RESOURCES FOR NAVIGATING REMOTE WORK & VIRTUAL TRAININGS

As we adapt to the disruptions occurring within our organizations, many of us are working remotely and conducting virtual trainings for faculty, staff, clients, and other stakeholders and constituents. To better assist with this transition, we have compiled some helpful resources:

REMOTE WORK SETUP

- 10 Tips to Set up Your Home Office for Videoconferencing
- Quick Online Lessons for How to Transition to a Remote Workforce
- Tips for Managing Newly Remote Workers

PLANNING AND TRANSITIONING TO VIRTUAL LEARNING

- Virtual Training Tips: Efficiently Managing The Transition To Online Learning
- 9 Easy Steps to Plan Your Virtual Learning Programs
- Remote Training

REGISTER FOR AALL 2020 / JULY 11-14 IN NEW ORLEANS

As we navigate the months ahead leading up to our Association’s biggest annual event, we continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation. The 2020 AALL Annual Meeting & Conference is still scheduled to take place as planned July 11-14 in New Orleans. The health and safety of our members, speakers, sponsors, and staff are our priority and guide our decision making during this unprecedented time.

EARLY-BIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENSION

We understand that many members are currently subject to travel restrictions, and that many more are grappling with uncertainty about longer-range plans. To give everyone more opportunities to save, we have extended the early-bird registration deadline to June 15, 2020 (originally May 15).

AALL ANNUAL MEETING GRANTS

Did you know that AALL offers grants to cover registration costs for the Annual Meeting or preconference workshops? In response to the changes occurring in many members' workplaces, we have also extended the deadline for all of AALL’s grants and scholarships to May 15, 2020 (originally April 1). Special interest sections (SISs) provide additional grant opportunities for their members, and some chapters do, too.
POSTER SESSIONS

Have you pioneered a new program in your library? Perhaps you've created a set of best practices to apply in the workplace. Poster sessions are a popular conference feature, and this year's selections will once again be on display in the exhibit hall--your good idea could benefit your fellow colleagues. Submit your proposal by April 24, 2020.

UPCOMING WEBINARS / REGISTER NOW!

SPECIAL MARCH WEBINAR / LAST DAY TO REGISTER

LAW LIBRARIAN LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES IN THE WAKE OF COVID-19

- Friday, March 27, 2020 / 12:00 p.m. (CDT)
- Register by Thursday, March 26
- Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

What are legal information professionals doing in the wake of COVID-19 to provide leadership to their organizations? There is tremendous opportunity from the smallest idea to big-picture strategy, and everything in between. Join library leaders as they discuss navigating closures, communications, and staff, student, patron, and client management, while providing leadership within their organizations. Get tips and real-time strategies and learn how to harness opportunities to lead your organization during this unprecedented time.

EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP WITH VIRTUAL TEAMS: TO INFINITY AND BEYOND

- Thursday, April 23, 2020 / 11:00 a.m. (CDT)
- Register by Monday, April 20, 2020
- Members - Free / Nonmembers - $60

The working world has become increasingly global and law libraries are not exempt. Many of our work environments are incorporating or introducing aspects of a virtual team. This webinar will address virtual team leadership and the nuances of different types of virtual teams. Listen to real-world success stories from legal information professionals and get practical tips and inspiration for making the most of virtual teams.

CALL FOR WEBINAR PROPOSALS

SHARE YOUR IDEAS

Do you have an idea for a webinar? Are you, or is someone you know, an expert on a subject important to legal information professionals? We want to hear from you! We're looking for programs on relevant and emerging topics, as well as current or cutting-edge best practices in
legal information and library services. Webinar proposals should fall into one of the six AALL Body of Knowledge (BoK) domains. Submit a proposal today.

APPLY FOR AN AALL GRANT

AALL/BLOOMBERG LAW CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANT

Does your chapter, special interest section, committee, or caucus have an educational event (virtual or in-person) that needs funding? If so, consider applying for an AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant. Grant requests are accepted at various times throughout the year. The next deadline for grant applications has been extended to May 15, 2020.

AALL LEXISNEXIS RESEARCH GRANT

AALL LexisNexis Research Grant Jury is accepting applications through May 15 for research grants totaling up to $5,000 from the AALL Research Fund (An Endowment Established by LexisNexis). Established in July 2000, the annual grants fund large or small research projects that create, disseminate, or use legal and library-related information. The AALL Research Agenda offers suggestions for possible research projects that cover a wide range of professional interests. Access the complete guidelines and apply for a grant by May 15, 2020. Grants will be awarded and announced by the end of May.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR YOUR EDUCATION / DEADLINE EXTENDED

Every year AALL awards thousands of dollars in scholarships to law school and library school students and AALL members to assist individuals in meeting their educational goals in the field of legal information. The following scholarships are awarded annually:

- Library School Scholarships (for those with or without JDs)
- Law School Scholarships (for those with MLS/MLIS and those seeking dual JD/MLIS)
- Scholarships for Library School Graduates Seeking a Non-Law Degree
- LexisNexis John R. Johnson Memorial Scholarship
- George A. Strait Minority Scholarship & Fellowship
- Marcia J. Koslov Scholarship for members to attend continuing education programs for state, court, or county law librarians

The deadline for applications has been extended to May 15, 2020. Learn more about the scholarships and applications process, and contact AALL Headquarters with questions.

COMPLIMENTARY AALL 2019 SESSION RECORDINGS

At last summer’s AALL Annual Meeting & Conference, attendees gathered to learn, network, and share knowledge. As an AALL member, you can access the educational session recordings, whether you joined us in Washington, DC or not. Easily listen to sessions from your desktop or on the go—take advantage of this complimentary member benefit, just a few clicks away.

Find this and many more continuing education programs and webinars on AALLNET.

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WEBINARS NOW AVAILABLE ON-DEMAND

- Combining Internal & External Data Sources to Improve Your Firm’s Performance
- Law Faculty Metrics
Live Interview Series: So, You Wanna Be a Law Techie?

PICK OF THE MONTH
Selected by AALL's Continuing Professional Education Committee

EDITOR INSIGHTS: A WEBINAR PANEL ON PUBLISHING YOUR WRITING
Are you interested in publishing, but are hesitant to delve in because you don't understand the process? Have you ever wondered how to increase the odds of getting published? Get answers to these questions and more while gaining insight into forging successful collaborations and the role of the editor. This webinar is a guided Q&A between the moderator and five panelists from major law library publications.

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FOR THE LEADER IN YOU

Conflict in our workplace is common and there are different philosophies for how to approach workplace conflict. The Thomas-Kilmann Conflict Mode Instrument provides five modes of conflict management: competing, accommodating, avoiding, collaborating, and compromising. This approach is based on the concept that everyone has a different way of responding to conflict.

To learn more about the Thomas-Kilmann Conflict Mode Instrument, check out these articles:

- Learn All About the Thomas-Kilmann Conflict Mode Instrument by Ralph Killman
- "Five Approaches to Dealing with Conflict" by Charles Green
- 5 Conflict Resolution Strategies We All Use by the Participation Blog

For more comprehensive reading suggestions on the topic:

- The Courageous Mosaic: Awakening Society, Systems, and Souls by Ralph Kilmann
- Quantum Organizations: A New Paradigm for Achieving Organizational Success and Personal Meaning by Ralph Kilmann
- Workbook for Implementing the Tracks Volume 1 by Ralph Kilmann

To encourage all of us to think about leadership, the Leadership Development Committee highlights short articles in the Education Update. Have a suggestion or request for a topic? Please email Michelle Dewey.

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