

Welcome New Staff at Galter Health Sciences Library!

Matt Baumann, MS, Developer



Please join us in a warm welcome to our new developer, Matt Baumann! Matt received an MS in Software Engineering from Loyola University in 2016 and just finished an MA in Medical Humanities and Bioethics here at Northwestern. For the past six years, he has been working as a full stack developer for the Applied Research Informatics Group within NUCATS. During his time at NUCATS, Matt managed [Competitions](#), an open-source tool to run NIH-style peer review of competitions, pilot projects and research proposals, and [I2B2](#) (Informatics for Integrating Biology and the Bedside).

Prior to his education in computer science, Matt pursued graduate work in classical archaeology and art history applying his background in research and cataloging to libraries, museums, and archeological excavations. Through these experiences, he worked with various information management systems and recognized a consistent disconnect in the way that information was communicated and the necessity for a layer of support in making complex research usable and accessible to the public. Matt is looking forward to the way that his role at Galter and the [NNLM National Evaluation Center \(NEC\)](#) positions him to utilize his skill set to enhance the accessibility, usability, and integrity of research.

Matt works in collaboration with our developers, library team, and the NEC to help build and implement evaluation resources and manage the NEC Data Warehouse. We are excited to have Matt's expertise and background that uniquely intersects with the work being done here at Galter and the NEC to provide support and improve access to biomedical information.

Brooke Strodder, Library Assistant



Please join us in welcoming Galter's new [Access Services](#) Library Assistant, Brooke Strodder! Brooke received a BA in Psychology from Northwestern University in 2019 and worked as a student library aide at the Evanston Campus. After graduation, she gained over three years of experience in access and engagement services at both public and academic libraries expanding her skill set in various library service platforms and interlibrary loan workflows and procedures.

Through her most recent work as a Patron Services Assistant at the Skokie Public Library, Brooke facilitated a welcoming environment to meet patrons at their point

of need. In the Spring of 2021, she earned a Library Technical Assistant Certificate from Wilbur Wright College researching the significant ways that libraries engage with and respond to their immediate communities. She values libraries as spaces dedicated to narrowing opportunity gaps and advocating for access to educational resources.

Brooke serves as a first point of contact to connect faculty, students, and staff to the resources they need and provides support on specific library projects from our Research and Information Services to our Special Collections Department. We are grateful to have Brooke on board and are excited about the way her expertise supports the work being done in Access Services to facilitate a welcoming environment committed to innovation and excellence.

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