

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023



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This has been a year of transition. In December 2022, after 36 years at the HSHSL, M.J. Tooley, former associate vice provost and dean of the HSHSL, retired. In January 2023, I stepped in as interim AVP and dean while UMB conducted a national search. This has been an exciting time for me as I was presented with opportunities to collaborate with new colleagues and partners. I especially value the relationships I have developed throughout my tenure.

In the next chapter, we will be welcoming Emily Hurst, the new associate vice provost and dean of the HSHSL. I look forward to the HSHSL building on its current successes and strengths as we advance the vision of new leadership.

The HSHSL has had a productive year, with faculty librarians and staff continuing with their excellent work and taking on big projects as well, including the expansion of study space on the third floor. This report includes just some of the HSHSL's accomplishments from FY23.

## CREATING STUDENT STUDY SPACE

*Adding value to the student experience*

After purchasing more than 1,000 digitized older journals over several years, the HSHSL was able to remove 34,000 print volumes. This provided the opportunity to design additional study space. The project involved removing print journals, shifting the collection, pulling up shelving, and installing carpeting. The project team made sure to get student input on furniture preferences before designing the layout. The new study area includes individual study pods, diner-style banquettes, computer tables with monitors, and new tables in the study rooms. The new area is light-filled and comfortable – a destination study space for students.



Third Floor Study Space

# 34,950

**Student Entries into HSHSL**  
Spring Semester 2023

# 96

**Hours Library Is Open per Week**  
Supporting student study

# 3,132

**Study Room Reservations**  
Booked by students

# RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND DATA

*Advancing UMB's educational, research, and clinical missions by creating learning experiences and providing expert research support*

## Research and Education

As collaborators on research teams, faculty librarians co-authored 15 published systematic, scoping, and other review papers with UMB faculty and staff. They provided expertise in literature searching and review methods for more than 50 comprehensive review projects, demonstrating the significant value faculty librarians bring to UMB scholarship.

UMB students, faculty, and staff derive academic and professional benefits from the learning and consultation services offered by the HSHSL. In the past year, faculty librarians conducted classes and delivered individual consultations, equipping current and future health and human services professionals for excellence in obtaining high-quality information for scholarship, clinical decision-making, and patient education.

## Data Initiatives

Beginning in January 2023, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) began requiring investigators to submit a Data Management and Sharing Plan as part of their funding applications. To promote compliance with NIH's new initiative to make research data more open, faculty librarians provided workshops and one-on-one support to researchers and administrators.

The HSHSL also supported this initiative by continuing to support institutional membership in repositories like [Open Science Framework](#) and [Qualitative Data Repository](#), and through ongoing development of the [UMB Data Catalog](#).

To help foster a data-ready workforce, faculty librarians developed a series of R programming workshops for the campus community.

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### Systematic and Scoping Reviews

Finding the evidence to  
improve health

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2,901

### Library Class Attendees

Gaining skills to succeed

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429

### Research Consultations

Individual support for  
research and learning

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89

### Promotion and Tenure Reports

Measuring the impact of  
faculty publications

## INFORMATION SERVICES

*Providing services to advance UMB's educational, research, and clinical missions*

# 4,500

### Reference Questions Answered

In-person and online research assistance

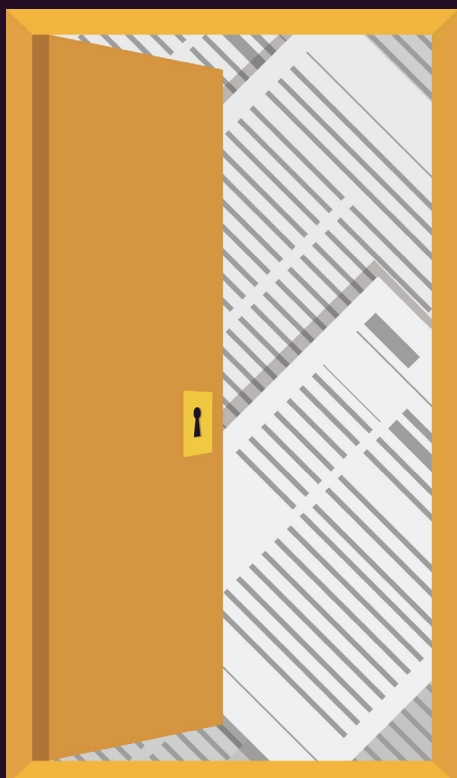
# 1,459

### Research Posters Printed

A convenient service supporting conference presentations



A member of the Information Services team hands a poster to a student.



## ACCESS TO SCHOLARLY RESOURCES

*Providing information resources to support education, research, clinical care, and innovation*

HSLS's e-journal subscriptions allowed UMB faculty, students, and staff to download 1,127,282 articles for research, education, and clinical care. Additionally, 10,224 articles/book chapters either obtained from other libraries or scanned from the HSLS print collection were successfully delivered to the campus community.

Through the **UMB Digital Archive**, the HSLS provides access to dissertations, conference presentations, academic posters, and much more. In FY23, 475,768 documents were downloaded from the database from within the United States and internationally. The **UMB Data Catalog**, used for locating datasets created or used by UMB researchers, had 5,279 views. Both of these databases promote sharing of the work of UMB.



## HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

*Preserving and showcasing UMB's contributions to the history of health sciences and human services*

**Historical Collections** continued to improve access to its collections by digitizing and uploading materials to the UMB Digital Archive, including 24 hand-written volumes of lecture notes (1827-1889), four Baltimore College of Dental Surgery photo albums (1883-1916), and the 1936 Scrapbook of Margaret Rose, SON Class of 1936.

The 2023 HSHSL Calendar, "Fatal Beauty," featured a selection of stunning botanical plates from volumes in the HSHSL's Historical Pharmacy Collection. The calendar showcased botanicals that, if used improperly, can be deadly.



From the Pharmacy Historical Collection at the HSHSL:  
Curtis, William. The Botanical Magazine or Flower-Garden Displayed.  
Vol. 13. 1799. Plate No. 433.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

*Initiating projects that give back to the community, working with partners to achieve goals*



The **Vaccine Clinic held at the HSHSL** vaccinated over 200 UMB students, faculty, and staff. Project partners were the School of Pharmacy and Walgreens.

**Book It Forward** collected more than 900 books to help Baltimore youth discover the joys of reading.

**HSHSL's Warm-Up Tree Drive** collected 118 hats, mittens, and gloves, which were distributed by our partner, UMB's Community Engagement Center.

A **Personal Care Products Drive** collected 320 items, benefitting Baltimore veterans in need. Project partner was the Maryland Center for Veterans Education and Training (MCVET).

M.J. Tooley, former associate vice provost and dean of the HSHSL, getting her vaccine at the clinic.

# CULTURAL ENGAGEMENT

*Advancing UMB's culture, engagement, and belonging through creative programming*

The [Frieda O. Weise Gallery](#) hosted five exhibits:

## **Transcending Reality**

Carol Carpenter's fine art exhibit in collaboration with UMB's Medical Alumni Association and UMB's Council for the Arts & Culture.

## **Color Me Happy**

An interactive coloring wall encouraging students to color for stress relief.

## **Seasons Greenery**

Seasonal botanicals from the Historical Collections.

## **Drawing Blood: Anatomical Depictions of the Heart**

Highlighting four centuries of anatomical drawings from the Historical Collections.

## **The World of Color: An Exploration in Color Theory**

A collaborative exhibit with a school in HSHSL's Baltimore neighborhood.



Carol Carpenter's "Spectrum"

**"Coded Bias" Documentary Film Viewing and Discussion.** The UMB community participated in lively discussions about the film and about causes and effects of bias in AI, concerns about privacy and technology, and possible paths forward.

## Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM)

*Advancing the progress of medicine and improving the public health through community partnerships and collaboration*

The HSHSL has a 5-year, 9.5 million dollar cooperative agreement with NIH's National Library of Medicine (NLM) to serve as the Regional Medical Library (RML) for the Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM), Region 1. The RML serves as an outreach and education arm for the NLM.

In FY23, [NNLM RML Region 1](#) provided funding to 17 organizations for projects throughout the Mid-Atlantic region. These included the development of telehealth kiosks in rural public libraries and using AI to investigate chronic kidney disease. Region 1 also offered 62 trainings with over 3,200 participants on topics such as environmental health and justice, telehealth, and inclusion and accessibility in the data age.

The HSHSL also has a cooperative agreement to serve as the NNLM Web Services Office, which hosts and develops the web sites and platforms for the national network and for the NNLM All of Us Program Center.



## GIFTS TO THE LIBRARY

### M.J. Tooley and Ronald Huffman

M.J. Tooley, retired dean and associate vice provost, library faculty emerita, HSHSL, established the Tooley/ Huffman Professional Development Endowment for Library Faculty and Staff. After 36 years as a leader at the HSHSL, M.J. recognizes that continuous learning is crucial for organizational success. M.J. and her husband Ron's generous endowment provides support for learning opportunities in the dynamic world of libraries.

### William and Dolores Kinnard

Dr. William J. Kinnard Jr., PhD, former dean and professor of the University of Maryland School of Pharmacy, passed away in February 2023. Dr. Kinnard was a great advocate for the Library. Beginning in 2007, he and his wife Dolores donated funds annually to establish and support the HSHSL's leisure reading collection. The Kinnards continue their support with a generous gift from the Kinnard Trust to fulfill the pledge to the William and Dolores Kinnard Leisure Reading Endowment.

### Carol Carpenter

Artist Carol Carpenter's exhibit, "Transcending Reality," was one of the finest the Library has hosted since the Frieda O. Weise Gallery opened in 2003. Ms. Carpenter generously donated a beautiful painting, "Spectrum," to the Library's permanent collection. It now hangs in the Library's newly renovated third floor. In another act of generosity, Carol donated proceeds from sales of her artwork to the Library.



## UMB CORE VALUES

RESPECT *and* INTEGRITY

WELL-BEING *and* SUSTAINABILITY

EQUITY *and* JUSTICE

INNOVATION *and* DISCOVERY