

Featured MCRPA Spotlight Member – March 2016



Ashley Babcock

1. What is your role at Montgomery College?

Learning Center Assistant Manager. I work at the Writing, Reading, and Language Center (WRL Center) at the RV Campus. I am responsible for managing the Macklin Tower (MT) side of the WLR Center. We have an academic computer lab, two classroom areas where classes come in to work on a variety of writing and grammar exercises, a digital language lab for World Language and AELS classes to enhance their speaking skills, World Language tutoring, and a group study area. On the Humanities (HU) side of the WRL Center, we offer writing tutoring as well as writing workshops, a quick question desk, a smart classroom, and a self-study room. One of my main responsibilities is to oversee the writing workshops delivered on the HU side of the WLR center, which focus on a variety of writing topics including writing across the curriculum.

2. How long have you been in the field?

I have been in the field for approximately 10 years teaching English and working in a variety of different positions at learning centers in institutions of higher education.

3. How long have you been at Montgomery College?

I have been at MC since October 2014.

4. What are some of your hobbies?

Cooking, traveling, visiting Virginia wineries, attending music festivals, and enjoying the great outdoors.

5. What would be your ideal dream vacation?

Returning to Italy or visiting England, Scotland, and Ireland.

6. What is the first thing you would buy if you won the lottery?

A villa in Tuscany!

7. What's your favorite childhood memory?

Two week road trips with my family every August to upstate NY, PA, and Busch Gardens.

8. What was the last movie you watched? How many stars would you give it if you were a Movie Critic?

Pride and Prejudice and Zombies. Three out of four stars.

9. What was the last sport or music concert event you attended?

Redskins vs. Bills football game. Unfortunately, the Bills lost. I am a Bills fan!

10. If you could get a second chance for a “dream job”, would you still be doing what you’re doing right now or is there another job you would love to have?

I would still be in higher education. There are a lot of things I would like to do in the field of higher ed. I am looking forward to exploring the different avenues, but I am definitely a teacher at heart. Higher education is definitely the right fit for me! Although if I could be a famous novelist, I would take that too!