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***Employment***

Systems & Digital Initiatives Librarian (October 2024 - Present)  
University of Colorado Law School, Boulder, Colorado

Technology & Web Services Librarian (September 2020 - September 2024)  
University of Colorado Law School, Boulder, Colorado

Discovery and Integrated Systems Librarian (July 2016 - August 2020)  
Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa

***Education***

**Masters of Science**, Library and Information Science (2016)  
Graduate School of Library and Information Science  
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois

**Bachelors of the Arts**, English and Creative Writing (2014)  
Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio

***Publications***

Academic

Ciota, R., & Hardesty, E. (January 2016). "Video Streaming in Academic Libraries: Enabling Participation in a Democratic Society." BOBCATSSS 2016. Lyon, France. January 27-29, 2016. In *BOBCATSSS LYON 2016: Proceedings & Abstracts* (pp. 403-407). Villeurbanne, France: ENSIBB.

Knight, R. C., Ciota, R., & Rodrigues, E. (2017). "Collaborating for metadata creation on digital projects: using Google Forms and Sheets." *Library Hi Tech News*.  
<https://doi.org/10.1108/LHTN-08-2017-0056>.

Ciota, R., Rodrigues, E., & Engel, K. (January 2019). "Grinnell Science Project: Motivating First Year Students to Persist in Scientific Inquiry." In S. Steiner & M. Rigby (Eds.), *Effective*

*Library Instruction: Inspiring Student Motivation*. Chicago, Illinois: ACRL Press.  
Peer-reviewed.

Ciota, R. (November 2019). "Alumni Oral Histories: A Collaboration Between the Libraries and Development and Alumni Relations." *Collaborative Librarianship*, 11. Peer-reviewed.

Knight, R.C., Rodrigues, E., & Ciota, R. (February 2020). "Facilitating Collaborative Metadata Creation for Faculty-initiated Digital Projects." *Journal of Library Metadata*.  
Peer-reviewed.

Ciota, R. & Knight, R.C. (2020). "The Challenges Facing Library Technical Services: A Dialogue." In *Technical Services: Adapting to the Changing Environment*. West Lafayette, Indiana: Purdue University Press. Peer-reviewed.

Ciota, R. & Barber, E. (2021). "A Pandemic at the Library: Lessons from COVID-19 About Technology Needs for Remote Working During a Crisis." In *Handbook of Research on Library Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic*. Hershey, Pennsylvania: IGI Global.  
Peer-reviewed.

Ciota, R., Sturgeon, J., & Suskin, B. (2022). "From Boo Radley to *My Cousin Vinny*: Popular Film in Academic Law Libraries and Legal Education." In *Integrating Pop Culture into the Academic Library*. Lanham, Maryland: Rowman & Littlefield.

Ciota, R. (2024). *Black alumni of the University of Colorado Law School* [dataset]. University of Colorado Law School.

### Popular

Ciota, R. (2025, Feb.). *A History of Black Students at the University of Colorado Law School, 1892 - 1968*, University of Colorado Law School, <https://www.colorado.edu/law/>.  
(forthcoming)

### Creative

Ciota, R. (2010). "How to catch a knight." *FLASHSHOT*.

Ciota, R. (2013). "Red numbers on polar curtains." *Catfish Creek*.

Ciota, R. (2015). "Giraffes are sociable, peaceful creatures." *Dirty Chai Magazine*, (Issue 8).

Ciota, R. (2015, June 1). "Rhino Horn is Not Medicine." *Citron Review*. Retrieved from <https://citronreview.com/2015/06/01/rhino-horn-is-not-medicine/>

Ciota, R. (2016, Mar 8). "The Bat Woman." *Words Apart Magazine*.

Ciota, R. (2019, Nov 24). "Too Blessed To Be Stressed." *Turnpike Magazine*, (Issue 8).

### ***Presentations***

#### International

Ciota, R. & Hardesty, E. "Video Streaming in Academic Libraries: Enabling Participation in a Democratic Society." BOBCATSSS 2016. Lyon, France. January 27-29, 2016. Poster Presentation.

Ciota, R. "The Library Graduate Assistantship: A Crucial Supplement to an LIS Education." Association for Library and Information Science Educators, Atlanta, Georgia. January 17, 2017. Poster Presentation.

Ciota, R. "A Pandemic at the Library: Lessons from COVID-19 About Technology Needs For Remote Working During a Crisis." Koc Universitesi Suna Kirac Library Virtual Poster Session, Istanbul, Turkey. June 10-12, 2020. Poster Presentation.

