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ALA Connect Update: in the Fall of 2016 ALA plans to replace the current Connect with a much-improved version. Information below will be updated where applicable.

ALA Connect
ALA Connect is the main workspace for the Board and all committees. It can be used to share documents, post committee minutes, and as a discussion list (listserv), which is why we don't maintain separate division/section committee discussion lists. Every division level and section level committee has its own space in Connect.

Connect Basics
If you haven't used Connect, go to the site and login with your ALA ID/password. You'll find the committees and groups that you're part of in the left-hand navigation tabs. When you choose a committee from this list, you'll see all the information for that committee – members, recent documents and discussion, etc. Use the toolbar to filter the content, add new content (with the “Add New” button), etc.

It is best to set your Connect account to automatically receive email notifications when new posts have been added to your committee(s). To do so, click on the account menu in the upper right hand corner of the page and go to "Edit my Notifications". On that page check the boxes next to “Active” for your committees and you’ll receive email notifications of new committee activity. Also under the account menu is where you can edit your profile by adding a picture and other information about yourself, so other ALA members can learn more about you.

Sections in Connect
In addition to space for section committees, there is also a general section community for every section member. These communities are a great way to engage your members and post items of interest.

Section Communities:
Assessment Section BES
http://connect.ala.org/llama_maes http://connect.ala.org/llama_bes
FRFDS HRS
http://connect.ala.org/llama_frfds http://connect.ala.org/llama_hrs
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LOMS  http://connect.ala.org/llama_loms
NPS  http://connect.ala.org/node/229238
PRMS  http://connect.ala.org/llama_prms
SASS  http://connect.ala.org/llama_sass

Section Executive Committee Workspace:
BES  http://connect.ala.org/node/64449
FRFDS  http://connect.ala.org/node/64869
HRS  http://connect.ala.org/node/64361
LOMS  http://connect.ala.org/node/65025
MAES  http://connect.ala.org/node/64885
NPS  http://connect.ala.org/node/218611
PRMS  http://connect.ala.org/node/65353
SASS  http://connect.ala.org/node/65167

Connect Topics
- What can I do on ALA Connect?  http://connect.ala.org/node/70772
- About ALA Connect  http://connect.ala.org/about
- Some more help topics about ALA Connect  http://connect.ala.org/taxonomy/term/9297

Other Electronic Resources

Library Leadership & Management

*LL& M* is LLAMA’s online quarterly journal. It is open access and includes an archives section: [https://journals.tdl.org/llm/index.php/llm](https://journals.tdl.org/llm/index.php/llm). *LL&M* focuses on assisting library administrators and managers at all levels as they deal with day-to-day challenges. In-depth articles address a wide variety of management issues and highlight examples of successful management methods used in libraries. Features include interviews with prominent practitioners in libraries and related fields, and columns with practical advice on managing libraries. The *LL&M* Editor, Brad Eden,  brad.eden@valpo.edu, and Associate Editor, Gary W. White,  gww2@umd.edu, can advise you on publicizing your events and contributing articles to the journal. LLLAMA staff sends an email alert to all members when the latest issue of *LL&M* is available.
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Blog
You can bookmark or subscribe to our blog http://www.llama.alala.org/llamaleads/ where the latest news and information about LLAMA is posted.

Discussion Lists
Make sure to subscribe to our LLAMA Leaders (llamaleaders@ala.org) discussion list to receive messages about LLAMA and ALA.

A number of sections and discussion groups also have discussion lists. See http://lists.ala.org/sympa/lists/divisions/llama for more information or to subscribe.

Website
The LLAMA website (www.ala.org/llama) is also a resource for our volunteers and members. Items posted on our blog automatically post to the homepage. For information on editing your section or committee homepage, see Section 11 of the orientation guide.

Facebook
Become a friend of LLAMA on Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/libraryleadership. Items posted on our blog automatically post to Facebook.

LinkedIn
If you’re part of www.linkedin.com, you may want to join the “library leaders” group. Though not an official LLAMA group, it collaborates with LLAMA and there are always interesting posts on library leadership.

Twitter
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