

Kate Thornhill, UO Libraries

Kate Thornhill (she/her/hers) has worked at the University of Oregon Libraries since 2018 and teaches digital libraries and digitization for the University of Denver's Library and Information Science online master's degree program. In 2013, she received her master's degree in library and information science from Simmons University. Moreover, before joining the University of Oregon, she was an Interim Director of Special Collections and Digital Repository Librarian at Oregon Health and Science University and a Digital Scholarship Librarian at Lesley University College of Art & Design Library.

Kate is devoted to developing and sustaining a digital library and open digital humanities services as a hybrid between a librarian, archivist, and web technologist. Her specializations are in special collections and archives, open data and open cultural heritage, scholarly communications, and open educational resources.

At UO, Kate works extensively with other UO faculty to bring digital research and pedagogy methodologies and techniques to UO's research and classroom communities. This work ranges from contributing to Andrew W. Mellon and NEH-funded digital humanities grant initiatives, offering digital research consultations to support UO community members navigate knowledge production that centers digital stewardship ethics and practices, and developing in-person and online digital research skills building classroom lessons and workshops.

As one of UO's digital scholarship experts, Kate is positioned very well to be on the UO Senate as a library representative. Through the UO Libraries, she brings experience, connection, or involvement to advance several University priorities and initiatives connected to open data, digital humanities, open access, digital pedagogy, and online and in-person learning environments.