



The CRRA Liaisons Council Bulletin brings monthly news on members' professional development, achievements and conferences, as well as institutional projects and grant opportunities. This bulletin looks to help support and grow our community. Thanks for submitting your news and articles.

1. Warm welcome to new liaisons

- Debbie Winarski Catholic Theological Union
- Nathan Dowd, Library Director, Edgewood College

The CRRA Member Liaisons serve as the point of contact for both individuals at the [member and partner institutions](#) and for the CRRA. The primary role of the Liaison is to serve as the communication link between the member institution and the CRRA. The Liaison acts as the local clearinghouse for CRRA information, vetting questions and disseminating information from the member institution to the CRRA and from the CRRA to the institution. For more, see [Responsibilities of Official Representatives and Member Liaisons](#)

2. Institute for Research Design in Librarianship (IRDL) 2018 - Applications

Deadline: January 27, 2018

Program dates: June 3-9, 2018

Application: <http://irdlonline.org/call-for-proposals/institute-overview/>

Cost: FREE

Desirae Zingarelli-Sweet (dzingare@lmu.edu), current liaisons council chair, was part of the 2016 IRDL cohort and is happy to speak with those interested in learning more about the experience

We are issuing a call for applications for the Institute for Research Design in Librarianship (IRDL) 2018. We are seeking novice librarian researchers who are employed by academic libraries or research libraries outside an academic setting in the United States to participate in the Institute. We define "novice" broadly; if you feel that you would benefit from being guided throughout the entire research design process, we encourage your application. Librarians of all levels of professional experience are welcome to apply.

The William H. Hannon Library has received a second three-year grant from the Institute for Museum and Library Services (IMLS) to offer this continuing education opportunity (this grant,

IRDL-2, is from 2016-2019). Each year 20 librarians will receive, at no cost to them, instruction in research design and a full year of peer/mentor support to complete a research project at their home institutions; **the learning experience, travel to and from Los Angeles, CA, accommodations, and food will be supplied to Scholars free of charge.**

We seek librarians with a passion for research and a desire to improve their research skills. IRDL is designed to bring together all that the literature tells us about the necessary conditions for librarians to conduct valid and reliable research in an institutional setting. The cohort will be chosen from a selective submission process, with an emphasis on enthusiasm for research and diversity from a variety of perspectives, including ethnicity and type and size of library.

They will be accepting applications from December 1, 2017 to **January 27, 2018**. Scholars accepted to the Institute will be notified in early March 2018. Application information and details may be found at <http://irdlonline.org/call-for-proposals/institute-overview/>.

Please contact Project Directors with any questions about the Institute or the application process:

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3. 2017 Conferences and Workshops

3a. ALA Midwinter

February 9 – 13, 2018, Colorado Convention Center, Denver, CO

Full registration for the 2017 Midwinter Meeting will include the new Symposium on the Future of Libraries, sponsored by the ALA Center for the Future of Libraries.

Information, registration and details at <https://2018.alamidwinter.org/>

3b. ALCTS 2018 Midwinter Symposium “Empowering Access and Ensuring Accessibility: Connecting People to Information and Collections”

On Friday, February 9, 2018, the Association for Library Collections & Technical Services (ALCTS) will hold the Midwinter Symposium “[Empowering Access and Ensuring Accessibility: Connecting People to Information and Collections](#)” during the 2018 ALA Midwinter Meeting in Denver. Aimed at those working in collections and technical services, this full-day symposium will examine how libraries and cultural institutions provide all populations with access to materials.

ALCTS or ALA membership is not required to attend the ALCTS Midwinter Symposium. In addition, attendees do not need additional registration for the ALA Midwinter Meeting. Online registration is available through the [ALA 2018 Midwinter website](#).

For questions about the ALCTS Midwinter Symposium or other ALCTS Midwinter programming, please contact [Megan Dougherty](#), ALCTS Program Officer, Continuing Education. View a

[comprehensive listing of ALCTS events at Midwinter](#) and follow ALCTS on social media using #alctsmw18 for the latest details on ALCTS Midwinter programming.

