

CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR INFORMATION PROFESSIONALS

The College of Librarianship Wales offers higher degree programmes leading to the University of Wales Degrees of Master of Librarianship (M Lib) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD).

Candidates are normally graduates with qualifications in librarianship or information science but non-graduate, qualified librarians (eg ALAA) with appropriate experience may also be eligible for consideration.

Research Programme (M Lib/PhD)

The College supervises both full-time and part-time research in most aspects of library and information work. Informal enquiries about research proposals are welcomed.

Study Programmes (M Lib)

An advanced Master's degree may also be awarded after completion of a programme of full-time study, followed by submission of a dissertation.

Specialised Study Programmes

A range of programmes is available in specific areas, including:-

Bibliography and text: the printing and publication of books and their impact on transmission of texts

Audio-visual materials in libraries

Information user groups

Library and information services for health care

Design and evaluation of information systems

Education for library, information and archival studies

Management of learning resources

Use of computers in libraries and information units

Educational technology (M Ed)

School librarianship (M Ed)

Periodicals studies (MA)

Composite Study Programme

In addition, the College offers a composite programme in which the student selects **three** areas of study from a list which includes:

Community information services

Computerised bibliographical searching

Automation in libraries

Information systems analysis

Personnel management in libraries

Library development planning

Libraries and cultural activities

School librarianship and management of learning resources

Curriculum development in library and information science

The book trade and libraries

The development of international bibliographical control

Planning library buildings

Human behaviour in library and information science organisations

IGSS

The College also arranges an International Graduate Summer School through July and August each year. A variety of courses are offered to professionals who wish to update their knowledge in a cosmopolitan environment.

Details of these programmes are available from:

The Registrar (Room 322)
College of Librarianship Wales,
Aberystwyth, Dyfed SY23 3AS
Wales, United Kingdom

Telephone: Aberystwyth (0970) 3181
Telex: 35391 (CLW G)

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Librarianship and Information Studies



VALA Award deadline extended

The closing date for applications for the 1986 VALA Award has been extended to 31 October 1986. The award is to be made by VALA (the Victorian Association for Library Automation) to the library or information centre which has, in the opinion of the judging panel, made the most innovative use of currently available technology to improve the service offered to its users. All libraries and information centres in Australia are eligible for nomination for the award.

Systems nominated for consideration must have been implemented in the period from 1 January 1985 to 30 June 1986, and must have completed a minimum of 3 months operation under normal conditions during that time.

Although the winning system need not be computer based, it must demonstrate a significant commitment to the use of automation to conserve, supplement and/or extend the capabilities of the organisation and its resources, human and financial. Nor will the winning system necessarily be developed totally in-house. If based on a commercially available package, however it will involve a major adaptation or application of the standard package.

Nominations

Nominations must be made by staff of libraries or information centres, or by other interested persons, or by members of the judging panel. In all cases, the written consent of the chief executive officer of the nominated organisation must be obtained before the nomination is submitted.

Nominations should be supported by a clearly typed statement of not more than five A4 pages, double spaced, single sided. The statement should outline:

- (a) The chief function of the nominated system.
- (b) The major hardware and software used by the system.
- (c) Features which, in the opinion of the nominator(s), would make the system eligible for the award.
- (d) The date on which the system was commissioned, and the length of time for which it has been operating.

Closing date

Nomination and submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, Victorian Association for Library Automation, GPO Box 2342V, Melbourne 3000, and sent no later than Friday 31 October, 1986.

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COLLECTION MANAGEMENT LIBRARIAN

Applications are invited from highly motivated, suitably experienced professionals for the position of Collection Management Librarian with the RMIT Libraries.

Applicants should have substantial experience in academic libraries, preferably in the area of collection management. The appointee will be responsible for the proposal and implementation of collection management policies which ensure that the collections of RMIT Libraries support the teaching and research programmes of the Institute. Applications close: 24 October, 1986.

Salary Range: \$31,102 - \$34,822 p.a. Ref: 213/09/D

Phone Personnel Services on (03) 660 2337 for a Position Description and written applications, providing sufficient information to indicate suitability for interview, should be addressed to Senior Appointments Officer:

Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology Limited
GPO Box 2476V, Melbourne Vic. 3001.

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Apartheid and censorship

Jeff Leeuwenberg's suggestion that libraries should cease to supply loans to South Africa by quietly mislaying requests or privately informing requestors that specific items will not be provided, has sparked off some interesting responses.

The LAA's North Queensland Regional Group has issued a special newsletter on the subject. Three letters were published and while all the writers abhorred the South African regime none felt that a librarian could be considered ethically correct to withhold information. Though as Jean Dartnall pointed out it is indeed an ethical dilemma; she said she found it easy to give good pragmatic answers on this issue and very difficult to produce sound philosophical ones.

Any further reader comment?



It is rumoured that a couple of Sydney FODDAites will be in Melbourne around the 21 and 22 November to attend General Council. They look forward to seeing Melbourne FODDAites for barra & buff or at least a drink or two.

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