

**American Library Association
Committee on Accreditation**

Accreditation Decisions and Actions Taken – Annual Conference 2016, Orlando

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Members of the 2015-2016 ALA Committee on Accreditation: Joan Howland (Chair), Elizabeth Aversa, Kathleen De Long, Jean Donham, Brad Eden, Joan Giesecke, Robert Holley, Laura Neumann, Irene Owens, Susan Roman, Terry Weech, and Candace Wells.

At its meeting at the 2016 ALA Annual Conference, held June 25-26, 2016, the ALA Committee on Accreditation (COA) took the following actions:

Accreditation Decisions

Continued Accreditation status was granted to the following programs, with the next comprehensive review visit scheduled to take place in spring 2023:

- Master of Science in Library and Information Science at the Catholic University of America (DC);
- Master of Arts in Library and Information Science at the University of Iowa
- Master of Arts in Library and Information Science at the University of South Florida
- Master of Science in Information Sciences at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville.

Candidacy status was maintained for the following program, with the next comprehensive review visit scheduled to take place in spring 2019:

- Master of Science in Library and Information Science at Chicago State University (IL).

External Review Panel Appointments

- Approved External Review Panels (ERP) for fall 2017 comprehensive review visits to Clarion University of Pennsylvania, Drexel University, Simmons College, St. Catherine University, and University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.
- Approved ERP chairs for spring 2018 comprehensive review visits to University at Albany, SUNY; University of Denver; University of Kentucky; University of North Carolina at Greensboro; University of Rhode Island; and University of Western Ontario.

Other Committee & ALA Matters

- Voted to require programs in the ALA accreditation process to submit 2016 statistical data to the Office for Accreditation via the COA Trend Summary spreadsheet, due December 1, 2016, for review at the spring 2017 COA meeting.