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Sarah Thomas came to Cornell University in 1996 as the Carl A. Kroch University Librarian. In a career spanning almost thirty years, Thomas has cataloged books in Harvard University's Widener Library, taught German at the Johns Hopkins University, managed library coordination at the Research Libraries Group in California, held a Council on Library Resources Management Internship at the University of Georgia, served as the Associate Director for Technical Services at the National Agricultural Library, and directed both the Cataloging Directorate and the Public Service Collections Directorate at the Library of Congress. At Cornell she provides leadership for the twenty libraries that make up the University's library system, managing a staff of almost 500 employees

and 500 students. The Cornell University Library holds over 7 million volumes and has an active digital library program.

Thomas has had a long-standing interest in information technology. She currently serves on the Steering Committee of the Digital Library Federation, and she frequently speaks or writes on the topic of digital libraries. She is a life member of the American Library Association and is the president of the Association of Research Libraries (ARL), as well as a member of the ARL Board. She currently serves on advisory councils to several university libraries, including Harvard and MIT.

Thomas earned a Ph.D. in German literature from The Johns Hopkins University in 1983, writing her dissertation on the topic: "Hugo von Hofmannsthal and the Insel-Verlag: a Case Study of Author-Publisher Relations." She received her bachelor's degree from Smith College in 1970 and a Master of Science in Library Science from Simmons College in 1973.

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