2017 LAS LIBRARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

NOVERINDA BELLA RATMELIA

Noverinda Bella Ratmelia joined Nanyang Technological University (NTU) Libraries as a full time para-professional while studying part-time for her bachelor degree in Information Technology from the University of Wollongong, Australia. After receiving her degree in 2015, she was offered the position of Assistant Librarian at NTU Libraries. She is now completing her MSc in Information Studies at the Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information in NTU.

Bella started her career at NTU Libraries as a key member for the campus wide blog service on WordPress which houses some 300 blog projects in 4 key areas - Academic & Research, Administrative, Course & Teaching, and Library blogs. She played a major role in the administration of the WordPress platform, research project consultation, training of undergraduates, project officers and faculty, and designing training materials and guides. In her work, Bella made significant contributions to many projects that serve the diverse needs of the university community. In her new role on the Advisory and Consultation Team since December 2017, Bella continues to exemplify a spirit of initiative, drive, and collaboration and strives to learn and acquire new skills on her own accord.

Bella was also involved in conducting a workshop for IFLA delegates in 2013 and organising the WordCamp Conference in 2016 and 2017. In addition, she volunteered in the 2016 LAS Annual Conference "Libraries for the Future" as a member of the IT Committee. She continues to volunteer on the LAS Website/IT Committee.

Both inside and outside of the NTU Libraries, Bella has demonstrated her passion for the information profession and a desire and capacity to acquire new skills. In her MSc in Information Studies, Bella's supervisor highlighted her motivation, aptitude, analytical and communication skills in her course work and success in interacting with team members in the programme.

In recognition of her accomplishments to date and her potential for making significant contributions to librarianship in the years ahead, it is a privilege to award Noverinda Bella Ratmelia with the 2017 LAS Library School Scholarship.



Samantha Ang, President Library Association of Singapore 26 May 2018