

**American Library Association  
Committee on Accreditation**

**Actions Taken – 2010 Midwinter Meeting**

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The Committee on Accreditation took the following actions at its January 16-18, 2010, meeting:

Accreditation Decisions

Continued accreditation status was granted to the following programs with the next visit scheduled to take place in fall 2016:

- Master of Library and Information Studies offered by the University of Alabama
- Master of Library and Information Studies offered by McGill University
- Master of Library Science offered by North Carolina Central University
- Master of Library and Information Science offered by the University of South Carolina
- Master of Library and Information Science offered by Wayne State University

External Review Panel Appointments

- Approved External Review Panels (ERP) for spring 2011 comprehensive review visits to: University of Denver, University of Kentucky, University of North Carolina at Greensboro, St. John's University, and University of Western Ontario.
- Approved ERP chairs for fall 2011 comprehensive review visits to: University of California, Los Angeles; University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; Kent State University; Queens College; and Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey.

Committee Matters

- Met with Executive Board Liaison.
- Reviewed draft agenda for COA spring meeting taking place April 16 – 18, 2010.
- Conducted an open meeting entitled *The Role of Commentary in the Standards Review Process*. The discussion focused on the process for reviewing the *Standards for Accreditation of Master's Programs in Library and Information Studies*; how input is gathered from various stakeholders; the importance of this input in the process of revising the *Standards*; and a general timetable for the revision process.
- Reviewed commentary received on the *Standards*.
- Began design of a web-based survey on the *Standards*.