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ACRL Instruction Section Library School Outreach Volunteers: Roles and Qualifications

Description:

Outreach volunteers are experienced librarians willing to serve as a resource for library school/information studies students on topics relating to information literacy (IL). Volunteers will provide support to students and departments interested in establishing IL courses, and encourage interest in such courses.

Other duties may include:

- serving as a speaker at student-sponsored programs
- assisting students with the political and procedural process of adding a new course to the curriculum, following the general steps in the course approval process
- communicating about opportunities for professional development within ALA and ACRL
- working with program directors, and curriculum committees
- teaching a course in a library school/information studies department

Generally, one volunteer will be assigned per library school/information studies department for a renewable three-year appointment.

Qualifications:

Volunteers should have significant experience in the area of teaching and/or library instruction, ideally, 5+ years, and be willing to have regular contact with students and faculty. Experience teaching an IL course in a library school/information studies department would be highly desirable. Librarians should be able to visit the campus being served for face-to-face meetings and programs or workshops but may also be effective from a distance using various forms of communication such as phone conferences, video conferences, web conferences, or communication within virtual worlds like "Second Life." Individuals selected will be asked to submit an annual report of activities to _____.

To be considered as an ACRL Instruction Section Library School Outreach Volunteer, contact _____.