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Three New Fellows Selected for NCSU Libraries' Program

The NCSU Libraries welcomes three new Fellows into its two-year Fellowship Program: **Steven McCann** starts work on July 1, 2003; **Michele Shular** starts July 14; and **Bonnie Tijerina** starts July 1.

The NCSU Libraries Fellows Program, focused on developing future leaders in science, engineering, digital librarianship, and library management and administration, continues to attract a diverse and impressive group of talented new graduates. Fellows are appointed to the rank of librarian, and combine their work on an innovative project with a half-time assignment in a home department.

Fellow Steve McCann's leadership experience and his impressive background in digital librarianship provide an ideal match for his home department, Digital Library Initiatives. McCann's project assignment, in Research and Information



[Left to right] Bonnie Tijerina, Steven McCann, and Michelle Shular, NCSU Libraries Fellows.



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Services, affords him a unique opportunity to assess and evaluate library instruction. His project will focus on a review of current initiatives, the evaluation procedures and instruments in use, and the development of a plan to measure the effectiveness of library instruction at NC State.

McCann has worked in a variety of organizations, ranging from nonprofit to Internet companies, including Amazon.com. McCann's most recent position was usability specialist/research assistant with the University of Washington Libraries Systems Department. Past positions include metadata specialist/research assistant with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and database analyst with Energy Newsdata. His fieldwork involved participating in a digital library project cataloging and presenting historic illustrations of the Northwest and providing reference service for the Seattle Public Library.

McCann received an M.L.I.S. from the University of Washington in May 2003. He earned his B.A. in literature from Montana State University.

Fellow Michele Shular, who has experience in geographic information systems and an academic background in earth science and physical geography, has the Natural Resources Library as her home department. For her project assignment, she will help develop a searchable database of geospatial metadata. Coordinating with Data Services and with Digital Library Initiatives, Shular will assess database interfaces and work with Cataloging on the integration and transfer of data in the catalog. She previously worked in the Department of Geography's Map Library at the University of Western Ontario (UWO). In 2002 she completed an internship as data services librarian assistant in the Data Resources Library at UWO.



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Shular graduated with an M.L.I.S. from UWO in June 2003. She earned her B.S., Combined Honors degree, in earth science and physical geography from Brock University.

Fellow Bonnie Tijerina's project focuses on the creation of a "Business One-Stop Resource Center" geared toward the information needs of the College of Management. She will collaborate with collection managers, distance learning librarians, faculty, and students in the design and development of this resource. Her home department will be Collection Management. Tijerina, who completed practicum assignments this spring in reference and bibliographic instruction, served as library assistant for the Ethnic Studies Collection, College Library at University of Wisconsin-Madison (UW-Madison), acting as liaison with the Multicultural Student Center. Her review of *Diversity Now: People, Collections & Services in*

Academic Libraries was published in the *Journal of Academic Librarianship* in February.

Tijerina received an M.A. in library and information studies from UW-Madison in May 2003. She earned a B.A. in religious studies from Lawrence University. She is the recipient of several awards, including the Estelle Ray Reid Scholarship for the study of librarianship, Lawrence University. Tijerina's volunteer work includes serving as a grant and library researcher for First Nation's Orphan Association, a group dedicated to meeting the post-adoption needs of Native Americans.

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