

Hi! I'm David Ireland, and I am the Information Literacy & Research Librarian here at Stetson. I have lived most of my life outside of Baltimore, Maryland, but I have done some traveling.

I graduated with a Master of Information Studies degree from McGill University in Montreal, Canada, in 2021. While there and continuing after graduation, I worked for the Writing Centre of the library with students, both undergraduate and graduate, helping them with research, editing, and essay structure. Prior to that, I earned an M.Phil. in Linguistics from Trinity College Dublin, Ireland, and a B.A. in English-Literature from the University of North Carolina Wilmington.

My research interests include the neurology and psychology of reading, the effects of AI and its impact on the humanities (and humanity), print culture and book history, and propaganda.

Here are some things I am passionate about: information literacy; language; the ideas of Marshall McLuhan, Walter Ong, Maryanne Wolf, and Elizabeth Eisenstein; and how the medium relates to how we take in and use information. I love reading: *1984*, *Brave New World*, and *Fahrenheit 451* are some of my favorite books—*Treasure Island* is the first book I remember loving. I also enjoy the works of Robert Benchley, James Thurber, and S.J. Perelman. I love Art History, British comedy, and baseball (Go Orioles!). I am passionate about music and hope to learn to play the Irish Bouzouki and mandocello.

I really look forward to working with the students and faculty at Stetson!