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### UCF Libraries Awards Stillman Scholarship

ORLANDO, FLORIDA – The University of Central Florida Libraries is proud to announce that Sarah Rasmussen '22 is the 2023 recipient of the June S. Stillman Memorial Endowed Scholarship.

Ms. Rasmussen is a graduate student pursuing a master's degree in Secondary Education. She earned her bachelor's from UCF in 2022 with a major in Secondary Education with an English track and minors in ESOL and English Literature. In addition to working for the Libraries' Curriculum Materials Center since 2019, Sarah now also teaches tenth grade English at University High School.

Ms. Rasmussen finds “the greatest joys in helping others whether it's within the perimeters of my teaching career or my job at the library assisting patrons, helping new student workers learn the library responsibilities, or wherever else I am needed by my colleagues.”

In the words of Ms. Rasmussen's supervisor, Pamela Jaggernaut, “Sarah is an exception[al] candidate for the June Stillman Memorial Scholarship, her dedication to teaching and learning, coupled with her experience working with diverse populations and knowledge of technology, make her a valuable asset in the field of education.”

This is the 24<sup>st</sup> awarding of the Stillman scholarship, which is given to a student or staff member of the UCF Libraries. June S. Stillman was one of the first two librarians hired when UCF (then Florida Technological University) opened in 1968. Her impact on students can be seen from a 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary survey of the first graduating class, a majority of whom listed her as a key figure from their student days. Stillman received her second master's degree in English Literature from UCF while working as the Head of Reference Services at the Library. She retired in 1996 and tragically passed away in 1998. Her friends and family established the June S. Stillman Memorial Endowed Scholarship in her honor. She is remembered as a consummate professional, the epitome of gentility and compassion, and a proponent of lifelong learning.

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