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Executive Committee Welcome

By CJCLS Chair, Prof. Michael Miller, MLS,

Greetings CJCLers!

I hope your Fall '16 semester has been easy and that you're all able to enjoy new innovative services and programs you've developed.

Here at Bronx Community College as part of the City University of New York, we're ramping up the OER Z-degree grant effort which was awarded to the CUNY Libraries. We know that this effort will augment college efforts for reducing "time-to-graduation" averages and success by enlivening learning objects across our L.A. & S. History degree. After the pilot, we'll realize broader impact as the Z-Degree options can be picked up across the core gen-ed courses.

Angling for impact is what we do best. What innovations are you pursuing now? How do you need our collective voice and practice to demonstrate your value and impact at home? The ACRL Community College Engagement Task Force has convened and will be surveying us for concerns and ideas. I encourage you to share your experiences. Watch for the surveys, and come visit and collaborate with us at the all-committees meetings scheduled for the Mid-Winter conference in Atlanta. Your ideas will define how we grow stronger in work, professional development, and advocacy.

Prof. Michael Miller - Chair

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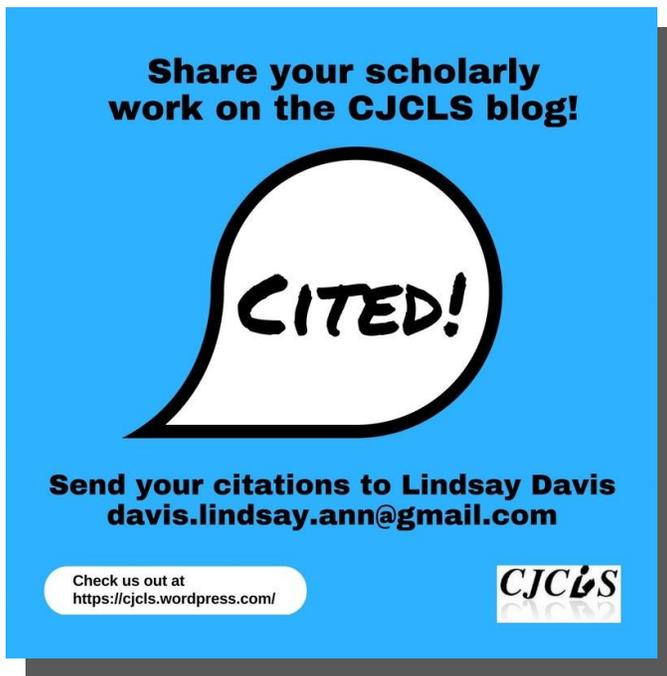
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Membership Committee Updates

We are happy to announce a new member of the membership committee:

Stephanie DeLano Davis currently serves as Library Director at Jackson College in Michigan. She holds a Master of Science in Librarianship from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign as well as a MBA from Spring Arbor University. A community college graduate, Stephanie enjoys supporting student success and learning by advocating for strong campus support of the Library. She has served on the CJCLS Awards Committee and also spent two years representing the Michigan Academic Library Association as a member of the ACRL Chapter's Council.

Awards Committee Updates

The Awards Committee is now accepting applications for the following two awards:

1. [EBSCO Community College Learning Resources Program Award](#)
2. [EBSCO Community College Learning Resources Leadership Award](#)

Deadline for applications: December 2

Nominate a deserving librarian or nominate yourself! Each award winner receives \$750 and a plaque sponsored by EBSCO Information Services.

OER News

- A [major community college OER initiative](#) is being facilitated by the Achieving the Dream organization.
- This grant-funded initiative explicitly excludes library-licensed resources.
- Are you interested in forming a CJCLS-OER Committee? [Email](#) the newsletter editor.

ACRL Board Elections

- CJCLS member José Aguiñaga is running for election to the ALA/ACRL Board of Directors.
- Learn more about [the election](#).

National Council for Learning Resources

This report provides an update from the National Council for Learning Resources (NCLR), an Affiliate Council of the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC).

We must apply for 501c3 status as an organization.

AACC is changing their relationships with Affiliate Councils beginning in 2017. One of the requirements is that NCLR be a 501c3 organization. Because it is essential to maintain a library voice within the AACC organization, I am in the process of preparing for an application to the IRS and to the State of North Carolina to become a 501c3 organization. The application fee has been reduced for smaller organizations (less than \$10K yearly revenue). That is a positive development. There is an EZ form as well. We do need leadership volunteers who will agree to be listed on the application. Please contact David Wright wrightd@surry.edu if you are interested.

Updating the Information Literacy Position statement.

Another immediate project is to replace the AACC Position Statement on Information Literacy (2008) to reflect the recent changes in the ACRL Framework for Information Literacy. The current Position Statement can be found at: <http://www.aacc.nche.edu/About/Positions/Pages/ps05052008.aspx>. A new position statement must be sponsored by an AACC Commission. José Aguiñaga, the ACRL Liaison to the Commission on Research, Technology, and Emerging Trends, will be working with me and Ann Roselle of Phoenix College on a proposed revision statement. The process can take a substantial amount of time. We hope to be able to craft a statement that will be able to be promoted quickly through the process.

Membership.

We continue to need to grow our membership. The founders of NCLR, who were committed to having a voice for libraries within the AACC organization, a CEO-led group, have mostly retired. We need others to join us and continue to carry on the work of NCLR. Members' dues (only \$25 for individual) pay for things like 501c3 application fees, AACC Membership fees, as well as my travel to the Fall Affiliated Councils and Commissions meeting and the AACC Annual Meeting where NCLR always sponsors a session. Please contact me for more information.

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