



## Welcome to the NMRT SASCO Update

The 2011-2012 NMRT Student and Student Chapter Outreach Committee will publish this newsletter once a month. Our goal is to create a resource that organizes and summarizes the news, scholarship information, professional development events, and information on searching for a job/internship that goes out the library community. We aim to please, so if there is an area we are not covering or information you'd like us to include, please don't hesitate to contact your [SASCO liaison](#).

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## News

[Student Chapter of the Year Award Now Accepting Nominations](#)

**Deadline: March 2, 21012**

Is your student chapter looking for fame and extra funds so you can travel to ALA Annual in 2012? If so, consider applying for the NMRT Student Chapter of the Year Award. The award is presented in recognition of a chapter's outstanding contributions to ALA, their school, and the profession. With the award comes \$1,000 to help defray the cost of attending the ALA Annual Conference.

[New Members Round Table 2012/2013 committee volunteers are now being accepted](#)

[Why You Should Join Your State Library Association](#)

[LISning - Information Support Network](#)

All library and information students (and fellow enthusiasts) are invited to join or revisit LISning, a social support network for students and those with a passion for all things LIS to congregate and share information. The network was created to support distance students around the world irrespective of the institution they study at or the particular focus of their studies (i.e. library, archives, record management, or information technology).

[Ever wondered what ALA Council is all about?](#)

NMRT's ALA Councilor, Susan Jennings, will be blogging about her experience at the link above.



## NMRT SASCO Update #2 February, 2012

### Professional Development/Publication Opportunities

#### [ACRL Seeks Committee Volunteers](#)

**Deadline: February 15, 2012**

Committee work is a great way to get more involved in the section and there are committees and interest groups to interest everyone. If you're interested check out the out the volunteer [form](#). Descriptions of the committees and positions can be found [here](#).

#### [2012 LITA National Forum-Call for Proposals](#)

**Deadline: February 17, 2012**

The 2012 National Forum Committee seeks proposals for high quality pre-conferences, concurrent sessions and poster sessions for the 15th annual LITA National Forum to be held in Columbus, OH, October 3 - October 7, 2012. The theme is: New World of Data: Discover. Connect. Remix. We welcome proposals related to all types of libraries: public, school, academic, government, special, and corporate. Proposals on any aspect of library and information technology are solicited. The Forum Committee is especially interested in presentations highlighting projects that are experimental or involve risk-taking. Submit your proposal [here](#).

#### [ALA International Relations Round Table Preconference Committee invites proposals for presentations](#)

**Deadline: February 20, 2012**

The IRRT Preconference Committee is interested in proposals that showcase creative strategies and practices in developing sustainable partnerships with local organizations for our June 22, 2012 program on Innovative Practices. See link for details.

#### [LITA/Ex Libris seeking LIS student authors](#)

**Deadline: February 28, 2012**

The Library and Information Technology Association (LITA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), is pleased to offer an award for the best unpublished manuscript submitted by a student or students enrolled in an ALA-accredited graduate program. The manuscript can be written on any aspect of libraries and information technology. The award consists of \$1,000, publication in LITA's refereed journal, Information Technology and Libraries (ITAL), and a certificate. The deadline for submission of the manuscript is **February 28, 2012**.

#### [Southern Miss University LIS Study Abroad Course](#)

Southern Miss British Studies Program, one of the oldest and largest study-abroad programs in the U.S., will offer a course in Library & Information Science from June 28 - July 29, 2012. Earn 6 hours of credit while learning from distinguished British information specialists who will provide lectures and behind-the-scenes tours in a variety of British libraries, museums, and archives.

#### [A Library Writer's Blog](#)

Maintained by Corey Seeman of the University of Michigan, this blog aggregates writing and presentation opportunities for librarians. Subscribe to the RSS feed for a convenient way to keep up-to-date with professional development opportunities.

#### [The Federal Librarian](#)

An excellent resource for practitioners and students interested in learning about the key issues and opportunities affecting Federal and Armed Forces libraries and information professionals. The entirety of the current issue of the *Federal Librarian* is available [online](#).



## Scholarships & Funding

### [ALA Awards & Grants](#)

ALA offers hundreds of grant and award opportunities throughout the year and for all types of librarians/students. Check out their list of grant opportunities often so that you don't miss out!

