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Sheila,

Thank you for your continuous effort in making the AEA365 blog what it is today! I started my evaluation journey in grad school back in 2013 and never looked back. I have read a number of blog posts over the years that have inspired me or resonated with the work I was currently doing. It was wonderful to know that you were curating such an expansive resource for us YEEs (if I can still call myself that after nearly 10 years in the field).

Yours,
Rebecca

Hi Sheila, I just wanted to personally thank you for curating such a great blog. You have done a wonderful job. I thoroughly enjoy and get such value out of the AEA365. All the best for your next adventures, Alison from Australia
Alison Rogers

Thanks, Sheila, for your caring contribution to the world through aea365!

Beverly Parsons

Dear Sheila,

I was stunned to hear you were leaving this role! I have not yet commented publicly only because I had no idea what to say! But you have been steadfast in your support of contributors in so many situations. It makes a big difference. Your generosity allows people to contribute as much of themselves and it has created a sense of community in what could be an intimidating, rules-driven process. I'm so glad to have met you and to be connected to you through social media. Please keep in touch!

Love,
Vidhya
Vidhya Shanker

Thank you for an amazing resource that evolved so much over the years.

Elizabeth Speck

*Thank you Sheila! With you next chapter. I have learned over the years.
Leta*

I've been a loyal reader and sharer of this wonderful daily blog for years. So much substance captured in such an easy to digest format. Thank you for your creative and generous contributions to so many across the globe.

Donna Haig Friedman

Thank you very much, Sheila, for all your work and leadership but especially for your vision and enthusiasm – the entire AEA community has benefited. Thanks – Tom Kelly



THANK YOU SHEILA FOR THE MANY GREAT YEARS CURATING AND LOVINGLY TENDING TO THIS VERY IMPORTANT WORK. AS AN EDUCATOR IN OUR FIELD, I OFTEN SHARE THE BLOGS WITH STUDENTS, AND DIRECT THEM TO THE AEA SITE FOR THE VARIOUS RESOURCES NOT THE LEAST OF WHICH ARE THE MANY INSIGHTS PROVIDED BY THE BLOG POSTS. YOUR WORK WAS AND REMAINS IMPORTANT TO ADVANCE OUR FIELD. THE WORK NEEDS MORE CHAMPIONS LIKE YOU. BEST REGARDS.
ROBERT P. SHEPHERD

just to say, many thanks, for keeping this so well curated, your work is the best, pat
Pat McGinn

Thank you, Sheila, for all your work, an incredible resource.
Maddy Frey

Sheila,

Thank you for your wonderful leadership, creativity, and drive, in making AEA365 such a vibrant platform for important ideas and experiences. We owe a huge debt to you.

Many, many thanks, and all the best in your next chapter.

Ted Jackson

Thanks, Sheila, for the many years of hard work and dedication to growing AEA365 into a valuable resource for the AEA community. Your leadership is greatly appreciated. All the best for your next endeavor.

Aileen Reid

Sheila, I've read AEA365 daily literally for years, since the beginning of my career, and it has played a large role in helping form my identity as an evaluator. It has given me more lessons than I could ever possibly count. I pass the resources on all the time. And moreover, it has made me feel part of a real community, which is no small feat for an online space in today's world. The impact you've had in curating this is beyond measure (oh the irony!). Thank you thank you thank you!

Best, Amanda Sutter

Dear Sheila: I follow AEA365, and it keeps me entertained and interested. I have learned a lot from the many perspectives and approaches. I give you so much credit for keeping it moving along and finding helpful topics to present in evaluation. Thank you for contributing to our field and for mentoring many of us. Stay well!

Paul Frankel

Sheila, the first time we met I was carrying my daughter in Denver, setting up a table for the UMN. You took a picture and tweeted it - something about the younger AEA attendees. (love). Thank you for your service over so many years. I look forward to seeing what you will do next!

Melissa Chapman Haynes

Sheila--AEA365 has been one of my primary resources for keeping on top of new developments in our field, skills, and people. It has also provided me a way to share some of my learnings with others in a manner that otherwise would be not so easy! Your significant investment of time and energy is so appreciated! Thank you!

Laura Beals



This Canadian has appreciated your efforts.
Christine Frank

Thank you for your contribution! AEA365 is one of my favorite AEA activities. You have helped so many people learn so much through your curation.

