Research and Analytics Committee

Charge

The Research and Analytics Committee is an Association Committee charged with advising the Association on its priorities regarding data and analytics, assessment, and evidenced-based decision-making in support of research libraries' roles in, 1) scholarly and scientific production, 2) learning facilitation and learner success, and 3) knowledge access and sustainability.

Membership

- The committee shall be chaired by an ARL member representative appointed by the Board of Directors.
- The committee is composed of 9 to 12 ARL member representatives and member library staff. The majority of the committee is composed of member representatives.
- A Board liaison is a member of the committee.
- The Executive Director appoints a staff lead.

Terms

- The committee chair serves a two-year term; one year in the role of vice-chair, and the second as chair. The only exception beyond two years, is if a member is elected to be vice chair in their first or second year of service.
- A committee member serves a two-year term renewable at the conclusion of year one, or until a replacement is selected, unless the Board of Directors decides in exceptional circumstances that an additional renewal term is justified.
- The Board liaison serves a one-year term.
- The staff lead serves on the committee until reassigned or leaves the Association.

Meetings

The committee meets as needed to conduct the work of its charge; at a minimum, it will meet during the Spring and Fall Association meetings.

Areas of Responsibility

- Develops a strategic agenda that focuses on the impact and outcomes of ARL libraries and archives regarding data collection and analytics protocols, information dissemination practices, and library assessment.
- Provides strategic and timely guidance to the ARL membership on significant developments in this domain.
- Develops annual priorities, and advises on implementation of the committee's work.
- Advises the Executive Director on the ARL Statistics and Salary Surveys.
- Advises the ARL Academy on professional learning and development in the areas of data and analytics, assessment, and evidenced based decision-making.
- Engages with other ARL Association Committees in support of the ARL Action Plan and yearly priorities.
- Advises the Executive Director on partnerships and collaboration with other Associations (i.e. ACRL, IPEDS, etc.) in the areas of data and analytics, assessment, and evidenced based decision-making.

Decision-Making

The committee makes recommendations to the Executive Director, and as appropriate to the Board.

Code of Conduct

The committee adheres to the ARL Code of Conduct in all of its deliberations and activities.

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