NCCCLA CANDIDATE for Vice President / President Elect

Leigh Russell Library Director, Pitt Community College

Education:

MLS, North Carolina Central University; BS, East Carolina University; AA, Peace College

Employment Background:

I began my library career at Peace College as a student assistant and continued working as a student assistant after I transferred to East



Carolina University. After college, I was hired as a Library Assistant at Laupus Health Sciences Library at ECU. From there, I moved to the Joyner Library at ECU and worked in circulation while I obtained my MLS. My first librarian position was as a Reference and Instruction Librarian at Auburn University. I was there for about 3 years when I applied for and was hired by Pamlico Community College as the Library Director. After 5 years at Pamlico, I was hired at Pitt Community College as the Library Director. I have been at Pitt for 9 years.

Officer Position: VICE PRESIDENT / PRESIDENT-ELECT

Please share why you desire to serve in this position and what do you envision achieving during your term in support of NCCCLA's mission? Include any relevant experience, accomplishments, etc.

Serving as the next Vice President/President-Elect would allow me to help NCCCLA continue its work of supporting and empowering community college libraries in North Carolina. I envision expansion of professional development opportunities, strengthening collaboration, forging new partnerships, and increasing NCCCLA's influence across North Carolina. I believe NCCCLA could play a critical role for community college libraries in North Carolina and serving as the Vice President/President-Elect will afford me the opportunity to facilitate its growth and influence across the state.