

Strategic Area: Higher Education and Research

Goal Area: Learning

1. ACRL expands regional, national and international adoption, use and development of information literacy standards.

This year the HSIG created a task group to put together a list of already existing information literacy standards for health sciences areas and disciplines. We plan on linking this information from our ALA Connect page. If needed, we will work with other ACRL sections or interest groups to create new IL standards for health sciences disciplines or areas where there are not already existing standards.

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Goal Area: Advocacy

2. Increase ACRL's communication on major trends and issues in libraries and higher education.

The HSIG listserv has become increasingly active with members discussing health sciences issues and trends within their libraries.

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3. Strengthen partnerships with other organizations.

HSIG has appointed an unofficial liaison to the Medical Library Association (MLA). MLA already has an official liaison to HSIG.

Strategic Area: The Profession

Goal Area: Continuous Learning

4. Expand ACRL's continuous learning opportunities on advocating the value of the library, the value of the librarian, and the value of information.

HSIG's first program at ALA 2011 in New Orleans will focus on how academic health sciences libraries can partner with public libraries to disseminate consumer health information.

Strategic Area: The Profession

Goal Area: Leadership

1. Develop leadership opportunities for ACRL members and increase professional development offerings on leadership.

HSIG has several committees that provide an opportunity for new professionals and new ACRL members to become involved. Many members on committees in the upcoming year (2011-2012) have never served on an ALA or ACRL committee. Also, all four of our Chairs since the group formed are new to leading an ACRL interest group or section.

Strategic Area: The Association

Goal Area: Membership

1. Expand the appeal of ACRL membership among current members with a special focus on those new to the profession and early in their careers.

Many HSIG members are newer professionals.