MY “ALT-AC” PATH

“When have we not preferred some going round to straight to where we are?” ~ W.H. Auden

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Turning Ph.D.'s into Librarians

By MARY DILLON JOHNSON

A new fellowship program opens an alternate route to careers in academic libraries
Last spring, the Yale University Library and my office of graduate-career services sponsored a symposium, "How To Do Things With Books: Academic Careers in University Libraries." With modest expectations for attendance, we were all stunned by the overflow crowd that came from Yale as well as from universities and libraries in New York and Boston on a rainy Friday afternoon.

In a field that isn't widely known for excitement, some very exciting developments are under way. Indeed this may be a good moment for you to think about academic librarianship not as a backup but as a first-choice career.
My positions in libraries have only ever been new: post-doc, program manager, digital collections curator, digital content strategist, co-lead of Publishing and Curation Services.
What’s the opposite of a map?
“Implicit in this role of [digital collections curator] is the need to make things up as you go along, basing the approach in a strong understanding of the scholarly community to be served.”

~ Mike Furlough, in “Digital Curation and E-Publishing: Libraries Make the Connection” (2009 Charleston Conference)
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