

Cynthia Rain Keller
Curriculum Vitae as of January 2025
Rank of Teaching Professor since July 2024

EDUCATION

Indiana University Bloomington, IN
Master of Library Science 2011

Trinity University San Antonio, TX
Bachelor of Arts in Art History 2005

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Colorado Boulder, University Libraries Boulder, CO
Learning Coordinator, Learning & Engagement Team April 2017 – Present

- Head, Learning & Engagement Section, October 2024-Present
- Interim Section Lead (Learning & Engagement Section), January-June 2022
- Interim Ask A Librarian Apprenticeship Supervisor, January-June, 2022

Front Range Community College, College Hill Library Westminster, CO
Reference & Instruction Librarian (March 2013 – March 2017)

- Instruction Coordinator
- Supervisor, substitute reference librarians

Indiana University, Herman B Wells Library Bloomington, IN
Graduate Instruction Assistant (August 2010 – May 2011)

TEACHING & LIBRARIANSHIP

University of Colorado Boulder Boulder, CO
April 2017 - Present

- Fall 2025, FYXP 3000- Transfer Success Seminar (1 credit)
- Designed and taught information literacy instruction sessions including for WRTG 1100, WRTG 1150, WRTG 1250, and pre-collegiate courses such as Veterans Bridge and Upward Bound.
- Provided in depth consultations for students upon request and provided reference services.

- Fall 2021, 2020, led section of FYXP 1500 (1 credit).
- Buffs One Read
 - Chair of Selection Committee for 2023-2024 selection, 2024-2025 selection
 - Buffs One Read programming collaborator, 2022-present
- Member of following Working Groups and Teams:
 - Transfer Advocate Group, campus wide (2022-present)
 - E303 Classroom Remodel Owners Advisory Committee (Fall 2023-April 2024)
 - Instruction Working Group (2017-2020)
 - Outreach Group, coordinator (2017-2020)
 - Libraries Internal Data Working Group (2019-2020)
 - Student Library Advisory Board (2017-2018)

Front Range Community College, College Hill Library

Westminster, CO
March 2013-March 2017

- Designed and taught information literacy instruction sessions across all academic disciplines and technical programs, reaching an average of 50 classes a semester.

Museo de las Americas

Denver, CO
2007- July 2009, November 2011- March 2013

- Taught workshops, including a cultural, art and interactive component, for community groups and K-12 classes. Assisted with curriculum design (2011-2013)

Indiana University, Herman B Wells

Bloomington, IN
August 2010 – May 2011

- Designed and taught information literacy instruction sessions for level 1000-2000 courses and local AP students.

PUBLICATIONS

PEER REVIEWED

Roberts, L., **Keller, C.R.**, (2022) Welsh, M.E., Spark: Students describe curiosity and passion for learning. *portal: Libraries and the academy*, 22(2).

Roberts, L., Welsh, M. E., **Keller, C. R.**, & North, C. M. (2021). Memory, relationships, and spaces: Exploring transfer students' library journeys. *The Journal of Academic Librarianship*, 47(3).

Welsh, M., Roberts, L.M., and **Keller, C.R.** (2019). Meet, greet and eat: Creating community for transfer students through a library picnic. In N. Tran & S. Higgins (Eds.), *Supporting Today's Students in the Library: Strategies for Retaining and Graduating International, Transfer, First- Generation, and Re-Entry Students*. Chicago: ACRL Press. [Refereed]

IN PROGRESS:

Lewis, A., **Keller, C.**, and Hagerman, S. Incorporating Reflective Practices in the One-Shot Library Classroom. In Rodriguez, E. (Ed.), *Teaching the Whole Student: Compassionate Instruction in the Academic Library*. Association of College & Research Libraries. (In Press).

Keller, C., Rybin Koob, A., & Sinkinson, C.* Compassion and belonging: A common read experience. In Eslami, J. and Snapp, H. (Eds.), *Academic Libraries and the First Year Experience*. Association of College & Research Libraries, expected publication 2026 [Book chapter draft accepted] *Authors contributing equally.

NON-PEER REVIEWED

White paper, Roberts, L. **Keller, C. R.**, & Welsh, M. E. (2018). Response to academic futures draft: Valuing transfer student voices and experiences in campus decision making. Retrieved December 18, 2018 from https://www.colorado.edu/academicfutures/sites/default/files/attached-files/roberts_keller_welsh.pdf

PRESENTATIONS

INTERNATIONAL

Lewis, A., **Keller, C.** & Hagerman, S. (2023, May 16-May 19). *Click Every Link on the Website: Integrating Reflective Practices in the Classroom*. Workshop for Instruction in Library Use (WILU) Annual Conference.

NATIONAL

Keller, C.R. & Novosel, E. (2023, May 11-13). *Getting to Know You: Learning About Our Student Populations*. Library Instruction Exchange (LOEX) Annual Conference.

Flash Talk Lewis, A., **Keller, C.** & Hagerman, S. (2023, May 1). *Integrating Reflective Practices in the Classroom*. Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL) Instruction Section (IS) Lightning Round: Engaging Students in Library Instruction- Experimentation and Innovation Virtual Presentation.

