

2014 Florida Library Association Awards

The Florida Library Association (FLA) awarded five scholarships to outstanding students to continue their course of study in the field of Library and Information Sciences. The scholarships were presented during the annual conference held May 7-9, 2014 at the Lake Buena Vista Palace Hotel. In addition to the Scholars pictured below, The 2014 Minority Scholarship recipient was Christopher Jordan recognized for his commitment to service and education. His references highlighted his reliability, intelligence, work ethic, and can-do attitude. And the second Coutts Ingram Scholarship recipient was Kathleen Klepfer. She is currently a Research Assistant at the FSU College of Law Research Center. She hopes to combine her degrees in law and librarianship to serve as a “bridge” between the two disciplines in serving students and faculty.



2014 FSU Scholarship

Janet DeVries was previously a recipient of the FLA Undergraduate Scholarship and earned her Bachelor's Degree in history. As an employee of Palm Beach State College, she is eager to continue her studies in academic librarianship. Janet has been “hooked” on libraries since first grade and is already a published author of several Florida histories. Her references emphasized many outstanding qualities and talents.

2014 Bernadette Storck - USF Scholarship.

Robert Fernandez currently works as a Learning Resources Technician at Hillsborough Community College in Plant City. He wrote that libraries have been a constant in his life and finds it both “challenging and stimulating” to help patrons find whatever it is they need. He is a frequent Wikipedia contributor on a range of Florida and library-related topics and his references stated that Mr. Fernandez would “make a difference in the library world”.



Ingram Coutts Academic Scholarship

Awarded for the first time in 2014, the Ingram Coutts Academic Scholarships was given to Shawn Norton. Shawn is currently a circulation manager at the University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences. His References commended his academic efforts and his enormous potential as a library professional. In his work and volunteer activities, Shawn is known as the kind of person who goes above and beyond what would normally be expected, demonstrating initiative and leadership.

