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Monday, 25 July 2011 to Friday, 29 July 2011.

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Passionate and proud about your LIS career? Use the ALIA PD Scheme as your pathway to professional perfection

The ALIA PD scheme is growing in uptake with an average of one additional ALIA member applying to join the PD scheme each working day. More and more ALIA Associate and Library Technician members are using the ALIA PD scheme as a framework for their professional development. The trend is noticeable. Start earning your right to use the CP post nominal, secure certified practitioner status and be amongst the dedicated professionals who are reaping the rewards of their demonstrated commitment.

ALIA launches new personalised PD and career advisory service

Library and Information Week 2011 will see the launch of a new member-only, personalised Professional Development and Career Advisory Service, assisting members to identify ways to make the most of professional development, upgrade skills, and improve job satisfaction and employment marketability. This service complements ALIA's website resource Career Connect.

If you need assistance with re-entering the workforce, changing LIS sectors, finding the right training to develop your skills or maintaining your professional currency, the Professional Development and Career Advisory Service can help. No matter what your current employment status or career stage - ALIA is your connection to career support.

How does it work? Email pd@alia.org.au to make a booking.

Competitive spirit pays off with free PD

With strong backing from her manager, Victoria Park Library E-Services Librarian Hoi Ng applied for an ALIA PD competition and won a free registration, valued at over \$2000, to attend the Library 2.0 : Advancing library and information services using Web 2.0 tools forum in Sydney, organised by The Ark Group Australia and supported by ALIA.

This one-day forum with speakers from different library sectors and the post-forum workshop facilitated by Kate Davis, Associate Lecture at Queensland University of Technology, has not only given me new insights and practical skills related to the current 2.0 tools, it has also enhanced my understanding of planning and implementing 2.0 services in my library and possibly for other departments within my organisation, including being able to contribute effectively and confidently to the development of my organisation's digital communication strategy. Not to mention all the exciting new web 2.0 plans and training programs which I have in store for my library's customers.

I am a strong believer in ongoing professional development. It is not only a great way for us to take charge of our career development, but by keeping current about the ever-changing information needs, we can provide better library services to our customers. Look out for future editions of PD Postings and take advantage of what may come your way!

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