Paper, Keller, C. R., Roberts, L., & Welsh, M. E. (2020). *Partnering with transfer students: Student voices on academic libraries and transitions to campus*. American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting, 17-21 Apr 2020. <http://tinyurl.com/ss9mudk> (equally co-authored)
[canceled due to the pandemic]

Poster session: Rain, C. & Johnson, M. (2011). *Research timelines as a pedagogical tool*, LOEX Annual Conference, Ft. Worth, TX, Jun 2011.

REGIONAL

Welsh, M., Roberts, L.M., & **Keller, C.R.** (2018) *Charting a course with transfer students*, Library Instruction West, Grand Junction CO, 19 July 2018.

STATE

Sinkinson, C, Welsh, M. and **Keller, C.R.** (2018). *The magic of outreach: Building relationships one student at a time*, Colorado Association of Libraries, Loveland CO, 14 September 2018.

Keller, C. R. & Gibb, K. (2015). *College students and recreational reading*, Colorado Association of Libraries, Loveland CO, 23 Oct. 2015

CAMPUS

Keller, C., Rybin Koob, A., & Sinkinson, C. “The Buffs One Read Program: Compassion in Action.” Poster at the Student Success Summit, University of Colorado Boulder, 2025, February 12th. [Poster presentation accepted, in draft]

Keller, C.R., Robberts, L.M., Welsh, M.E. (2020). Partnering with transfer students: Student voices on academic libraries and transitions to campus. University of Colorado Libraries Symposium, Thursday, February 27. (equally co-presented)

Keller, C.R., Roberts, L.M, & Welsh, M.E. (2017). Creating community for transfer students: The role of academic libraries. University of Colorado Boulder Libraries Symposium Series, November 1, 2017. (equally co-presented).

GRANTS

LIBRARIES

- Sinkinson, C., **Keller, C.**, & Welsh, M. E. (2021). “University Libraries Microgrant: CUnique

Stories.” University Libraries, University of Colorado Boulder. \$1,500. [Submitted November 2021, Funded December 2021]

ACADEMIC SERVICE

NATIONAL

Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)

- **Instruction Section**
 - ACRL/IS Information Literacy Best Practices Committee, member (July 2023-present)
 - ACRL/IS Nominating Committee, member (2022)
 - ILI-L (Information Literacy Instruction Discussion List) Administrator, September 2019- 2021
 - Communication Committee, July 2018- July 2019, secretary

REGIONAL

- **Colorado Academic Library Association**
 - Board member, Community College Representative, January 2017- December 2017

CAMPUS

- **University of Colorado, Boulder**
 - Transfer Success Committee, member, Fall 2018-Spring 2019, Fall 2021-Fall 2022
- **Front Range Community College**
 - Student Learning Committee, Information and Technology Literacy Outcome Mentor, August 2014-May 2016

LIBRARIES

- **University of Colorado Boulder, University Libraries**
 - Faculty Governance Group, member, January 2023-present.
 - Dean's Review Task Force, member, 2023 – February 2024
 - Primary Unit Evaluation Committee, Government Information and Civic Literacy Librarian, chair, June 2022
 - Awards & Committee, chair, January 2018-December 2020.
 - Primary Unit Evaluation Committee, Special Materials Cataloging Librarian, member, October 2020.
 - Search Committee, member, Government Information and Civic Literacy Librarian, December 2019-January 2020.
 - Faculty Personnel Committee, member, May 2018- December 2018
 - Search Committee, member, Processing Archivist, Fall 2018.

- Search Committee, member, Access and Discovery Librarian, Fall 2017

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Ad Hoc Peer Reviewer – The Reference Librarian (May 2018- present)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- National History Day Colorado Judge
- National History Day Boulder Valley Regional Contest, 2022
- Local Boulder Valley School District Judge, Monarch PK-8, 2018
- Boulder County Regional Judge, 2020, 2019, 2018
- Colorado State Judge, 2018
- Longmont Public Library Advisory Board, Chair, December 2018-July 2024

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Critical Information Literacy, Library Juice Academy, July 2024
- Inclusive Instructional Design, Library Juice Academy, May 2024
- Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods, Library Juice Academy, November 2- November 29, 2020
- Introduction to Library Program Development, Library Juice Academy, April 2020
- Mental Health First Aid, University of Colorado Boulder, January 6, 2020
- Inclusive Pedagogy Workshop, University of Colorado Boulder, June 12, 2019
- Informal Learning in the Academic Library, September 3-September 28, 2018
- Crucial Conversations, University of Colorado Boulder, December 4&6, 2017
- Information Literacy and Writing Studies, Library Juice Academy, September 5- October 14, 2017
- Backward Design for Information Literacy Instruction, Library Juice Academy, July 3rd-August 11th, 2017
- Universal Design for Libraries and Librarians, Library and Information Technology Association, May 15 -June 19, 2017

HONORS & AWARDS

- **University of Colorado Boulder, University Libraries** November 2017 and September 2019, Employee of the Month
- **Front Range Community College**, Spring 2017, College Hill Library recognized as Outstanding Department of the Year
- **Front Range Community College**, Roadmap to Achievement Leadership Institute, 2015 cohort

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Library Association, Association of College & Research Libraries, Colorado
Academic Library Association