Biography of Lizzie Caperon

Lizzie Caperon is the elearning Officer at Leeds University Library in the UK. She is also the subject librarian in the School of Medicine. She enjoys the variety these two diverse roles provide – project managing elearning projects in one role, and directly supporting medical students with information literacy and academic skills in the other.

Lizzie wrote her master’s dissertation on the use of mobile technologies in academic libraries and surveyed Leeds’ students to establish their needs from a mobile library service. From this work she constructed suggestions for improving provision at Leeds; dispelling some myths about the mobile services users really want to use, as will be explored in her conference presentation. She is passionate about new technologies and the best ways to embed these within learning to improve educational experience.

As elearning Officer, Lizzie is able to put her passion for new technologies into action by working with an energetic team at skills@library to create and disseminate a range of interactive online resources which enhance students’ academic and information literacy skills. Lizzie has been involved in organisation initiatives and projects which focus on moving towards a flipped classroom and blended learning approach. As a subject librarian Lizzie is then able to directly implement such pedagogical approaches and see their impact when teaching in the School of Medicine.

Lizzie enjoys travelling; last year she attended the SLA Conference in San Diego on a young career award bursary and she represented the University of Leeds by presenting the online resource ‘Flying Start’ created by skills@library at the Media and Learning Conference in Brussels in 2012.