



HOSTED BY SCLA AND
THE STUDENT OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Professional Organizations and Career Development

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WHAT IS STUDENT OUTREACH?

The student outreach committee of SCLA and other Library Associations is responsible for acting as a liaison for students and faculty at neighboring Library Schools in the counties and state.

- Provide informational packets and membership forms to institutions on a yearly basis.
- Offer programs to schools in the form of class visits, orientations and webinars.
- Act as a guide for Libraries who are looking to host visits with library school students.
- Make current students aware of what Library Organizations have to offer them and the tools that they can use in the work force.



SUFFOLK COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

SCLA is composed of professionals in the field who are affiliated with libraries and library services. SCLA is a division of NYLA.

- SCLA is made up of 5 different divisions
 - DASL - Division of Academic and Special Libraries
 - RASD - Reference and Adult Services Division
 - YASD - Young Adult Services Division
 - SSD - Support Staff Division
 - CATS - Computer and Technical Services



NEW YORK LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

NYLA leads, educates, and advocates for the advancement of the New York library community.

- NYLA and its sections and roundtables offer programs designed to meet the changing needs of its members. From half-day workshops to day-long seminars, these programs cover a wide variety of timely topics and offer continuing education credit.
- NYLA is a chapter of the American Library Association and has representation on the ALA Council. NYLA's ALA Councilor, representing New York's interests, reports pertinent national developments to NYLA members and the NYLA Council, the Association's Board of Directors.
- All NYLA members have exclusive access to our members-only online membership directory. Complete with tools for networking and special interest bulletin boards, you'll find other NYLA members just like you!



AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

The American Library Association (ALA) is the oldest and largest library association in the world. The mission of ALA is to provide leadership for the development, promotion and improvement of library and information services and the profession of librarianship in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all.

ALA Membership helps you:

- Increase your ability to reach and serve your community
- Meet, connect, and network with professionals from all areas of library work
- Strengthen libraries and the profession
- Enhance your library's effectiveness
- Build and share your knowledge
- Engage in the latest trends and issues
- Discover new technologies and innovations
- Develop leadership skills
- Support and advocate for the public's access to information
- Make an impact on related legislative issues
- Change the world for the better through libraries



ASSOCIATIONS FOR SPECIAL GROUPS AND CAREER PATHS



Medical Library Association



Public Library Association - division of ALA

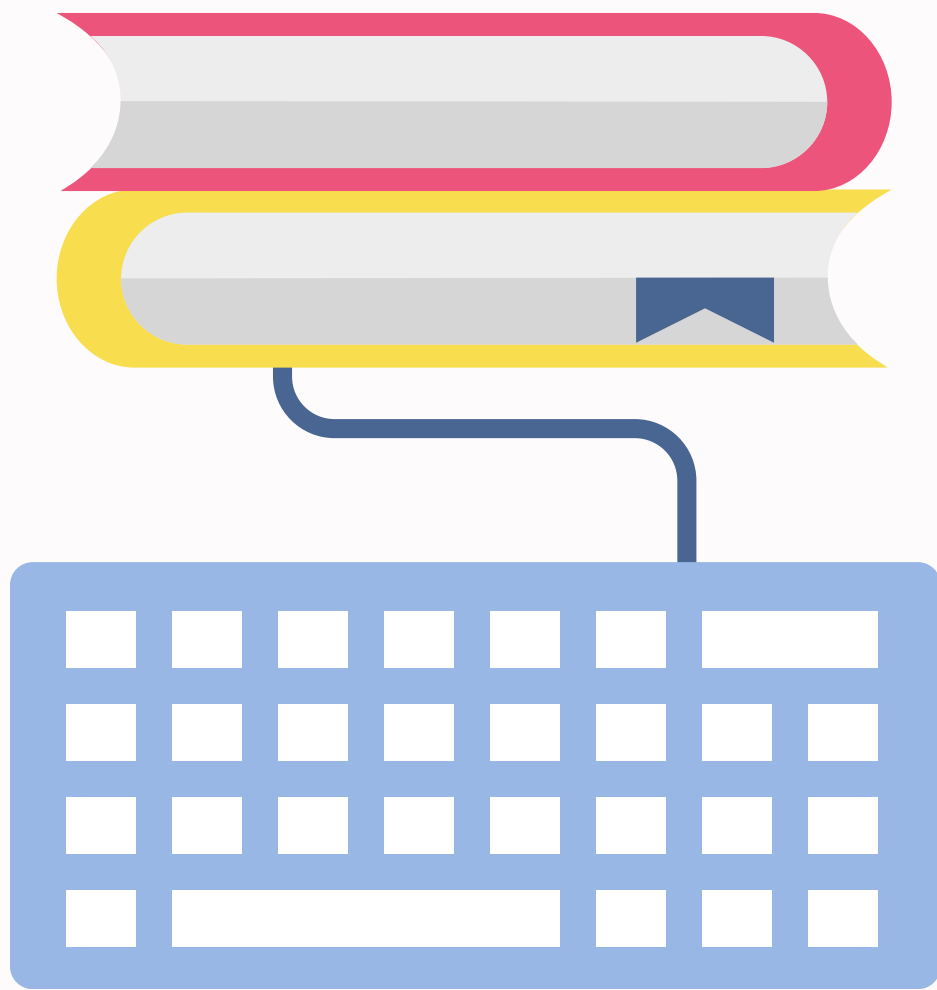


American Association of Law Librarians

American Association of School Librarians - division of ALA



Society of American Archivists



BENEFITS OF JOINING LIBRARY ORGANIZATIONS

- Scholarships may be offered to library students
- Networking
- Professional Development and CEUs (Continuing Education Units)
 - Plan to work in NYS? Click [here](#) for CEU guidelines
- Looks great on a resume
- May help with future civil service tests
- Allows discounts to selected organization related events (conferences, symposiums)
- Less expensive when you are student
- Newsletters with an abundance of quality information
- Access to listservs which includes job postings



MENTORSHIP AND NETWORKING

Put yourself out there! The best way to meet people in the field and to gain knowledge about civil service or job opportunities is to attend events that professionals will be at.

SCLA has hosted:

- Networking nights at local pubs
- Trivia nights at restaurants and via Zoom
- Conferences at local hotels
- Meet and Greet at SCLS

Finding a mentor is a great experience to have while attending library school.

Whether you have worked in libraries for years, or new to the profession all together, having a mentor to guide you along the way can open doors and avenues to experiences you may not have thought of.



ANY QUESTIONS? NEVER HESITATE TO REACH OUT

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