

Alabama Chapter

Value of Academic Libraries: Academic libraries demonstrate alignment with and impact on institutional outcomes.

3. Influence national conversations and activities focused on the value of higher education.

In April 2012 at its annual meeting, AACRL hosted Steven Bell, who discussed with attendees from across the state the idea of leading from the library in an age of disrupted higher education.

4. Develop and deliver responsive professional development programs that build the skills and capacity for leadership and local data-informed and evidence-based advocacy.

As part of its "Best Practices" annual programs at the Alabama Library Association's annual convention, AACRL sponsored Anne Edwards' presentation "Career Planning Assistance for Graduate Students at SLIS" and Jeff Luzius' mini-session "Hosting an In-house Professional Development Day."

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Student Learning: Librarians transform student learning, pedagogy, and instructional practices through creative and innovative collaborations.

1. Build librarian capacity to create new learning environments (physical and virtual) and instructional practices.

As part of its "Best Practices" annual programs at the Alabama Library Association's annual convention, AACRL sponsored Melissa Green's mini-session which dealt with "Five Things to Know About Online Conferencing for Reference and Instruction."

2. Articulate and advocate for the role of librarians in setting, achieving, and measuring institutional learning outcomes.

As part of its "Best Practices" annual programs at the Alabama Library Association's annual convention, AACRL sponsored Harold Goss', Cheryl Cecil's, and Liz Wells' program on "Using LibAnalytics to Tell the Library Story."

3. Increase collaborative programs that leverage partnerships with other organizations in order to support and encourage local and national team approaches.

In October 2011, AACRL together with the Network of Alabama Academic Libraries, and the College, University, and Special Libraries Division of the Alabama Library Association sponsored a workshop on "Cooperative Collection Development," featuring speakers Tim Cherubini (Lyrasis) and Leslie Horner Button (University of Massachusetts Amherst), as well as state-level examples and discussions of collaborative collection efforts, history, and ideas.

Research and Scholarly Environment: Librarians accelerate the transition to a more open system of scholarship.

2. Enhance members' ability to address issues related to digital scholarship and data management.

As part of its "Best Practices" annual programs at the Alabama Library Association's annual convention, AACRL sponsored Robert Burgess' "Electronic Books and Use in the Library."

Enabling Programs and Services

1. Education

As part of its "Best Practices" annual programs at the Alabama Library Association's annual convention, AACRL sponsored Melissa Green's "Doing More for Less: Windows and Mac Accessibility Features" and Carey Heatherley's "Founding an Archive" as part of its mini-sessions.

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3. Advocacy

AACRL sponsored a program at the Alabama Library Association's annual convention on "Library Advocacy: Clear and Simple" featuring speaker Marilyn Ochoa as well as state level examples and discussions of library advocacy. In 2011-2012, the Government Relations Committee of AACRL created a Facebook page for advocacy in the state, and is also creating a LibGuide to provide further information for librarians interested in advocacy.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Government-Relations-Committee-of-the-Alabama-Chapter-of-ACRL/217851168266830> Additionally, AACRL provided access to and advertised our annual stipends to assist academic librarians who wanted to attend National Legislative Day 2012.

4. Member Engagement

In March, August, and December, AACRL publishes its newsletter to members.