

Mid-Year Report: Public Services Section October 2014

Goal 1: Recruitment, Membership and Leadership in the Profession

PSS promotes mentorship and leadership opportunities within MLA by forwarding MLA Career Development Grant announcements, webinar opportunities, and sending welcome emails to each new member.

Goal 2: Life Long Learning

Public Services Section (PSS) will be sponsoring the following contributed papers sessions at MLA 2015 in Austin, TX:

- a) Title: Keep Libraries Weird: Inviting Everyone to the Party
Cosponsors: History of the Health Sciences Section, Technical Services Section, Medical Informatics Section, Molecular Biology and Genomics SIG. Program contact: Lisa K. Traditi, AHIP
- b) Title: Libraries, Adult Learners, and SOTL, Oh My!
Cosponsors: Educational Media and Technologies Section, Libraries in Curriculum SIG, Medical Library Education Section. Program contact: Lisa K. Traditi, AHIP

Goal 3: Advocacy

Public Services Section sponsors one travel award for PSS members to use to attend the Annual Meeting.

Goal 4: Knowledge Creation and Communication

Section is working on a history of the section and continues to collect photos from members.

The Public Services Section moderates the Expert Searching Listserv and the PSS Listserv.

- Public Services Section Listserv
http://pss.mlanet.org/mailman/listinfo/pss_pss.mlanet.org
- Expert Searching Listserv:
http://pss.mlanet.org/mailman/listinfo/expertsearching_pss.mlanet.org

Goal 5: Partnership

Lisa Traditi, Chair-Elect, has collaborated with other sections and SIGs to sponsor/co-sponsor upcoming MLA'15 sessions. Cosponsors include: History of the Health Sciences Section, Technical Services Section, Medical Informatics Section, Molecular Biology and Genomics SIG, Educational Media and Technologies Section, Libraries in Curriculum SIG, Medical Library Education Section.

Motion

This report is informational and requires no action by the Board of Directors.

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