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# ALUMNI MEETINGS

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## LEEP Theological Librarianship

*Carisse Berryhill, Abilene Christian University*

### MEMBERS PRESENT (WITH YEAR ENROLLED)

- Carisse Berryhill, Abilene Christian University, Instructor
- Marian Ekweogwu, University of Illinois (2020)
- Sharon Gardoski, Clark's Summit University (2020)
- Becky Givens, Covenant Theological Seminary (2017)
- Steve Jamieson, Covenant Theological Seminary (2005)
- John Shaffett, Shorter University (2006)
- Daniel Smith, Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary (2018)
- Lee Webb, Oklahoma City University (2007)
- Patsy Yang, Gateway Seminary (Los Angeles) (2005)

### SUMMARY

Eight alumni of the Atla-sponsored course LIS 568 LE, Theological Librarianship, in the LEEP program at the University of Illinois / Urbana-Champaign, met with Dr. Berryhill, their former instructor, during a Zoom session on June 25, 2020, from noon to 1 p.m. After introductions, Dr. Berryhill mentioned the recent redevelopment of accreditation standards by the Association of Theological Schools in the United States and Canada. Participants reflected on their professional paths since taking the course, on their experience at Atla Annual 2020, including its diversity, and on features of the course which they had appreciated, such as its opening ritual of silent gathering and favorite guest speakers. The group suggested that David Stewart's *The Literature of Theology* might be updated as a LibGuide hosted by Atla as a class project.

## YEAR IN REVIEW

Theological Librarianship has been offered every academic year at the iSchool at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign since 2005. In its fifteen years, the Atla-sponsored course has enrolled more than 200 students, with an average class size of 13. The Spring 2020 class enrolled nine students. Two members of the 2020 class and two members of the first class in 2005 were at this meeting.



2019–20 ATTENDEES: [pictured, left to right] Carisse Berryhill, Becky Givens, Daniel Smith, Lee Webb, Sharon Gardoski, John Shaffett, Steve Jamieson, Patsy Yang, Marian Ekweogu