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Iowa Chapter's ACRL Report for 2016-17
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Strategic Area: Value of Academic Libraries

Goal: Academic libraries demonstrate alignment with and impact on institutional outcomes.

1. Articulate a research agenda that communicates the value of academic and research libraries.
 - Continue to offer a biannual Research Award.
 - Continue study of information literacy skills of students as they transition into college.
2. Promote the impact and value of academic and research libraries to the higher education community.
 - Spring Conference Keynote speaker Lisa Janicke Hinchliffe presented *Seeing Those We Serve: An Ethos of Hospitality* which highlighted issues related to equity and inclusion, amplifying conversations around diversity, and strategic planning in action.
 - Conference sessions on a wide range of topics: Library support for service-learning in the arts; Expanding library use for key constituents; Developing and implementing a liaison toolkit to measure library impact and perceived value; Outreach programs and activities geared toward students; Conservation and digitization of fragile and rare resources to increase public access into the future; Creating displays that get results
 - Continue to offer biannual Public Relations/Marketing Award
 - Hold annual spring conference with programming designed to meet professional development needs.
3. Build on Assessment in Action to expand community of practice and professional development opportunities.
 - Hosted ACRL webinar Modern Pathfinders, July 2016.
4. Support libraries in advancing issues of equity, access, diversity, and inclusion.
 - Offered conference sessions on: concrete actions librarian can take to make campuses more LGBTQIA+ inclusive, open, and active, including serving as faculty advisor
 - ILA/ACRL member is Chair of ILA ad hoc Committee for Diversity & Inclusion
 - The ILA/ACRL Executive Board wrote statement affirming ILA/ACRL's commitment to diversity and inclusion, December 2016.
 - ILA/ACRL fall conference session on communicating across generations.

Strategic Area: Student Learning

Goal: Advance innovative practices and environments that transform student learning.

1. Challenge librarians and libraries to engage every student with information literacy skills and in a way that is scalable and sustainable.

- Conference sessions: Using stories and non-traditional reading materials to develop information literacy skills; Re-envisioning the library as the nexus of undergraduate research; Challenges of connecting with distance learners; Library support for service-learning in the arts
 - Developed and promoted bibliography of College Readiness in Information Literacy in Scholarly and Professional Literature: K-16 Collaborative Programs; Needs Assessment: What Do Students Know and/or Need to Know in Order to be Prepared for College-Level Work?
2. Increase the impact of information literacy by forming strategic partnerships with relevant organizations
 - Joint ILA/ACRL/IASL (Iowa Association of School Librarians) College Readiness Committee: work on mapping history of school librarians
 3. Build capacity for librarians to collaborate with faculty and other campus partners in instructional and curricular design and delivery that will integrate information literacy into student learning.
 - Conference session: Faculty outreach and partnerships
 4. Articulate and advocate for the role of librarians in setting, achieving, and measuring institutional student learning outcomes.
 - Our Chapter supported letter writing in support of continued funding for IMLS and literacy efforts in the federal budget.
 5. Investigate and advocate for the inclusion of teaching and learning into library and information science school curricula by collaborating with relevant ALA groups and organizations.

Strategic Area: Research and Scholarly Environment

Goal: Librarians accelerate the transition to a more open and equitable systems of scholarship.

1. Increase the ways ACRL is an advocate and model for open dissemination and evaluation practices.
2. Enhance members' capacity to address issues related to scholarly communication, including but not limited to data management, library publishing, open access, and digital scholarship.
 - Promoted the ACRL Research Data Management workshop hosted at the University of Iowa in collaboration with Iowa State and The University of Northern Iowa, fall 2016.
3. Influence scholarly publishing policies and practices toward a more open system.
 - ILA/ACRL sponsored a fall conference panel discussion on promoting and supporting the use of open educational resources in college and university libraries.

Strategic Area: New Roles and Changing Landscapes

Goal: Academic and research library workforce effectively navigates change in higher education environments.

1. Deepen ACRL's advocacy and support for a full range of information professionals.
 - Several members from our chapter participated in ILA in-person Legislative Day, an annual event for librarians to be briefed by ILA lobbyists and to meet with their State Legislators to talk about their concerns.

2. Equip library workforce at all levels to effectively lead, manage, and embrace change.
3. Expand ACRL's role as a catalyst for transformational change in higher education.

Strategic Area: Enabling Programs and Services

1. Education
 - Continue to offer Fall Conference Scholarship Award.
2. Publications
 - Blog posts to promote committee activities and current topics:
<http://www.iowaacrl.org/content/blog>
3. Advocacy
 - Our ACRL Government Relations Representative has actively promoted legislative issues to our chapter, including a virtual legislative day.
4. Member engagement
 - Granted Legacy Awards to recognize long-time members.
 - Continue to use of Facebook group, with 129 members.
 - Continuing to develop our ambassadors program. Ambassadors are charged with promoting ILA/ACRL within their institutions.
 - Profiled 1 long-standing members on association blog, emphasizing their perspectives on the value of ILA/ACRL membership, Sum 2016.