

**American Library Association  
Committee on Accreditation**

**Accreditation Decisions and Actions Taken – Midwinter Meeting, Denver  
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At its Midwinter Meeting, held February 10-11, 2018, the ALA Committee on Accreditation (COA) took the following actions:

**Accreditation Decisions**

The May 2017 policy revision to [section I.15 \(Accreditation decisions\)](#) of [Accreditation Process, Policies, and Procedures \(AP3\)](#) has been implemented to enhance public disclosure and goes into effect with the 2018 accreditation decisions. The policy states that “any [standard](#) on which a program has follow-up reporting is made public by the Office for Accreditation as a part of the usual means (e.g., [press release](#), [Accreditation Decisions and Actions Taken reports](#), and [Prism](#)).”

Continued Accreditation status was granted to the following programs, with the next comprehensive review visit scheduled to take place in fall 2024:

- Master of Science in Library and Information Science at Drexel University. Standards cited for follow-up reporting: II.1, II.2.1, II.3, III.10, IV.1, IV.4, IV.5, IV.5.1 through IV.5.6, V.3.
- Master of Science in Library and Information Science at Simmons College. Standard cited for follow-up reporting: V.3.
- Master of Library and Information Science at St. Catherine University. No Standards cited for follow-up reporting.
- Master of Library and Information Science at the University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee. Standards cited for follow-up reporting: I.1.4, I.5, III.1, IV.1, V.3, and V.7.

**External Review Panel Appointments**

- Approved External Review Panels (ERP) for spring 2019 comprehensive review visits to Chicago State University; Indiana University, Bloomington; Indiana University - Purdue University, Indianapolis; Louisiana State University; University of Southern Mississippi.
- Approved ERP chairs for fall 2019 comprehensive review visits to University at Albany, State University of New York; University of Arizona; Dalhousie University; and Florida State University.

### **Other Committee & ALA Matters**

- Met with one program at the request of the program.
- Discussed a proposed revision to policy I.10 - Candidacy status and Initial accreditation.
- Discussed the structure of the comprehensive review site visits for Indiana University – Bloomington and Indiana University - Purdue University.
- Discussed the January 15, 2018, meeting with the ALISE Board of Directors.