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Thomas J. Galvin has been Dean of the School of Library and Information Science at the University of Pittsburgh since 1974.

During his tenure as Dean at Pittsburgh, enrollment in the School of Library and Information Science has grown from 324 to 710 students. Between 1974 and 1984, financial support of the School by the University has increased from \$775,000 to a current level of \$2,220,000. Since 1974, ten new degree and certificate programs have been established, making SLIS the largest and most diversified school in its field in North America.

Before joining the Pittsburgh faculty, Dean Galvin was Associate Director and Professor in the Graduate School of Library and Information Science at Simmons College in Boston, where he held faculty and administrative appointments from 1962 through 1974. He was Assistant Director of Libraries at Simmons from 1959 to 1962; Chief Librarian of the Abbot Public Library, Marblehead, Massachusetts from 1956 to 1959; and Reference Librarian at Boston University, College of General Education from 1954 to 1956.

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Dean Galvin holds the baccalaureate degree with distinction in English from Columbia University, the Master of Science in Library Science from Simmons College, and the degree of Doctor of Philosophy from Case Western Reserve University. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Beta Phi Mu.

In 1972, Dr. Galvin received the Isadore Gilbert Mudge Citation, presented by the Reference and Adult Service. Division of the American Library Association. In 1978, he received the Alumni Achievement Award of the Graduate School of Library and Information Science, Simmons College. In 1979, he was named a Distinguished Alumnus of the School of Library Science, Case Western Reserve University.

Dean Galvin is the author or editor of seventeen books. The most recent are Priorities For Academic Libraries (#39 in the Jossey-Bass "New Directions for Higher Education" series), co-edited with Beverly P. Lynch and Information Technology: Critical Choices For Library Decision-Makers, co-edited with Allen Kent. Both were published in 1982.

Earlier books include Excellence in School Media Programs (1980); The Structure and Governance of Library Networks (1979), named the Outstanding Information Science Book of the year by the American Society for Information Science; The On-Line Revolution in Libraries (1978); Library Resource Sharing (1977); The Case Method in Library Education and In-Service Training (1973); Current Problems in Reference Service (1971); and Problems in Reference Service (1965), translated and

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published in Jāpanese by the Japan Library Association in 1970. Current Problems in Reference Service was the inaugural title in the nine- volume Problem-Centered Approaches to Librarianship series, of which Dr. Galvin was general editor. A regular contributor to professional journals, he is the author of more than 150 published articles, research papers and reviews on various aspects of library and information science.

Dr. Galvin was elected President of the 39,000-member American Library Association in 1979-80. Previous elective offices in that Association include the Presidency of its Library Education Division and three terms as a member of the ALA Council. He is past Chair of ALA's Wilson Indexes and Reference and Subscription Books Review Committees. At the state level, he served three terms as Treasurer of the Massachusetts Library Association. He was a member of the Pennsylvania State Advisory Council for Title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act from 1975 through 1979.

Currently, Dr. Galvin is Chair of the American Library Association's International Relations Committee and Vice Chair of its Commission on Freedom and Equality of Access to Information. He represents ALA on the 1985 IFLA Conference Organizing Committee.

Dr. Galvin was a delegate-at-large to the 1979 White House Conference on Library and Information Services. He was a hember of the Public-Private Sector Task Force and the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Satellite Data Archiving of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science. He serves on The National Advisory Board for the Center For the Book at the Library of Congress. He has appeared on several occasions as an expert witness before committees of the United States Congress.

In 1980, Dr. Galvin was appointed by the Secretary of State to the United States National Commission for UNESCO. During his term, he has served for three years as an elected member of the Commission's Executive Committee and as member and Chair of its Nominating Committee.

Current special appointments include membership on the Visiting Committees of the Matthew A. Baxter School of Information and Library Science, Case Western Reserve University and the School of Library Science, Texas Woman's University. He has served on accrediting teams on behalf of the American Library Association and the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. He is a former Trustee of the Thayer Public Library, Braintree, Massachusetts.

Active at the international level, Dr. Galvin delivered a keynote address at the 1983 General Conference of the International Federation of Library Associations in Munich. He was one of five U.S. experts participating in the 1982 World Congress on Books in London at the invitation of the Director General of UNESCO.

Since 1977, Dean Galvin has been U.S. Principal Investigator for a multi-year national library and information service development project co-sponsored by the Ministry of Culture of Spain and supported by the Spanish-North American Joint



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Committee for Educational and Cultural Cooperation. From 1976 through 1978, he was External Examiner in the Department of Library Studies, University of Ibadan, Nigeria. He has served on the Fulbright-Hays Selection Panel of the Council for the International Exchange of Scholars.

Dr. Galvin has been a consultant to a variety of international, national and local organizations, government agencies, colleges and universities, publishers, public and special libraries. Among his current and recent consultant assignments are evaluations of library services at New York University, Brooklyn College of the City University of New York, and Buena Vista College, Iowa; curriculum and program development at King Abdulaziz University, Department of Library Science, Saudi Arabia, the Graduate Library School of the University of Rhode Island, Rutgers University School of Communications, Information and Library Studies, and Millersville (PA) State College; evaluation of the Illinois State Library Interlibrary Cooperation Consultant Program. He serves as editorial advisor to Encyclopaedia Britannica, Thorndike-Barnhardt dictionaries, Pierian Press, Neal-Schuman Publishers and Marcel Dekker, Inc. He is a member of the editorial boards of The Reference Librarian, and Ask:

Dr. Galvin's areas of teaching and research interest include education for the library and information professions, international library development, library management, reference and information services, library networking, information and public policy.

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Dr. Galvin is a member of the American Library Association, the Special Libraries Association, the American Society for Information Science, the Association for Library and Information Science Education, Friends of Libraries-USA, the Freedom to Read Foundation, Pennsylvania Citizens for Better Libraries, the Pennsylvania Library Association, and the Pennsylvania School Librarians Association.

Dean Galvin is listed in Who's Who in America, Who's Who in the East, Contemporary Authors, and Who's Who in Library and Information Services.

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