

Celina McDonald is the U.S. Government Documents and Criminology Librarian at the University of Maryland (UMD), and serves as the regional federal depository librarian for the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Delaware. As the coordinator of the regional depository, Ms. McDonald provides leadership and support to the fifty-nine selective libraries in her service area, including collection management oversight, developing training, facilitating annual meetings, and providing information discovery assistance. In this position, Ms. McDonald created and implemented a plan to increase usage of the University of Maryland's government documents collection and allow her to offer new services to users while reducing the collection's physical footprint by withdrawing eligible materials.

Ms. McDonald previously (2007-2012) worked at Clemson University Libraries in South Carolina as the federal depository library coordinator. While there she steered the libraries through the process of relinquishing regional status and transitioning to a selective federal depository library. She also led a task force that successfully advocated for Clemson to become the Center of Excellence for the National Park Service (NPS) and U.S. Forest Service, which entailed collecting and retaining all materials published by both federal agencies.

Ms. McDonald was a member of the American Library Association (ALA) Committee on Legislation's Subcommittee on Government Information from 2012-2017, and served as co-chair and chair of the group from 2015-17. In 2014, she became chair of the Regional Government Information Librarians (REGIL), the committee that facilitates communications between the nation's regional federal depository libraries and the U.S. Government Publishing Office (GPO). In 2017, Ms. McDonald was appointed to a 3-year term on the Depository Library Council (DLC), an advisory council to the GPO director on matters relating to the FDLP program.

Ms. McDonald's research interests include analyzing the usage of electronic government information to facilitate making informed decisions regarding collection management, and exploring the development of search techniques to improve discovery of government information. Her research on usage patterns of electronic government documents was presented at the 2017 annual conference of the Association of College & Research Libraries (ACRL). She has also delivered two highly-viewed online webinars about online search techniques via the FDLP Academy in partnership with GPO.

Ms. McDonald earned her B.A. in Russian Studies and English from Lehigh University in 2000 and M.S. in Information from the University of Michigan in 2004.