

**American Library Association
Committee on Accreditation**

Actions Taken –Annual Conference 2010

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Members of the 2009-2010 ALA Committee on Accreditation: Vicki L. Gregory (Chair), Brian L. Andrew, Gail W. Avery, James A. Benson, Ken Haycock, Lynne Howarth, Joseph Janes, John P. Mulvaney, Daniel O. O'Connor, Donna M. Shannon, David Werner, Joyce C. Wright.

The Committee on Accreditation took the following actions at its June 26-27, 2010, meeting:

Accreditation Decisions

Continued accreditation status was granted to the following programs with the next visit scheduled to take place in spring 2017:

- Master of Science in Information offered by the University of Michigan.
- Master of Information offered by the University of Toronto.

Continued accreditation status and release from conditional status was granted to the following programs with the next visit scheduled to take place in spring 2017:

- Master of Library and Information Studies offered by the University of Rhode Island.
- Master of Library Science and Master of Arts in Library Science offered by Texas Woman's University.

Conditional accreditation status was granted to the following program with the next visit scheduled to take place in spring 2013:

- Master of Library Science offered by Southern Connecticut State University.

External Review Panel Appointments

- Approved External Review Panels (ERP) for fall 2011 comprehensive review visits to: University of California, Los Angeles; University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; Kent State University; Queens College, CUNY; and Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey.
- Approved ERP chairs for spring 2012 comprehensive review visits to: University at Buffalo, SUNY; Indiana University; Louisiana State University; University of Missouri, Columbia; and University of Southern Mississippi.

Committee Matters

- Reviewed draft agenda for COA fall meeting taking place November 19-21, 2010.

- Reviewed results of the Office for Accreditation survey of external review panelists that was conducted to obtain feedback on the possible changing of external review panels from six to four members.
- Honored outgoing COA members Gail Avery and Donna Shannon.
- Conducted an open meeting entitled *Accreditor Perspectives on Standards Development and Use of Competency Statements*. The Committee on Accreditation moderated a panel discussion with accreditors of the professional degrees in Public Health and in Public Affairs and Administration, who offered their perspectives on standards review and the role of competency statements.