

North Dakota/Manitoba Chapter

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Plan for Excellence Activity Reporting

Value of Academic Libraries

Goal: Academic libraries demonstrate alignment with and impact on institutional outcomes.

2. Promote the impact and value of academic and research libraries to the higher education community.

The North Dakota/Manitoba Chapter hosted its Annual Symposium in Winnipeg on May 4, 2016. One of the panel discussions, entitled High Impact Library Programming, included three presentations: James Kominowski "Archives & Special Collections Programming and Outreach with the University and External Communities"; Jylisa Doney and Lisa Eggebraaten "Facilitating High Impact Programming in the Library: Moving Beyond University Borders to Engage the Community"; and Kathy Block and Sarah Clark "The Long Night Against Procrastination at the University of Manitoba".

3. Build on Assessment in Action to expand community of practice and professional development opportunities.

The 2016 Annual Symposium met in Winnipeg and served as a pre-conference to the Manitoba Library Association's Annual meeting, giving our members an opportunity to engage with Canadian librarians and offering them programming in return.

4. Support libraries in advancing issues of equity, access, diversity, and inclusion.

The keynote address at the Annual Symposium was given by Dr. Alexander Freund, who spoke on the process of gathering archival materials and oral histories from underserved immigrant communities and the impact that this had on preserving memory and increasing understanding among members of the larger community.

Student Learning

Goal: Advance innovative practices and environments that transform student learning.

4. Articulate and advocate for the role of librarians in setting, achieving, and measuring institutional student learning outcomes.

At the Annual Symposium, Jan Horner presented the program "E-Preferred Approval Books at the University of Manitoba: A Comparison of Print and E-Book Usage: Are We Going in the Right Direction", which discussed, among other things, measurements of the impact of different formats on student learning.

Research and Scholarly Environment

Goal: Librarians accelerate the transition to more open and equitable systems of scholarship.

2. Enhance members' capacity to address issues related to scholarly communication, including but not limited to data management, library publishing, open access, and digital scholarship.

At the Symposium, Jenny Grasto moderated a panel on "Developing & Managing Institutional Repositories", which highlighted different ways that universities have established, managed, promoted, and acquired materials for their IRs.

Enabling Programs and Services

Education

Two new webinars were made available to the membership through the chapter and access was provided to previous webinars.

Member Engagement

The Executive Board discussed and developed a list of membership benefits which was included in the membership renewal letters. Former and inactive members were contacted about rejoining the chapter and attending the Symposium. The chapter started a FaceBook page in order to help communication among our far-flung membership.