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Editorial

Welcome to the Spring 2017 *African, Asian and Middle East Section Newsletter!*

In this very short issue, you will find:

- A summary of upcoming conferences in African, Asian and Middle East Librarianship
- Some ACRL-related news

Wishing you a wonderful Summer,

Anaïs Salamon

What's coming up in our fields?

Date(s)	Conference
June 9-18, 2017	Japan Studies Association's Workshop on Okinawa , Okinawa, Japan. For more information: http://www.japanstudies.org/workshop-on-okinawa-june-2017.html
June 9-11, 2017	Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast Conference (ASPAC) , Willamette University, Salem, OR. For more information: http://www.willamette.edu/centers/cas/aspac/index.html
July 3-5, 2017	Middle East Librarians Committee International (MELCom International) conference , Cambridge University Library, Cambridge, U.K. For more information: http://www.melcominternational.org/?page_id=793
July 8-9, 2017	21st Asian Studies Conference Japan (ASCJ) , Rikkyo University. For more information: http://www.meijigakuin.ac.jp/~ascj/
Summer 2017	Western Conference of the Association for Asian Studies (WCAAS) , Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX. For more information: http://wcaas.org/index.php
September 15-17, 2017	66th Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs (MCAA) , University of Notre-Dame, Notre-Dame, IN. For more information: http://www.eaps.illinois.edu/mcaa-2016/
September 23-24, 2017	New York Conference on Asian Studies (NYCAS) , Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY. For more information: https://nycas2017.wordpress.com/
October 6-8, 2017	46th annual Mid-Atlantic Region Association for Asian Studies (MARAAS) conference , Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA. For more information: http://maraas.org/maraas-conference
November 15-17, 2017	Middle East Librarians Association (MELA) annual meeting , Washington, D.C. For more information: http://www.mela.us/annual-conference/information/
November 16-18, 2017	60th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association , Chicago Marriott Downtown Magnificent Mile, Chicago, MI. For more information: http://www.africanstudies.org/annual-meetings/
November 18-21, 2017	Middle East Studies Association (MESA) annual meeting , Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington, D.C. For more information: http://mesana.org/annual-meeting/

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- Engaging in organizational change or redesign of your library's structure or roles?
- Applying the ACRL Standards for Libraries in Higher Education?
- Planning and executing a library program review or preparing for accreditation self-study?
- Holding retreats for administrative teams, departments, or all staff?
- Growing the leadership abilities of your staff?

ACRL Consulting Services consultants can help you! We help plan, design, and facilitate academic library processes and events. To discuss your library's needs, contact Howard Prager at hprager@ala.org; tel. (312) 280-2511. www.acrl.org/acrl/consulting



ACRL Instruction Section preconference @ 2017 ALA Annual Conference

The ACRL Instruction Section is offering a full-day preconference in conjunction with the 2017 ALA Annual Conference in Orlando on Friday, June 23, 2017. Complete details, including descriptions, learning outcomes, and registration materials, are [online](#).

[Going with \(and Growing with\) the Framework: Teaching Information Literacy with a Social Justice Lens](#)

Through panel presentations and hands-on workshops, develop strategies and approaches for teaching the *Framework for Information Literacy for Higher Education* that also incorporate a social justice lens. The transition from the Standards to the Framework has been challenging for many librarians, especially because the Framework calls for a conceptual approach to information literacy instruction, instead of relying on measurable, skills-based outcomes. Yet the Framework may provide opportunities for deeper, more transformative learning and challenge students to think more critically about their own power and privilege, as well as the lack of certain voices, within the information ecosystem.

The preconference will focus on those ways in which the Framework overlaps, or is compatible with, critical information literacy – information literacy that focuses more on social justice, specifically on challenging systems and structures of power associated with the information ecosystem and helping students reflect upon their identities and positions within those systems and structures. Presentations will focus on specific frames, such as Information Has Value and Research as Inquiry, using contexts that range from one-shots to credit-bearing courses to curriculum design at a variety of university and college settings.

Contact Margot Conahan at mconahan@ala.org or call 312-280-2522 with questions.



RBMS 2017 Conference – Early Bird deadline May 19!

The Stories We Tell
Iowa City, Iowa
Tuesday, June 20, 2017 – Friday, June 23, 2017

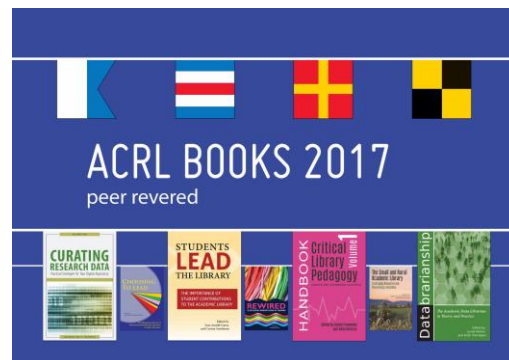
<http://conference.rbms.info/2017/>

Conference housing, tours and workshops are filling fast for what is sure to be an exciting program in Iowa City. If you have yet to register, join us for all of the engaging plenary speakers, fantastic seminars and panel sessions, as well as interactive participatory, poster and experience sessions. We look forward to seeing you there!

Melissa A. Hubbard and Juli McLoone, RBMS 2017 Conference Program Planning Co-Chairs

ACRL Books

ACRL publishes a range of books to assist academic librarians in developing their professional careers, managing their institutions, and increasing their awareness of developments in librarianship, providing timely, thought-provoking, and practical content and research to academic and research librarians worldwide.



Some recent titles:

- The First-Year Experience Cookbook [linked to: <http://www.alastore.ala.org/detail.aspx?ID=12008>]
- Students Lead the Library: The Importance of Student Contributions to the Academic Library [linked to: <http://www.alastore.ala.org/detail.aspx?ID=11995>]
- Choosing to Lead: The Motivational Factors of Underrepresented Minority Librarians in Higher Education [linked to: <http://www.alastore.ala.org/detail.aspx?ID=11971>]
- Curating Research Data, Volumes One and Two [linked to: <http://www.alastore.ala.org/detail.aspx?ID=11962>]

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Bring an ACRL Roadshow to Your Campus!

Looking to strengthen your library's professional skills? ACRL offers a variety of licensed workshops that can be brought upon request to your campus, chapter, or consortia. Led by expert presenters, these full-day immersive workshops are designed to engage participants and help academic librarians strengthen competencies in multiple areas of concentration. Contact Chase Ollis at collis@ala.org for details on pricing and how to bring a workshop to your institution. Current workshops include:

- Assessment in Action: Demonstrating and Communicating Library Contributions to Student Learning and Success
- Building Your Research Data Management Toolkit: Integrating RDM into Your Liaison Work
- Planning, Assessing, and Communicating Library Impact: Putting the *Standards for Libraries in Higher Education* into Action
- Scholarly Communication: From Understanding to Engagement
- Two Paths Converge: Designing Educational Opportunities on the Intersections of Scholarly Communication and Information Literacy
- Using the Framework for Information Literacy for Higher Education (Coming Summer 2017)

For more information about each of these workshops, including program descriptions, learning outcomes, and a sample schedule for the day, visit www.ala.org/acrl/licensedworkshops.

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