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Drexel Online Graduate Gives Back to Her Community

Jeanette Russell earns a M.S. in Library and Information Science degree from Drexel University Online and is using her skills to make a difference in her community.

Philadelphia, PA– December 12, 2007 – Jeanette Russell of Camden, N.J., a media specialist for the Camden Public School System, has recently completed her [Master's in Library and Information Science](#) from [Drexel University Online](#) and is using her degree to fulfill her goals and give back by implementing initiatives to promote reading.

Jeanette completed her [Library and Information Science degree](#) in June 2007, and is bringing her skills and talents to the Camden Public School System at the Riletta Twyne Cream Family School. She is building her library collection and starting new initiatives within the school. “I try to incorporate fun things into my program,” Jeanette said. “For example, I ordered life-sized stuffed animals for the library, and everyone is excited about them. The children travel to ‘story land’ to visit them. I am satisfied when I see how the children respond.” The children are also fascinated when Jeanette tells them that she recently went on a 30 day trip around the United States. “I tell them I had the idea of traveling from reading a book,” she said. “I encourage them to read because it has made a tremendous difference in my life.”

Born in Harlem, Jeanette spent her childhood in New York City and Camden, N.J. She credits [Drexel University Online](#) in helping her finish her Master's degree and fulfilling her personal and career goals. “When the Drexel advisor asked me where I wanted to work, I told her Camden,” said Jeanette. “My advisor thought it would be difficult, but best to take my newly acquired skills to my own community. Obtaining an advanced degree allowed me to fulfill my goals.”

Looking to the future, Jeanette sees the field of Library Science growing. “The field of LIS is expanding and evolving,” she said. “It is my belief that people are realizing the importance of information seeking. The potential of this field is unlimited.” She found the degree program through Drexel Online to be extremely flexible and convenient, and notes that her degree has opened many doors.

“We're very proud to offer our students the outstanding Drexel curriculum within this convenient online format,” said Dr. Kenneth Hartman, academic director at [Drexel University Online](#). “All of our [online programs](#) – including the [Master's in Library and Information Science](#) – are taught by the same renowned faculty as our campus courses.”

Applications for Drexel's online [Master's in Library and Information Science](#) are now being accepted for the winter term. For more information about this online program, visit Drexel's [online degree website](#), e-mail info@drexel.com or call (877) 215-0009.

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