

Professional Preparation

University of Arizona	Tucson, AZ	Library Science	MLS, 1976
University of California	Los Angeles, CA	English	B.A. 1975

2016 – Present	M.J. Gómez Associates, LLC – Library & Nonprofit Consulting
2012 – 2016	Vice Dean, University of Southern California Libraries
2009 – 2012	General Manager & City Librarian, Los Angeles Public Library
2008 – 2009	County Librarian, San Mateo County Library
2004 – 2008	President/CEO, Urban Libraries Council
2002 – 2004	Executive Director, Friends and Foundation, San Francisco Public Library
1995 – 2002	Executive Director, Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, NY
1990 – 1995	Director, Oakland Public Library
1987 – 1990	District Chief/Director, Chicago Public Library
1984 - 1987	Principal Librarian, California State Library
1979 – 1982	Regional Librarian, San Diego County Library
1976 – 1978	Branch Librarian, San Diego Public Library

Related Academic Appointments

- o Associate Dean, Faculty Affairs: University of Southern California Libraries
- o Associate Dean, Grants & Research: University of Southern California Libraries
- o Diversity Liaison, Office of the Provost, University of Southern California Libraries

Selected International Assignments

Public Libraries – International Partnerships and Regional Networks, U.S. Department of State, Information Resource Center of the American Embassy, Athens, Greece. April 4 – 8, 2005:

U.S. Department of State, Information Resource Center, Embassy of the United States of America, Ukraine. September 18 – October 6, 2001

Libraries in the 21st Century, Salzburg Seminar, Salzburg, Austria. October 23 – 30, 2004

Teaching Experience

2019 - 2021: *Advanced Library Management*, University of North Texas
2015 – 2016: *Library Leadership and Management*, University of Southern California, Marshall School of Business

Research Projects

Principal Investigator, Spanish Reference Study Bay Area Library and Information System, 1987
Principal Investigator, Latino Services Project, Serra Cooperative Library System, 1982 – 1984.

Publications

“Who is most qualified to serve our ethnic-minority communities?” American Libraries, v. 31, no. 11, pp. 39 – 41, December 2000.

“Attracting and Managing Public Funds.” Marketing Library Services, vol. 12; number 2, March 1998

“Public Library Literacy Programs: A Blueprint for the Future” pp. 146 – 153; Literacy & Libraries: Learning from Case Studies. Grace Anne A. DeCandido, ed. Office for Literacy and Outreach Services, American Library Association, 2001

“Bridging the Digital Divide: Public Service Telecommunications in the Internet and Digital Age” pp. 149 – 153. A Digital Gift to the Nation, The Century Foundation Press, 2001.

Current Professional Memberships

- American Library Association
- Association of College and Research Libraries
- Public Library Association
- California Library Association
- International Relations Roundtable (ALA)
- International Federation of Library Associations
- Association of African American Museums

Honors and Awards

- Outstanding Alumnus, College of Behavioral Sciences, University of Arizona
- Doctor of Humane Letters (Honoris Causa), St. Francis College, Brooklyn, NY
- Doctor of Laws (Honoris Causa), St. Joseph's College, Brooklyn, NY

- (Margaret E.) Monroe Library Adult Services Award - Reference and User Service Association – American Library Association