

From Student to Accessioning Archivist: Changing Roles and Responsibilities in a Changing Department



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INTRODUCTIONS

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About Special Collections

- Founded in 1961
- Collections:
 - Manuscripts and Archives Collections: 3,501
 - Photos – 131,505
 - Architectural Drawings – 1,110
 - Published Materials– 28,528
- 5 permanent full time faculty/staff, 1 part time, 1 project archivist



About Me

- 5th generation northern Nevadan
- Hired, March 2007
- BA in History, December 2010
- Letter of Appointment (LOA), January 2011
- Library Assistant/Library Technician, August 2012
- MLIS at San Jose State University, January 2013-December 2015
- Pixar Archive Intern, June-July 2015
- Accessioning Archivist, October 2017



Ch-ch-ch-ch-changes!!

- New Director of SCUA
 - Accessioning Archivist
 - New workflows
- Retirement of University Archivist
- Director of SCUA leaves
- Digital Archivist
- New systems
 - Islandora
 - ArchivesSpace
 - Archivematica



What I've Learned

- From graduate school
 - Take classes in metadata and born digital records
 - Internships are important
 - Join local and national organizations
- As a professional
 - Change can be scary
 - Be patient, be prepared
 - Keep reading!
 - Colleague meetups



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