

ACRL CLS Medium Sized Libraries DG
6-18-01, 9:30-11 am
Moscone Convention Center 307/309
San Francisco

The topic was *Using ACRL Standards as Assessment Tools*. Over 50 attended and a lively discussion was had. The attendees were all familiar with **ACRL College and Information Literacy Standards** and most were attending the discussion group to learn about tools and techniques for assessment, especially outcomes assessment. Topics which some up more than once in the discussion: accreditation, collection assessment, techniques and tools for assessment, especially quantitative measures, identifying peers for benchmarking, involving faculty in outcomes assessment, serving the needs of students and the need for standards from ACRL and accrediting agencies which complement and reinforce each other. Attendees shared their experiences and opinions.

No suggestions were made for discussion topics for Midwinter but CLS Executive Board suggested that COLLIB-L be surveyed to select a topic.

Given the high attendance at this discussion group meeting during Annual with all the competing meetings and logistical problems, this slot is a good time for future meetings.

It should be noted that the room presented a communication challenge since the high ceiling absorbed our voices so we couldn't hear the discussion of others but a member volunteered to be Oprah inside the hollow-square arrangement and bring the single microphone to all discussants so we could all hear each other.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo-Ann Michalak, co-chair

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