



# SLAV MASTERCLASS SERIES 2021

**Orientation**  
**Thursday September 9**  
**Online**  
**10am to 12 Noon**

This masterclass will engage with how we create engaging and effective programs that enable our students, staff and the wider community to get the best out of our library programs, services and collections. We will consider best practice examples that explore how we engage, educate and inspire our community so that they have the best experience possible.

## Speakers

### **Holistic Programming at the University of Melbourne** **Tom Hyde and Dr Natasha Story**

The University of Melbourne's Orientation program is a cornerstone of the student experience, and a fundamental moment for welcoming new students into the university community. As coordinators of the Library's Orientation program, Tom Hyde and Natasha Story will speak about the experience of delivering a holistic program for a diverse range of students that is grounded in the key principles of student engagement. A central challenge is to align with university colleagues to ensure consistency of messaging and experience, while delivering a positive first encounter for students with the library that integrates with broader Learning and Teaching and research programs.

### **Tom Hyde, Senior Librarian (Student Digital Capabilities)**

With a background in learning and teaching, and a keen interest in student engagement in face-to-face, online and blended learning environments, Tom has participated in and helped coordinate the library's student orientation program over many of the years he has been with the University of Melbourne.

**Dr Natasha Story** is Senior Librarian, Library Services and Spaces, managing the Architecture, Building and Planning Library and the Southbank Library at the University of Melbourne. Natasha's first-hand experience as an undergraduate and graduate student at the University informs her involvement in the Library's Orientation program, which she has helped coordinate over a number of years.

## **Orientation, advocacy (like a ninja), and wellbeing – LTC Library-style**

### **Lori Korodaj**

Lori's session will cover LTC Library delivery of orientation to Year 11 students, while taking into consideration competing pressures for senior secondary students of time and curriculum at the start of a school year. She will also discuss how new staff and pre-service teachers are given half hour library orientation/resourcing sessions as they start at LTC, and how this appointment is used as an opportunity for school library advocacy – with surprising results! Wellbeing aspects of orientation for staff and students will be shared as well.

**Lori Korodaj** is a teacher librarian with almost 30 years' experience in Australia and overseas, in school (K–12) and public libraries. Lori is currently working as a teacher librarian at Lake Tuggeranong College, ACT (Years 11–12) and as an Adjunct Lecturer in the School of Information Studies at Charles Sturt University. Professional passions: providing professional learning to colleagues, advocacy for the importance of teacher librarians in schools, and mentoring up and coming teacher librarians.

## **Establishing Connections**

### **Joy Whiteside**

A library orientation is about establishing a connection between new members of the learning community and the library resources, print and digital. It is essential for students and staff members: It is their welcome and induction. In this session Joy Whiteside, Library Manager at St Joseph's College Geelong, will discuss her orientation sessions and resources for students and staff.

**Joy Whiteside** is a teacher librarian and Library Manager at St Joseph's College in Geelong, an EREA secondary college for 1830 boys. She is an experienced and passionate educator and focuses on leading the library team to develop exemplary print and digital collections and services to facilitate and improve student learning. Joy is an active member of the

School Library Association of Victoria, (SLAV), is the Convenor of the Geelong branch, and the co-ordinator of the SLAV Mentor / Mentee program. She regularly presents at conferences and SLAV branch meetings and writes for the SLAV journal *FYI*. Joy was awarded the SLAV John Ward award in 2011, the SLAV Innovators award in 2018, and has completed a M.Ed, and a M.Ed. in Teacher Librarianship during her professional learning journey.

## **Orientation Roadmap**

### **Camilla Elliott**

Orientation is an important process in being introduced as a new member of any organisation. Regardless of being a teacher or a student, it can be an overwhelming experience as one finds their way around with the urgency of having to get started on the job at hand. It doesn't have to be that way. In this session Camilla will explore how it's possible to utilise the school learning management system to make orientation a more fruitful, relaxed experience. By conducting orientation as a 'roadmap' to the library programs and resources, and the learning infrastructure, you enable new students and teachers to find their way; revisit important points of reference as needed and gradually build their knowledge of the organisation. Orientation is an ongoing process and an exploration that creates clarity as one settles into the school. The Head of Library is an important stakeholder in the school orientation process.

**Camilla Elliott** is Head of Library and Digital Learning Resourcing at Mazenod College, Mulgrave, Vic. She is Chair of the School Library Association of Victoria Professional Learning Committee, a member of *Synergy* editorial committee and a recipient of the Association's John Ward Award in recognition of her contribution to the school library profession. Camilla is an advocate for the Learning Commons model of school libraries and is an active networker in the international learning community having a passion for authentic learning and information literate outcomes for students. Her combined role of library and digital learning places her in a unique position within the school. Camilla may be contacted at [www.linkingforlearning.com](http://www.linkingforlearning.com) or on Twitter @camillaelliott

## **Registration**

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