### [ARL/Music Library Association Diversity and Inclusion Initiative Call for Applications](#)

#### **Deadline: Rolling**

The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) is now accepting applications for the ARL/Music Library Association (MLA) Diversity and Inclusion Initiative (ARL/MLA DII). It offers minority candidates an opportunity to pursue the master's in library and information science degree while gaining valuable, "hands-on" experience in a large academic music library environment. The goal is to increase the number of underrepresented racial/ethnic minorities within academic music librarianship by providing support for the graduate education and the practical experience critical for successful entrance into the profession. The ARL/MLA DII Scholarship offers a generous compensation package for each program participant. Click [here](#) for more information.

### [Society of American Archivists Scholarships](#)

#### **Deadline for all: February 28, 2012**

- [GERALD HAM SCHOLARSHIP](#)  
\$7,500 in financial support to graduate students in their second year of archival studies at a United States university.
- [MOSAIC SCHOLARSHIP](#)  
\$5,000 in financial support to minority students pursuing graduate education in archival science. Must be citizen or permanent resident of the United States or Canada.
- [JOSEPHINE FORMAN SCHOLARSHIP](#)  
\$10,000 in financial support to minority students pursuing graduate education in archival science. Must be citizen or permanent resident of the United States.
- [DONALD PETERSON STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD](#)  
\$1,000 in support of registration, travel, and accommodation expenses to attend SAA Annual Meeting in San Diego in August 2012. Must be a SAA member who is currently enrolled in a North American archival education program or who graduated from an archival education program in the previous calendar year.
- [HAROLD T. PINKETT MINORITY STUDENT AWARD](#)  
Complimentary registration and related expenses for hotel and travel to attend SAA Annual Meeting in San Diego in August 2012. For minority undergraduate and graduate students.



## Open Jobs & Internships

### [Digital Public Library of American Seeks Interns](#)

**Deadline: February 12 2012**

The [Digital Public Library of America](#) is seeking interns for the summer (June 4 - August 10, 2012) through the 2012 Berkman Center for Internet & Society Summer Internship Program. Interns, or Berkterns as they sometimes called, will jump head first into the swirl of the Berkman universe, where they will be deeply and substantively involved in research projects and efforts for the DPLA. Summer internships are full time positions (35 hours/week) for 10 weeks and our Summer 2012 program runs from Monday, June 4 through Friday, August 10. Interns are paid \$11.50 an hour. No other benefits are provided, and interns must make their own housing, insurance and transportation arrangements. Please be forewarned that payment may not be sufficient to cover living expenses in the Boston area, so interns should plan accordingly.

### [Emory University Libraries Research Library Fellow program](#)

**Deadline: February 15, 2012**

Emory University Libraries announces a new Librarian Fellows Program. We invite applications from graduates with master's degrees in information studies or library/information science awarded between May 2011 and June 2012. Fellows will be appointed to two-year term positions with start dates that may occur between summer and early fall 2012.

### [Smithsonian Libraries Accepting Professional Development Internship Applications](#)

**Deadline: March 12th, 2012**

The Smithsonian Libraries will award up to three paid internships for graduate students interested in working in research and museum libraries for the summer of 2012. The internships cover specific areas of librarianship, including technical services, digital projects and research, and reference and reader services. See website for available projects and requirements.

### [Data Curation at the Library of Congress Residency](#)

**Organizers plan to start taking applications this summer.**

Recently, the Library of Congress, Office of Strategic Initiatives, partnered with the Institute of Museum and Library Services to create a residency program focused on digital curation. Application for the six-month residency program will be open to postgraduate students later this year. For more information on this exciting collaboration, please follow click [here](#).



## Job Hunting Resources

[LIS WIKI: "HOWTO: Apply for a library job"](#)

### [Open Cover Letters](#)

Wondering what your cover letter should look like? Tired of looking at all those online templates? Check out [Open Cover Letters](#), which is full of anonymous cover letters from **hired** librarians and archivists.

### [How to Choose Good References](#)

"When a hiring manager is trying to decide among candidates, the words of someone familiar with the applicant may tip the scale one way or the other. Are your references providing maximum advantage?"

[New Report: "Internships, Fellowships, and Other Work Experience Opportunities in the Federal Government"](#)

[I Need a Library Job](#)

[LibGig](#)

[ALA JobList](#)