ACRL programs at the 2018 ALA Annual Conference
A brief overview

ACRL Board of Directors
• Board of Directors Meeting I–Saturday, June 23, 1:30–5:30 p.m.
• Board of Directors Meeting II–Monday, June 25, 1:30–4:30 p.m.
During Board I, there will be an open microphone period from 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. Note that this period cannot be used to request that the Board take an immediate action. All guests planning to address the Board during the open microphone session are asked to arrive by 5:00 p.m.

ACRL President’s Program
Saturday, June 23, 2018
Beyond Resilience: Crafting a Caring Organization, 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Join ACRL President Cheryl A. Middleton for the ACRL President’s Program at the 2018 ALA Annual Conference in New Orleans. A well-attended program at ACRL 2017 challenged academic librarians to think critically about how the term resilience is used to shift responsibility for success and survival to individuals, while silencing conversations about structural inequalities. In this follow up, Beyond Resilience: Crafting a Caring Organization, panelists will share stories describing how they have dealt with major change and challenges, and discuss steps to shape responsive and caring organizations.

Preconferences
ACRL is offering two in-depth preconferences on Friday, June 22, 2018. Note: Pre-registration is required for all preconferences. Visit www.acrl.org (click on “Conferences & eLearning” for details).

Annual Conference information online
Find complete details on ACRL programs in New Orleans on the ACRL at Annual Conference web page. Go to www.ala.org/acrl, select “Conferences & Events,” and click on “ACRL 2018 Annual Conference Presentations” for the latest details.
Locations for programs and a complete listing of ACRL meetings, along with discussion group and interest group information, will be available in the Annual Conference Scheduler. Fully registered attendees can create a personalized agenda and search for meetings, programs, and event times and locations.
The Annual Conference Scheduler will be available on the conference website at http://2018.alaannual.org/.
Friday, June 22, 2018. Assessment in Action: Demonstrating and Communicating Library Contributions to Student Learning and Success. ACRL Preconference @ ALA Annual Conference, 8:30 a.m.–4:00 p.m. In this daylong preconference on strategic and sustainable assessment, learn to identify institutional priorities and campus partners, design an assessment project grounded in action research, and prepare a plan for communicating the project results. This preconference is based on the highly successful ACRL Assessment in Action program curriculum.

Friday, June 22, 2018. Deconstructing Digital Scholarship Consultations in the Library. ACRL Preconference @ ALA Annual Conference, 12:30–4:00 p.m. If you’re a liaison librarian or functional specialist curious about how to translate your skills and approaches to reference interviews into strategies for consulting on digital scholarship topics, this hands-on preconference is for you. Learn an overview of the digital scholarship landscape in different emerging topical areas, including research data management, digital humanities, and geospatial data. Delve into breakout sessions featuring hands-on exercises working through different scenarios drawn from the facilitators’ personal experiences.

Other session highlights

Saturday, June 23, 2018

Creating Information Literacy Frameworks: Examples and Ideas for ACRL Sections and Interest Groups, 10:30–11:30 a.m. This discussion will focus on the development of disciplinary information literacy frameworks. It is an opportunity for groups updating disciplinary standards, or creating new documents, to share their processes and progress, and have an opportunity to ask questions. The forum will be hosted by the ACRL Information Literacy Frameworks and Standards Committee with short presentations from the members of the Anthropology and Sociology Section, Education and Behavioral Sciences Section Instruction for Educators Committee, and Literatures in English Section (LES) Working Group to Update the LES Research Competencies.

Student Learning and Information Literacy Committee Discussion Forum, 10:30–11:30 a.m. Student Learning and Information Literacy Committee Discussion Forum.

ACRL/SPARC Forum (ACRL), 2:30–3:30 p.m. Through its standing Research and Scholarly Environment Committee, ACRL sponsors a regular forum at both the ALA Midwinter Meeting and ALA Annual Conference to broaden the base of librarians who are knowledgeable about and engaged in scholarly communication issues. The highly popular forum series is cosponsored by the Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition. The topic and speakers are chosen 60 to 90 days before the conference based on issues that are most relevant at that time.

Sunday, June 24, 2018

ACRL Framework for Information Literacy Update (SLILC Discussion Forum), 10:30–11:30 a.m. Student Learning and Information Literacy Committee Discussion Forum of ACRL Framework for Information Literacy Update.

Update on the ACRL Academic Library Trends and Statistics Survey, 2:30–3:30 p.m. This meeting will bring attendees up to date concerning the elimination of the NCES Academic: Library Survey and the migration of some components into IPEDS (Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System). Implications for the annual ACRL Academic Library Trends and Statistics survey will be discussed.

