

Call for Book Proposals: Promoting Health Humanities and Narrative Medicine at Health Sciences Libraries

Health humanities can be defined as the intersection between health and the human experience of illness and wellness. Exploring topics in health humanities can improve care and relationships between health professionals and patients, foster understanding of bias and perspective, create meaningful engagement and partnerships in health care, and provide an expressive and creative outlet for psychological stress and physical pain.

If you are a librarian who is interested in health humanities or narrative medicine, please consider submitting a proposal to the MLA Books Panel. Possible topics include:

- programming and instructional activities
- partnerships with medical students, patients, health care professionals, or researchers
- collection development
- professional development activities
- cultural competence, humility, and diversity
- disability studies
- bioethics
- gender studies
- community and public health
- clinical ethics
- graphic medicine
- arts and music
- literature and creative writing
- relationships between health care professionals and patients
- patients' experience of illness and death
- narrative medicine

You may write the book by yourself or edit the book and seek contributions from other health sciences librarians or information professionals. The submission process is described at <u>Publish a</u> <u>Book with MLA</u>. To begin the process, submit your completed <u>step 1 form</u> to <u>Martha Lara</u> at MLA by November 17, 2020. If you have questions about serving as the editor or the author of the entire volume, please contact <u>Susan Maria Harnett</u>, AHIP. At this time, we are seeking an author or editor; chapter contributions cannot be considered until an editor has been chosen.