

YALSA Board of Directors Meeting
ALA Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.
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Topic: YALSA Continuing Education Update

Background: Report on the state of YALSA's Continuing Education

In an effort to increase course enrollment rates, YALSA staff has actively promoted its online course offerings through a variety of internal and external communication channels, and has reached out to a variety of state organizations to let them know about the possibility of licensing YALSA courses for presentation.

Course Updates

This spring, YALSA staff made numerous revisions to the online course webpage to make the page easier to navigate and to lessen confusion about YALSA's online course offerings. Updates to the online course page included an FAQ section about online courses and the creation of individual pages for each online course offering.

YALSA staff worked with course instructors to establish YALSA wide course expectations for both students and instructors. The student and instructor expectations will create a sense of cohesiveness among YALSA course offerings and will give students and instructors a clear idea of what they can expect from one another. In addition, YALSA staff developed an ADA statement and a Fair Use statement that will be posted in all YALSA online courses.

Continuing Education Application Process

YALSA staff collaborated with other ALA staff members to complete an application to the International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET), which grants organizations the right to offer Continuing Education Units (CEUs). Currently, an ALA representative is working with an IACET mentor to review the application and make recommended changes. When ALA becomes accredited, participants who enroll in YALSA's online classes will be able to earn CEUs. YALSA staff is currently working to have YALSA's online classes accredited for Library Education Units (LEUs) in Indiana.

YALSA staff continues to work with ALA's International Planning Group to publicize ALA online CE offerings to international library associations.

2) Institutes

In FY10, YALSA presented five Institutes. Four of these Institutes were presented face-to-face and one was delivered as an online class. As of April 30, 2010 total revenue from licensed Institutes was \$6,300 and total expenses were \$2,493.27, which totaled a net

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Mentors and protégés will be matched in November and the program will officially begin in January 2011.

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