Research Agenda on the Research Environment and Scholarly Communication System Working Session, 4:00–5:30 p.m.
After an open and competitive request for proposals, a team of researchers has been selected to design, develop, and deliver a new report on effective and promising practices within the research environment and scholarly communication system, and identify areas where further research is needed. The researchers will be particularly looking to include the perspectives of historically underrepresented communities to expand the profession’s understanding of these environments and systems. This meeting is a broad, inclusive work session that will engage participants in the prioritization of important scholarly communication topics through a mix of discussion and dynamic activities.

ACRL special events at ALA Annual Conference

Friday, June 22

College Libraries Section. Friday Night Feast, Bourbon House, 144 Bourbon Street, pre-registration is required, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Contact: Jonathan Harwell, jharwell@rollins.edu.

Community and Junior College Libraries Section. Awards and dinner meeting, Borgne, 426 Gravier Street, pre-registration is required, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Contact: Sandy C. McCarthy, mccarthy@wccnet.edu.

Education and Behavioral Sciences Section. Good as Gold: The ACRL EBSS 50th Anniversary Celebration, Red Fish Grill, 115 Bourbon Street, pre-registration is required, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Contacts: Scott Collard, scott.collard@nyu.edu, and Nancy O’Brien, npobrien@illinois.edu.

Anthropology and Sociology Section/

Politics, Policy and International Relations Section. Social, TBD, RSVP requested, 7:30–9:30 p.m. Contact: Sara Arnold-Garza, sarnoldgarza@towson.edu.

Saturday, June 23

University Libraries Section. Social, location TBD, no registration is required, 5:30–7:00 p.m. Contact: Joshua Seymour, seymourjosh8@gmail.com.

Women and Gender Studies Section. Evening at the Newcomb Archives of Tulane University, pre-registration is recommended, 6:30 p.m. Contact: Katherine Ahnberg, ahnberg@pobox.upenn.edu.

Sunday, June 24

Distance Learning Section. Award Luncheon, pre-registration is required, 1:00–2:00 p.m. Contact: Rebecca Nowicki, Rebecca.nowicki@ashford.edu, and Cynthia L. Thomes, Cynthia.thomes@umuc.edu.

Digital Scholarship Section. Social, location TBD, no registration is required, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Contact: Brianna Marshall, briannahmarshall@gmail.com.

Science and Technology Section. Dinner, TBD, pre-registration is required, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Contact: Rachel Hamelers, rhamelers@muhlenberg.edu, and Sara Gonzalez, saragonz@ufl.edu.

European Studies Section. New Orleans Dinner Cruise, 1 Poydras St., pre-registration is required, 6:00–9:00 p.m. Contact: Joanneke Elliott, joanneke@email.unc.edu, and Manuel Ostos, Manuel.Ostos@psu.edu.
ACRL Discussion Groups

**Assessment**: Saturday, June 23, 4:00–5:00 p.m. *Topic*: The ACRL Assessment Discussion group is an informal forum for discussing current topics in library assessment and serves as an opportunity for networking with colleagues. All are welcome.

**Balancing Baby and Book**: Sunday, June 24, 4:00–5:00 p.m. *Topic*: The Balancing Baby and Book Discussion Group is a fun and informal group that includes all types of librarians—moms, dads, new parents, potential parents, and anyone else interested in how parenting and librarianship can be successfully intertwined. Human resources issues, daycare, tenure, and a variety of other topics can be discussed. Everyone is welcome.

**Copyright**: Saturday, June 23, 10:30–11:30 a.m. *Topic*: The ACRL Copyright Discussion Group will be reviewing and discussing legislative, judicial, and regulatory developments related to copyright and libraries in higher education.

**Leadership**: Saturday, June 23, 1:00–2:00 p.m. *Topic*: Leading with Linked Data in Academic Libraries.

**Learning Commons**: Saturday, June 23, 1:00–2:00 p.m. *Topic*: Service, staffing, and space in the learning commons.


**Philosophical, Religious, and Theological Studies**: Sunday, June 24, 4:00–5:00 p.m.

**Personnel Administrators and Staff Development**: Saturday, June 24, and Sunday, June 24, 8:30–10:00 a.m. *Topic*: A discussion of topical issues, emerging trends, and best practices by personnel and staff development officers.

**Scholarly Communication**: Sunday, June 24, 2:30–3:30 p.m. *Topic*: Come learn more about the new research agenda that’s been commissioned to examine the research environment and scholarly communication system and provide an overview of trends, identify effective and promising practices, and delineate important questions where deeper inquiry is needed to accelerate the transition to more open, inclusive, and equitable systems of scholarship.

**Undergraduate Librarians**: Sunday, June 25, 10:30–11:30 a.m. *Topic*: Join us to share your ideas, approaches, success stories, and lessons learned about serving undergraduate populations. Previous topics have included events to increase engagement, effective campus partnerships, interactions with student groups, and more.