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QUALIFICATIONS

Degree	University/Institution
Master of Arts in Information and Library Studies	Aberystwyth University, Wales, United Kingdom

OTHER LIBRARY ACTIVITIES

Member – Medical Sciences Library Website Team (2019-2024)
Participant – Library Futuring Exercise held by Human Resources (2022)

HONOURS & AWARDS

- Excellence Award (2024) - Awarded by the Library Association of Trinidad Tobago (LATT) for Contributing to the Field of Library and Information Services in Trinidad and Tobago.
- Certificate of Excellence (2022) - Awarded for the participation at the Research Posters Caribbean Boulevard at the ACURIL Conference in Curacao.
- Scholarship (2021) - Awarded by the Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago (LATT) to attend first virtual IFLA World Library and Information Congress.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2023–2024 Enrolled in UWI Campus Mentorship Programme

Training
Cataloguing
2018	RDA (Webinar), OCLC, USA
2019	MARC Record (Webinar), OCLC, USA
2024	Electronic Resources (Webinar) OCLC, USA

- Metadata schema such as MARC, RDA, and Dublin Core etc.

- Familiarity with citation management styles and software.

<u>Library Technologies</u>

2023   <u>Artificial Intelligence (AI)</u> The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Mona, Jamaica.

2024   <u>Ethical and Productive: Considering Generative Artificial Intelligence.</u> ACRL USA

2024   <u>Open Access and Artificial Intelligence ACRL, USA.</u>

CONFERENCES ATTENDED

2025   The Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 8–12 June 2025, Willemstad, Curacao.

2024   The Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 12–16 May 2024, Georgetown, Guyana.

2023   The Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 4–8 June 2023, Kingston, Jamaica.

2022   The Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 5–9 June 2022, Willemstad, Curacao.

2020   The Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Virtual Conference, 16-19 November 2020, Nassau, Bahamas.

2019   The Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 2-6 June 2019, Oranjestad, Aruba.

2019   Attendance at the Faculty of Medical Sciences Research Day on *"Equity and Equality in Health"* 21 March 2019, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Trinidad.

2018   The Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 3-7 June 2018, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

2017   The Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 4-8 June 2017, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

2015   The 14th Annual Association of Caribbean Higher Education Administrators (ACHEA) Conference, 9-15 July 2015, Teaching & Learning Centre, The University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus.

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

(i) Publications

In Refereed Journal (Forthcoming)

Ganessingh, Ray and Randy Siew. "Preparing Next-Generation Space Initiatives for Caribbean Academic Libraries" to be submitted in October 2025 to peer-reviewed journal

Refereed Publications
a. In Refereed Journal

Alleyne-Cumberbatch, Ayaana, Beverly Adams-Baptiste, and Ray Ganessingh.2021. "BIREME's MedCarib Database: Surviving the Challenges Experienced in Trinidad and Tobago. *Caribbean Library Journal* 6: 64-79. https://journals.sta.uwi.edu/clj/papers/vol6/6_Caribbean-Library-Journal_Vol-6_Article-5_Cumberbatch-A_Adams-Baptiste-B_Ganessingh-R_p_64-79.pdf.

Ganessingh, Ray. "Using Comics and Graphic Novels to Promote Literacy in Libraries." BIBLIO Newsletter of the Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago, May 2025

Non-Refereed

Ganessingh, Ray. "Using Comics and Graphic Novels to Promote Literacy in Libraries." BIBLIO Newsletter of the Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago, May 2025

Ganessingh, Ray (2024). "Success Factors for Librarians in Collaborative Project Management Delivery." BIBLIO Newsletter, Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago, Issue 2, 2024, p. 11-12. https://heyzine.com/flip-book/5743b6b6f2.html .

