

# **M.J. D'Elia**

**Learning & Curriculum Support Team Librarian at Centre for Business and Social Entrepreneurship**  
Guelph, ON, CA

A librarian with a significant amount of teaching experience.

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## **Description**

M.J. D'Elia is the Head (Acting) of the Learning and Curriculum Support Team at the University of Guelph. He provides strategic leadership and operational oversight for the Learning Commons units: Learning and Writing Services, Information Literacy, Supported Learning Groups, and the Data Resource Centre. He is a co-conspirator in a number of interesting side projects, including Innovation Boot Camp, PIM Labs, and The Startup Library.

In addition to his library role, he also instructs the Entrepreneurship course for the Department of Marketing and Consumer Studies. This course features a Dragon's Den-like business pitch competition at the end of the semester. When time permits, M.J. doodles, plays with Lego and runs a small facilitation company that specializes in creative problem solving.

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## **Industry Expertise**

Education/Learning, Social Media, Research, Library and Information Management

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## **Topics**

Information Literacy, Collection Development, Library Science, Virtual Reference Services, Curriculum Design, Educational Technology, Digital Libraries, Metadata, Library Research

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## **Affiliations**

Creative Education Foundation (CEF) : Member, Ontario Library Association (OLA) : Member, American Library Association (ALA) : Member, University of Guelph : Instructor of Entrepreneurship

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## **Past Talks**

**Innovation Boot Camp: Learn Faster**  
OALT / ABO Conference

**Building a game layer on top of the library**  
OLA Conference

**Librarians are like detectives (and other generative analogies...)**  
CLA Conference 2011

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## **Education**

**Dalhousie University**  
MLIS Library Scienc

**University of Western Ontario**  
B.A. Visual Arts, English

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## **Accomplishments**

**Distinguished Librarian Award**  
Awarded by the University of Guelph, 2006-2008.

**Louis Vagianos Award**  
Awarded by Dalhousie University.

**Gold Medal Recipient**  
Awarded by The University of Western Ontario.

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