

Please select one of the following four options that best describes the existing and likely future opportunity for support for scholarship produced by law librarians at your institution:

#	Question	Available Now	Not Currently Available	Not Currently Available and Unlikely to Become Available	Other	Response	Average Value
1	Scholarly leave from other work	26	13	33	2	74	2.15
2	Scholarly mentoring or feedback on scholarship topic development or drafts	53	11	6	4	74	1.47
3	Deadlines to encourage progress	20	34	16	3	73	2.03
4	Advice about times, places, and ways to publish	52	12	8	1	73	1.42
5	Training in advanced research techniques (i.e. empirical, non-legal, etc.)	20	41	11	1	73	1.90
6	In-house writing workshops	19	38	13	3	73	2.00
7	Travel funding to send librarians to participate in writing workshops	43	21	6	3	73	1.58
8	Travel funding to bring an author in to present a work-in-progress	17	31	21	4	73	2.16
9	Other type of support (please describe):	7	4	2	-	13	1.62

Other type of support (please describe):

Use work time for research and writing

travel funding

monthly meetings to discuss scholarship

promotion

Funding for research

Submission services support

Credit for scholarship in review/promotion process

fixed number of annual study leave; flexible PD budget; grants and awards librarian in wider university library system for funding application support

Participation in faculty workshops, as requested

Encouragement by the Director

casual and collegial support of scholarly efforts

If you selected "Other" on any of opportunities for support for scholarship above, please explain why here:

Text Entry

The law school provides funding to bring authors in to present works-in-progress. Typically these authors are law faculty authors and not law librarian authors, but the law librarians are invited to participate and nothing explicitly excludes bringing in a law librarian author.

Scholarly leave: FSU has a competitive program for professional development leave for non-tenured faculty (our librarians are non-tenured but have long-term contracts). It is not an automatically granted benefit, that's why I categorized it as "other".

Writing workshops: In 2015-16, I chaired a Research Support Working Group (in the main library system but including the law librarians) whose mandate was to identify ways we could support our scholarly activities. We held several workshops during that year. When I stepped down as Chair, the group was disbanded by the Dean. The following summer, a colleague and I created a series of meetings called "Write an article in 7 Weeks" (a riff on the Thesis Whisperer's Write an article in 7 days).

There is travel funding for librarians to present a topic/paper at a conference. This is different than participating in a writing workshop.

We are not required to publish so there isn't any need for deadlines. We can publish if we choose, but it's not a requirement.

There is no support for scholarship produced by members of the law library at Washington & Lee. If anything, there is a penalty for engaging in scholarship. Travel funding is provided for professional development but those funds were also significantly decreased last year. This is disappointing as scholarship is vital to the profession, the individual, the legal academy and those we support.

Informal processes for mentoring and for writing workshops. Scholarship is not a part of my job requirements. I do it on my own to stay engaged in the profession and in my work.

We felt a need to encourage reading as well as writing!

Promotion to the highest librarian rank at my institution provides an incentive to produce scholarship because publication is a requirement for that rank

Funding is provided for research assistants. Availability of laptops and maybe special/unique softwares

This is not technically available in the sense that position descriptions do not include it, except in a catch-all "professional development" category. Informally, though, as the Director, I support this and try to make it happen for those who are interested.

My institution has no interest as to whether librarians publish. Our librarians have good relationships with most faculty. If asked, many of the professors would provide feedback.

The opportunities for which I selected "Other" are not formally offered but we have resources within the wider university or law school system to make these available, should a law librarian request them or should the idea be discussed.