Seney, L., Ciota, R., and Dell, M. "The Buds in the Bouquet: The Experiences of a Small, Special Library in a Shared Tenant LSP." WOLFcon 2024, London, September 26, 2024.

#### National

Knight, R.C., Rodrigues, E. & Ciota, R. "Setting a Course: Using Google Forms for Navigating Metadata for Digital Projects." Association of College and Research Libraries National Conference, 2017, Baltimore, MD. Refereed, 35% acceptance rate. March 23, 2017. Poster Session.

Ciota, R. "The Digital Potential: Making Digital Objects More Than a TIFF image and a MODS Record." *Electronic Resources & Libraries (ER&L)* 2017. Austin, TX. April 2-5, 2017. Presentation.

Knight, R.C. & Ciota. "Metadata for Digital Scholarship." American Library Association Midwinter: Role of the Professional Librarian in Technical Services 2018. February 10, 2018. Presentation.

Ciota, R. & Knight, R.C. “Let’s Talk about Collections and Space.” American Library Association Midwinter: Association for Library Collections and Technical Services 2018. February 11, 2018. Presentation.

Ciota, R., McFate, M., & Rodrigues, L. “Digital Oral Histories.” Digital Library Federation 2018. October 16, 2018. Presentation.

Ciota, R. “Using Primo Analytics to Understand Patron Search Strategies.” ELUNA Annual Meeting 2020. May 7, 2020. Presentation. [Cancelled due to COVID-19]

Lawless-Collins, A., Robble, J., Spraker, C., Chapel, J., Ciota, R., Abdullah, A., & Evans, S.A. “Beyond Scholarship: Innovative Institutional Repository Collections.” AALL Annual Meeting 2021. July 20, 2021. Presentation.

Ciota, R., Sturgeon, J., & Suskin, B. “Gangsters, Goons, and Gambini: Using Popular Culture Films to Teach Legal Research.” Southwest Popular/American Culture Association Conference. February 26, 2022. Paper presentation.

Abdullah, A., Ciota, R., & Suskins, B. “All Aboard! Your "First-Class" Seat to the Annotated Laws: the Implications of Georgia v. Public.Resources.Org.” The Kraemer Copyright Conference 2023. June 13, 2023. Presentation.

Ciota, R. & Wherren, A.K. “Are Body Parts Consideration: The Validity of Contracts in *An Unkindness of Magicians*.” Southwest Popular/American Culture Association Summer Salon. June 20, 2024. Presentation.

### Regional

Ciota, R. “What We Wish We Knew Before We Migrated.” SUNYLA Midwinter Virtual Conference. February 1, 2019. Presentation.

Ciota, R. & Kalwara, J. “Law Technical Services Librarians as Teacher Librarians and Change Agents.” NELLCO Symposium 2024. March 22, 2024. Presentation.

Ciota, R. “Libraries as Entry Points to Justice.” Colorado Library Consortium Virtual Winter Workshop. Presentation. (Accepted.)

### **Grants**

Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust - Professional Development Grant, granted by Grinnell College, (June - December 2018).

Council on Library and Information Resources' Digitizing Hidden Special Collections and Archives, Finalist (March 2019).

Grinnell College Innovation Fund Grant, granted by Grinnell College (July 2020 - June 2021).

***Professional Service***

Web Administrator (November 2020 - July 2024)

Colorado Association of Law Librarians

Technology Oversight Committee (August 2023 - Present)

University of Colorado Law School

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Public Service Committee (August 2022 - May 2024)

University of Colorado Law School

FOLIO Reporting & Business Intelligence Guild (January 2024 - Present)

University of Colorado Boulder - Libraries

FOLIO Reporting Pod (September 2022 - August 2023)

University of Colorado Boulder - Libraries

FOLIO Discovery Pod (March 2021 - August 2023)

University of Colorado Boulder - Libraries

ALL-SIS Local Arrangements Committee (November 2021 - July 2022)

American Association of Law Librarians

Web Governance Committee (September 2017 - August 2020)

Grinnell College

IACUC (June 2018 - August 2020)

Grinnell College

Academic Conference: Co-organizer (January - October 2017)

2017 Iowa Library Association. Association of College and Research Libraries

***Professional Development***

California Rare Books School: History of the Book, 200-1820

Certificate of Completion, 2013

California Rare Books School: Rare Books for Scholars & Archivists  
Certificate of Completion, 2013

University of California Davis & Coursera: Geographic Information Systems (GIS)  
Specialization  
Certificate of Completion, 2018

ACM Fostering Humanistic Tools for Digital Mapping  
2019

Library Juice Academy: Legal Materials for Information Professionals  
Certificate of Completion, 2020