Evolution of Library Instruction

Discovering the Facilitator Within
Your teachers...

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Our inspiration

Why we think this topic is important.

- Ashley’s 2016 WILU lightning talk
- Gap in library technician & library instruction literature
- Our passion for library instruction
Academic Library Technician

Education

Formal
- Lib Tech Diploma
- Education attained pre+post diploma
- Professional development

Informal
- Previous experiences
- Readings
- Interest groups

Considerations

Programs weighted to technology-based aspect of position.

Programs have a course on supervision or management, why not instruction?

Approach to reference help varies between public & academic libraries.
SFU Library: learning & instructional services

- **Who’s in L&I?**
  - Liaison Librarians (~10)
  - Library Assistants (3)
  - Reference Librarians (contract)

- **General instruction**
  - In collaboration with Teaching & Learning Librarian

- **Research help**
  - In person
  - Virtual
**General Instruction**

- **Teach**
- **Collaborate with Teaching & Learning Librarian on content**
- **Teach**
- **Repeat!**
How do you become a facilitator?

- Professional Development
- Peer Mentorship
- Just Do It!
- Informal Teaching
- Trial & Error
THANK YOU!

Questions?
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