Ganessingh, Ray (2024). "Reflections on the ACURIL Conference 2024: Embracing Fresh New Ways to Improve Libraries." BIBLIO Newsletter, Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago, Issue 2, 2024, p. 10. https://heyzine.com/flip-book/5743b6b6f2.html

Ganessingh, Ray (2024). "Mobile Based Library Services: Transitioning Caribbean Libraries." BIBLIO Newsletter, Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago, Issue 1, 2024.

Ganessingh, Ray (2023) "Unlocking Mentoring: Supporting Co-workers' Through Professional Experience and Workplace Knowledge Can Be the Key." BIBLIO Special Edition Newsletter of the Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago.

(ii) Other Scholarly Publications (Dissertation)

Ganessingh, Ray. 2016. "Training Plan for Library Assistants in the 21st Century. Academic Library." Order No.10632480, Aberystwyth University (United Kingdom).

(iii)   Papers Presented

a. Conference/Seminars/Workshop Presentations

Ganessingh, Ray. 2023. "Change Management and Building Resilience in Caribbean. Libraries." In *Access. Revista Puertorriqueña De Bibliotecología Y Documentación -Proceedings of the* 51st Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional   Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, Curacao Marriott Beach Resort, Curaçao *5-9 June 2022*, 21. Puerto Rico. https://revistas.upr.edu/index.php/acceso/article/view/20635

b. Posters Presentations

Ganessingh, Ray and Randy Siew. "The Role of Digital Humanities Labs in Academic Research and Interdisciplinary Collaboration." Poster to be presented at the 54th Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 8th-12th June 2025, Willemstad, Curacao.

Ganessingh, Ray. "Revealing the Past and Present: Bringing Collections to Life through Online Exhibitions in University Libraries." Poster to be presented at the 54th Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 8th-12th June 2025, Willemstad, Curacao.

Ganessingh, Ray. "Perceptions of New Roles for Libraries and Librarians in Big Data Adoption" Poster presented at the 53rd Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference 12-16 May, 2024 Georgetown, Guyana.

Ganessingh, Ray, Dihanne Saul and Delise Thomas. "Big Data Security and Privacy in Libraries: An Overview of Protecting Against Cyber Attacks." Poster presented at the 53rd Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference 12 -16 May,2024 Georgetown, Guyana.

Ganessingh, Ray and Aleesha Benny. "Envisioning Next Generation Space Initiatives and Library Technologies in the Fourth Industrial Revolution." Poster powerpoint presented at the 52nd Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference 4-8 June 2023, Kingston, Jamaica.

Ganessingh, Ray "Capturing the Value of Design Thinking to our Profession as Librarians." Poster presented at the 50th Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 7-11 June 2020, Nassau, Bahamas.

Ganessingh, Ray and Aleesha Benny "Demystifying Design Thinking in an Academic Library." Poster presented at the 50th Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional. Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 7-11 June 2020, Nassau, Bahamas.

Alleyne-Cumberbatch Ayaana, Ray Ganessingh, Beverly Adams-Baptiste, "The Green Library

Model for Sustainability: Toward New Horizons in Higher Education at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus Libraries." Poster presented at the 49th Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 2-6 June 2019, Oranjestad, Aruba.

Alleyne-Cumberbatch Ayaana, Beverly Adams-Baptiste, and Ray Ganessingh, "Creating an Income–Generating Culture for Sustainability at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine Campus Libraries." Poster presented at the 49th Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries (ACURIL) Conference, 2-6 June 2019, Oranjestad, Aruba.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES
(1) LATT – Library Association of Trinidad and Tobago
(2) ACURIL – Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries
(3) ALA – American Library Association

LIST OF RESEARCH ACTIVITIES
(1) Space Planning in libraries in Trinidad and Tobago: My research entails examining next generation user needs for library spaces.
(2) Continuing professional development for librarians – My research entails identifying opportunities for growth including mentorship and succession planning in the library profession in Trinidad and Tobago.
(3) Income generating activities within the St. Augustine, Campus Libraries.
(4) Delivering added value to services and products for our user communities.