

**2017 Academic Board Elections  
Librarians - Candidates' Statements**

**Librarians**

**Harriet Sonne de Torrens**

I am an academic librarian, medievalist and visual resources specialist at the UTM Library, embedded in the Department of Visual Studies and a long-standing member of the UTFA Executive, Librarians Committee and one of the founders of CAPAL. I pro-actively support the need for tri-campus representation and the central role of academic librarians in post-secondary research institutions striving for excellence. I believe I have the experience, knowledge and qualifications concerning the UTL system and the University of Toronto as a research institution to contribute in a substantial and meaningful way to the Academic Board on behalf of my colleagues.

<https://www.utm.utoronto.ca/dvs/harriet-sonne-de-torrens>,  
<https://utoronto.academia.edu/HarrietSonnedeTorrens>,  
<http://ocufa.on.ca/press-releases/the-university-toronto-mississaugas-harriet-sonne-de-torrens-wins-prestigious-ocufa-academic-librarianship-award-2/>, <http://capalibrarians.org/>

**Laura Anderson**

I am interested in further contributing to the success of the University by serving on the Academic Board. In my role as Director for Strategic Initiatives, I am involved in many aspects of the Libraries planning and operations which intersect with the responsibilities of the Academic Board and support the overall mission of the University. I believe that I have the perspective, skills and understanding to effectively serve in this volunteer role.