

ACRL Science and Technology Section  
Strategic Planning Document 2002

This document is intended to support the ACRL Strategic Plan, and to guide the actions of the Section in fulfillment of its goals.

**1.0 Support science/technology librarians in their varied roles and responsibilities within their institutions:**

- 1.1 Facilitate communication with scholars on campuses.
- 1.2 Promote open access to scientific literature.
- 1.3 Communicate the unique abilities and services of science/technology librarians.
- 1.4 Develop and refine professional competencies for science/technology librarians, related to specific roles and responsibilities.
- 1.5 Facilitate the use and application of information literacy in support of teaching and learning.
- 1.6 Promote expertise within science/technology librarianship, especially related to bibliographic control issues and digital management.

**2.0 Promote and publicize the role of science/technology librarians in extra-institutional policymaking via active collaboration and dynamic partnerships:**

- 2.1 Co-sponsor programs and activities with other ACRL sections.
- 2.2 Support programming at local, regional, and national levels.
- 2.3 Advise ACRL on science/technology issues.
- 2.4 Collaborate with appropriate units of the Special Libraries Association and other professional associations.
- 2.5 Collaborate with discipline-based organizations with common goals.

**3.0 Provide opportunities for professional growth and development:**

- 3.1 Regularly assess the programming and continuing education needs of science/technology librarians.
- 3.2 Provide relevant and timely programming at the Annual Conference.
- 3.3 Provide regular opportunities for professional networking, growth, and leadership via a wide range of Section activities.
- 3.4 Publicize and support the continued development of STS digital projects.
- 3.5 Provide mentoring opportunities for science/technology librarians.
- 3.6 Develop active and innovative plans to recruit new librarians to science/technology librarianship.

**4.0 Promote and support research on science/technology librarianship:**

- 4.1 Provide an avenue for publication of peer-reviewed articles related to science/technology librarianship.
- 4.2 Provide an evaluative forum for the presentation of research related to science/technology librarianship.
- 4.3 Investigate options to assist librarians with the processes of research and publication.

**5.0 Facilitate efforts to assess science/technology libraries:**

- 5.1 Consult with appropriate agencies regarding assessment techniques.
- 5.2 Provide opportunities to learn about assessment.

**6.0 Promote access to and understanding of scientific and technical information:**

- 6.1 Become actively involved in the issues of scholarly communication nationally and on campuses.
- 6.2 Interpret and promote information literacy competencies as they relate to scientific literacy.

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