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Professor Daphne Douglas is a Professional Librarian and Library Educator. She has been on the Board of the National Library of Jamaica almost since its inception and has been Chairman since 1994.

She received her basic education at the St. Hilda's Diocesan High School, Brown's Town. She was educated professionally at the Eastern Caribbean Regional Library School, Trinidad, Leeds School of Librarianship, England, the Danish School of Librarianship, Copenhagen, the University of Pittsburgh School of Library and Information Science and the University of Western Ontario School of Library and Information Science.

Her qualifications are Associate of The Library Association (A.L.A), Fellow of The Library Association (F.L.A.), Master of Library Science (M.L.S.). She was a foundation member of the staff of the Department of Library Studies, having been appointed Lecturer in 1971, Senior Lecturer in 1979 and Professor in 1984. She was Head of the Department from June, 1976 until July, 1993, with a two year break in 1980-1982. Previous service was with the Jamaica Civil Service and the Jamaica Library Service

Professor Douglas was involved on the local, national and international scene, lecturing on a variety of occasions, presenting papers at conferences and seminars and participating in advisory and expert work. She was very active in the work of the Jamaica National Council on Libraries, Archives and Documentation Services serving as Vice-Chairman until 1991 when its composition was changed. She was very involved in the Association of Caribbean University, Research and Informational Libraries (ACURIL), having been on the Executive Council for six years and President for 1984. She has also been an active member of the Jamaica Library Association, serving as Secretary in the early years and as President in 1977.

She has received a number of honours including Beta Phi Mu Membership in the International Library Honour Society, Appointment as a Member of the Order of Distinction in the Commander Division (C.D.) and more recently a Silver Musgrave Medal from the Institute of Jamaica.