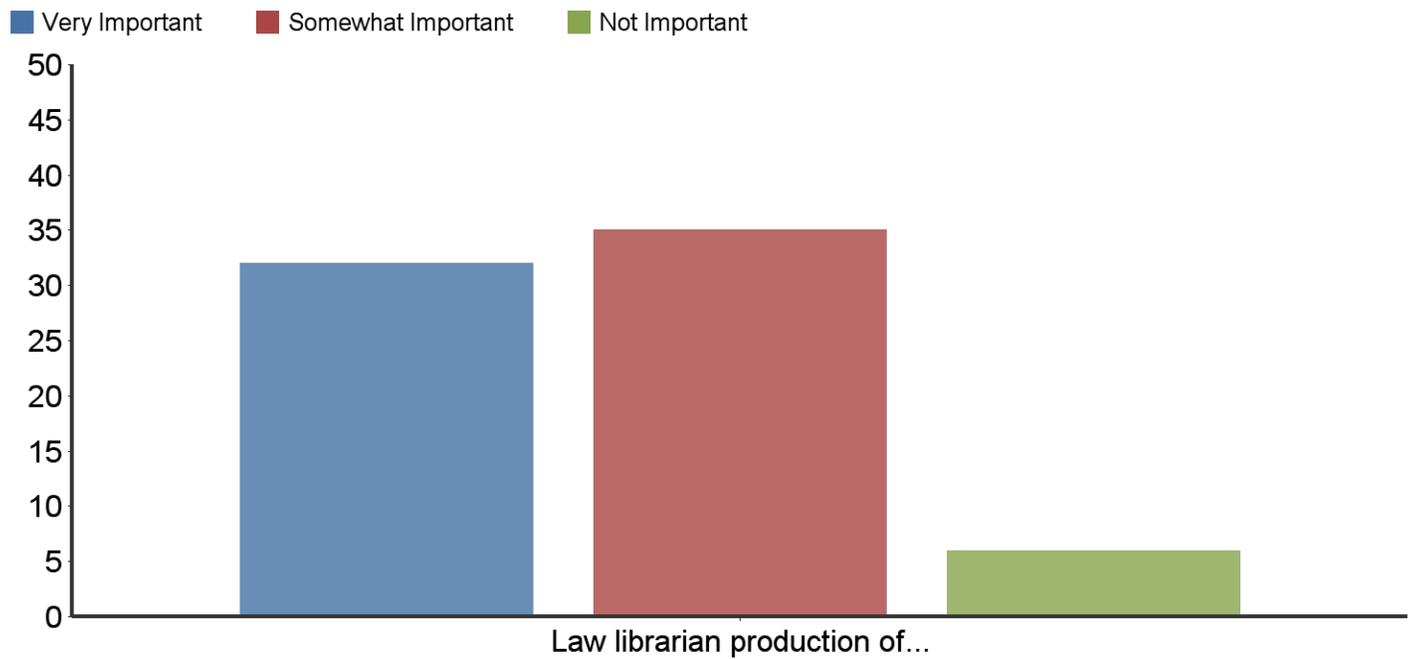
Scholarship is important the Director does all he can to encourage and support it.

Our law librarians receive the same support as the rest of the law faculty, including sabbaticals. The impediment is that law library faculty have 12-mo contracts rather than 9-mo and the work does not slow down during the summer. Sabbatical is the only time librarians can carve out large chunks of time so, while the librarians are expected to engage in professional development on an annual basis, I don't expect much by way of scholarship except every 6 yr.

We have supported attendance at the Boulder Conference because it was just an additional day on an existing conference. But I do not have enough funds to send librarians to all of the trainings that they need for their job responsibilities, which does not include writing. So sending them to a separate writing workshop would be tough.

Not sure what you mean by "deadlines to encourage progress" as an opportunity. Scholarship is not a requirement at our institution, so authors work within any self imposed or external deadlines..

In your opinion, how important is scholarship to the work of law librarians?



#	Question	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important	Response	Average Value
1	Law librarian production of scholarship is:	32	35	6	73	1.64

Statistic	Law librarian production of scholarship is:
Min Value	1
Max Value	3
Mean	1.64
Variance	0.4
Standard Deviation	0.63
Total Responses	73
Total Respondents	73

Given your opinion that law librarian scholarship is somewhat or very important, please indicate your thoughts on the value of the following forms of support:

#	Question	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Important	Response	Average Value
1	Scholarly leave from other work	33	25	7	65	1.60
2	Scholarly mentoring or feedback on scholarship topic development or drafts	58	6	-	64	1.09
3	Deadlines to encourage progress	29	25	10	64	1.70
4	Advice about times, places, and ways to publish	47	17	-	64	1.27
5	Training in advanced research techniques (i.e. empirical, non-legal, etc.)	23	37	4	64	1.70
6	In-house writing workshops	18	41	5	64	1.80
7	Travel funding to send librarians to participate in writing workshops	37	24	3	64	1.47
8	Travel funding to bring an author in to present a work-in-progress	14	28	22	64	2.13
9	Other type of support (please describe):	5	3	3	11	1.82

Other type of support (please describe):

funding to present at conferences

rewards-recognition or raises

Food for thought

Submission services

hire more librarians so that the institution can continue the same level of support for the faculty, students, etc.

Scholarly days leave; grants support

Recognition by the Law School in the same way they recognize the scholarship of the teaching faculty

Given your opinion that law librarian scholarship is somewhat or very important, please indicate your thoughts on the the sustainability of the following forms of support:

#	Question	My Institution Could Provide This Support	My Institution Could Provide Limited Forms of This Support	My Institution Could Not Provide This Support	Response	Average Value
1	Scholarly leave from other work	21	20	22	63	2.02
2	Scholarly mentoring or feedback on scholarship topic development or drafts	45	17	1	63	1.30
3	Deadlines to encourage progress	39	21	3	63	1.43
4	Advice about times, places, and ways to publish	49	13	1	63	1.24
5	Training in advanced research techniques (i.e. empirical, non-legal, etc.)	21	31	11	63	1.84
6	In-house writing workshops	27	27	10	64	1.73
7	Travel funding to send librarians to participate in writing workshops	32	23	8	63	1.62
8	Travel funding to bring an author in to present a work-in-progress	18	20	25	63	2.11
9	Other type of support (please describe):	2	2	4	8	2.25

Other type of support (please describe):

rewards-recognition/raises

Submission services

need to hire more librarians if the expectation is that librarians are to write and be supported in the endeavor

funding to present at conferences