

<p style="text-align: center;">Research and Professional Development Committee (RPDC) LAUC-I Standing Committee 2011-2012 Report</p>

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Members (End Term): Sheila Smyth (Chair, 2012); Christina Woo (2013); Wanda Jazayeri (2013); Julia Gelfand (2012)

Charge:

The Committee on Professional Development shall

- a. Monitor and provide leadership on ongoing professional development and mentoring opportunities for LAUC-I members.
- b. Coordinate LAUC-I activities associated with the LAUC (System-wide)
 1. "Call for Research Proposals, UC Research Grants for Librarians."
 2. Follow the calendar of projects as provided
 3. Read proposals as requested; and assist to make sure that the calendar is met at UCI
- c. Undertake other duties as directed by the LAUC-I Chair and the Executive Board.

Supplemental Charges (if applicable):

2011-2012 Implementation Tasks:

- a. Work with LAUC I to ensure that membership are aware of the many professional opportunities available to them for conference poster/presentation submissions workshops and/or grant writing, particularly the deadlines.
- b. Work with LAUC system wide to explore themes concerning "the new UC librarian" and ways to research promote projects locally.
- c. Help with the LAUC Irvine project to archive its collections as deeply as possible.
- d. Lead the participation in system wide discussions as requested by the LAUC-I Board and chair.
- e. Perform other duties as assigned.

Summary of Activities:

Charge:

- a. The Chair kept up-to-date the professional development section of the RPDC wiki page (<https://services.adcom.uci.edu/wiki/display/UCILib/RPDC+Research+and+Professional+Development+Committe>). The RPDC had a joint event with the program committee; “LAUC-I -- Post Conference Update” on Feb 16th, 2012. The Chair sent out email reminders to LAUC-I members that their research output could be put into the UCeScholarship Repository and provided links to the procedures/process for getting works added to this repository.
- b. 1. - 3. Julia Gelfand served as the LAUC-I rep for the LAUC Research Proposals and Research Grants. Julia put out the call. All RPDC members read the UCI proposals for grants and worked with the proposal writers to enhance their applications if needed. It was recommended that by LAUC that all grants be funded: 4 research grants, 1 min-grant and 9 presentation grants. The total funding requested was \$21,971 for members in the bargaining unit and \$1,000 for non-members. Julia brought up with LAUC state-wide the issue that these grants are being awarded at the end of each year to the previous year’s applicants rather than for the current year. For example the report submitted to LAUC at the Spring 2012 Assembly noted awards made in FY 2011-12 for submissions made in 2010-11. Some these were for librarians who no longer worked in the UC system.

2011-2012 Implementation Tasks:

- a. See a. above.
- b. Work with LAUC system wide to explore themes concerning "the new UC librarian" and ways to research promote projects locally: The RPDC worked with the LAUC CPG rep (Committee on Professional Governance) Dana Peterman to hold an event on July 26th on the CPG document the “*Future of UC Libraries and Librarians in the 21st Century*”. Participants at the event were divided into 4 groups, each group discussed 1 of the 4 topics below and come up with long and short collaborative actions/goals that the UC libraries can put in place. I came up with topics 1, 3, & 4, and Julia brought up topic 2. Julia and Dana facilitated the event (I was on vac) and Dana submitted the report to the LAUC CPG (<https://services.adcom.uci.edu/wiki/pages/viewpageattachments.action?pageId=373325969&sortBy=date&highlight=Futureofthe+LibrarianForum120726a.docx&>)
 1. Shared Service Models: Ref/Instruction/CD/Tech Services, etc.
 2. Tradition vs. how we change and reinvent ourselves – new roles.
 3. Communication Models.
 4. Training/Professional Development.

- c. Help with the LAUC Irvine project to archive its collections as deeply as possible: As requested by the LAUC-I Chair Pauline Manaka, I put files relating to the RPDC 2011/12 year in the T-Drive in a subfolder called RPDC.

Recommendations for the Future:

Regarding 2011-2012 Implementation Tasks:

b. Work with LAUC system wide to explore themes concerning "the new UC librarian" and ways to research promote projects locally. Recommendations: Review the report Dana wrote and see what suggestions listed can be easily implemented at UCI. Also create a few focus groups from different depts. at the UCI Libraries to come up with more concrete ideas for UCI and/or the UC-system to implement.
