

## **2018 LAS OUTSTANDING NEWCOMER AWARD**

### **DONG DANPING**

Dong Danping obtained her Master of Science in Information Studies from Nanyang Technological University in May 2015. She joined SMU Libraries in April 2016 as Librarian for Scholarly Communication. She was tasked with building the research data services, assisting with the SMU research information system, institutional repository, and citation metrics.

Danping has been playing a lead role in the project to implement a new research data repository for SMU since her arrival. She collaborated with the SMU Office of Research and Tech Transfer team in the development of the research data management policy. She investigated other universities' research data management practices as well as journal policies for research data. She has created new training workshops for research data management targeted at students. She has been able to build her knowledge and experience and contribute to SMU's new strategic initiative in a new area whilst helping advance new roles for librarians in Singapore.

Danping has been an active member of the Engagement Team of SMU which is a group of new professionals at SMU Libraries created with the aim of equipping them with library-wide experience, knowledge and vision in order to prepare them for future roles in the profession. As a member of the ET team, Danping participated in activities such as being a member of the planning team for the New Professionals seminar held in collaboration with LAS in August 2018.

Danping also came up with new workshop topics for library users, tried out gamification for information literacy by using new tools to make her workshops interactive, and experimented with a game to teach concepts in scholarly communication.

Before joining SMU, she worked at SUTD Library as Associate Librarian from August 2013 to March 2016. She led the implementation and use of LibGuides at SUTD and was involved in innovative projects such as smart RFID shelves and the Idea Room.

Danping has been an active member of LAS and a member of the Training & Development Committee since October 2017. She also volunteered for the 2016 Smart Libraries for Tomorrow Conference Organizing Committee.

The Library Association of Singapore is pleased to honour Dong Danping with the 2018 LAS Outstanding Newcomer Award.



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