3c. JCDL 2018: Joint Conference on Digital Libraries

The ACM/IEEE Joint Conference on Digital Libraries in 2018 (JCDL 2018) will be hosted by three units of the University of North Texas (UNT) — the College of Information, the UNT Health Science Center, and the UNT Libraries. It will be held at the UNT Health Science Center in Fort Worth, the rustic and artistic threshold into the American West. Its co-organizer includes the School of Information Management at Wuhan University. Theme: From Data to Wisdom: Resilient Integration across Societies, Disciplines, and Systems.

Communities Welcomed: JCDL welcomes interesting submissions ranging across theories, systems, services, and applications. We invite those managing, operating, developing, curating, evaluating, or utilizing digital libraries broadly defined, covering academic or public institutions, including archives, museums, and social networks. We seek involvement of those in iSchools, as well as working in computer or information or social sciences and technologies. Multiple tracks and sessions will ensure tailoring to researchers, practitioners, and diverse communities including data science/analytics, data curation/stewardship, information retrieval, human-computer interaction, hypertext (and Web/network science), multimedia, publishing, preservation, digital humanities, machine learning/AI, heritage/culture, health/medicine, policy, law, and privacy/intellectual property. More information at <http://2018.jcdl.org/>.

3d. 2018 CLA Annual Convention

[Catholic Library Association Annual Convention](#) is going virtual, Wednesday, April 18, 2018 from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Eastern. Speakers will include award winners Father Bryan Massingale and Father James Martin. More information will be posted soon but be sure to SAVE THE DATE!

3e. 2018 American Theological Library Association

The 2018 American Theological Library Association (ATLA) Annual Conference – “Connections at the Crossroads, Creating Collaboration in a Changing Landscape” -will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, on June 13-16, at the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis. The conference will bring together a wealth of educational programs, interest group meetings, excursions, and events. For more information, please click [here](#).

3f. More on Conferences

Listing of digital library meetings, workshops, and conferences, as well as other activities associated with digital libraries research and technologies, click on Digital Library Federation [DFL Community calendar](#)

4. Grant Opportunities

Michigan State University Libraries publishes a compilation of web pages and books of potential interest to nonprofit organizations seeking funding opportunities related to religion. Please go to [Grants for Nonprofits: Religion and Social Change](#) . Also for Faith Based Grants, check out GrantWatch for faith based grants supporting at-risk youth, crime victims and community organizations. 86 Faith Based Grants available at <https://www.grantwatch.com/cat/11/faith-based-grants.html>. Library of Congress published a Foundation Grants for Preservation in Libraries, Archives, and Museums list, to access the 2010 edition go to <https://www.loc.gov/preservation/about/foundtn-grants.pdf>

OPPORTUNITY NUMBER	OPPORTUNITY TITLE	AGENCY NAME	POSTED DATE	CLOSE DATE
20180313-HT	Institutes for Advanced Topics in the Digital Humanities	NEH	1/11/2018	3/13/2018
20180222-FS	Summer Seminars and Institutes	NEH	12/22/2017	2/22/2018
LB21-FY18-2	Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program	IMLS	11/29/2017	6/8/2018
EDITIONS-201806	Publishing Historical Records in Documentary Editions	NARA	11/29/2017	6/13/2018
EDITIONS-201810	Publishing Historical Records in Documentary Editions	NARA	11/29/2017	10/4/2018
STATE-201806	State Board Programming Grants	NARA	11/29/2017	6/13/2018
LB21-FY18-1	Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program	IMLS	7/20/2017	1/16/2018
NLG-LIBRARIES-FY18-1	National Leadership Grants for Libraries	IMLS	7/20/2017	1/16/2018
MAJOR-201807	Access to Historical Records: Major Initiatives	NARA	7/14/2017	7/11/2018
PRELIM-201801	Access to Historical Records: Major Initiatives (Preliminary)	NARA	7/14/2017	1/18/2018
20180116-HAA	Digital Humanities Advancement Grants	NEH	11/15/2017	1/16/2018

Source <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html>