Tamara Walser

Thank you so much, Sheila, for all of the amazing content with care shared throughout the years via the AEA365 blog! The growth of evaluation via your contributions through this platform and the expansion of the evaluation community across all disciplines are invaluable.

With sincere appreciation, Andrea

Gracias! Siempre me inspiran los blog
Gabriela Sweet

Thank you for curating this valuable resource for so long! I am at the beginning of my evaluation career and this blog has been that friend with quality advice and "did you know ..."s. Even today, I've bookmarked an email to read again later because I see there's something valuable there and I should take time to learn from it.

Best wishes for what lies ahead!

Audrey K.

Sheila that you so much for all you've done for AEA365! It's such a valuable resource!!

Jennifer



Thank you so much, Sheila, for your generosity, wisdom, and collegiality. AEA365 is a brilliant tool, and is a particularly useful gateway resource for folks new to evaluation. Thank you!

Rhonda Schlangen

Thank you for weaving the words of our community together. You've helped us share and hear stories. Congratulations on the successes of these last several years!

Leah Goldstein Moses

Sheila - Heartfelt appreciation for your tireless efforts in bringing the blog. Thank you for the interesting and informative posts that I read every darn day!

Lisa L. Chermas

Thank you SO much for your leadership, generosity and commitment to our field. aea365 is such an asset to all of us, and I've so benefited as a reader (and as an occasional writer)!

Sarah Stachowiak

*Sheila,
You certainly will be missed by all--but, especially me.
Thanks for your encouragement, thoughtful patience, and
always for being so incredibly responsive! Good luck in
your new chapter in life. ~Jackie
Jacqueline Singh*

*Thank you, Sheila, for your years of leadership of
the AEA365 Blog. Best wishes for your next
adventure in evaluation and beyond!
jenn billman*

*I was fortunate to have participated in
sessions at AEA and to read your blog. Thanks
so much for sharing your insight and
experiences.*

*Best of luck in your future endeavors.
Eileen Burk*

**Sheila,
May 2019, my first EERS conference and pre session
was your survey design session. I constantly think
back to that session when setting up surveys and
think "what would Sheila do?" It truly changed my
thinking about survey development and I cannot
express how grateful I am to you. Thank you for your
dedication and inspiration to the rest of us! Enjoy
this next chapter in your life!
Kimberly M**

**I have followed the blog for many years and
appreciate your stellar curation of this important
information source!**
Katie Winters

*Thank you so much for your year
of all the support!
Jenn Ballentine*

*Sheila, Thanks so much for the many hours of support you provided for the blog series. More than that, thank you for the LOVE you poured into it as all of us who contributed! You will be missed in this space. - Ann
Ann Price*



Thank you so much for all of the heart and soul you put into this blog. It has been such an important part of my growth as an evaluator. ❤️
Elise Garvey



Hello Sheila, You have made a huge difference in our understanding of the breadth of evaluation ideas, resources and research. I started reading AEA365 as a graduate student and now I invite my graduate students at Queen's University to visit and revisit the blog. We have so much to learn from one another and you have helped to propell AEA365 as a forum for learning and appreciating. Thank you so much for the years you have put into AEA365. Sincerely, Michelle Searle

Thanks so much for everything you've done for the AEA365 blog, Sheila! It's such a hugely helpful resource. I'm also grateful for your encouragement and support in submitting a blog post back in 2018. I was just finishing grad school and it was one of my first contributions of any sort to the eval community. Having the post published was a great boost to my confidence and motivation as someone new to the field. Thank you!

Evan Poncelet

I have learned so much from AEA 365, and continue to - thank you for bringing so many voices to the community, and for sharing their knowledge, and for creating a space for the community! Wishing you all the best in your projects and adventures.

Viv Walz



AEA 365 has been my go-to resource for tips and tricks, deep insights, and thoughtful perspectives on how to be an evaluator. It is always on my list of Evaluator Resources. Your support of the many varied perspectives and topics have made me a better evaluator.

Karen Snyder

Thank you, Sheila, for your wonderful curating of this blog for so many years. You've made a space for many different voices and issues - and shown us just how effective we can be when we work together to learn from each other.

Patricia Rogers

AEA365 has made a big difference in my professional life and strengthened connections with peers. Thank you for all the skill and love you contributed to make it a success! You helped make our professional community stronger and smarter. Here's to the next chapter -- for AEA365 and for you!

Heather Britt