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APPLY FOR AN AALL/BLOOMBERG LAW CONTINUING EDUCATION GRANT BY MONDAY

If your chapter, special interest section, committee, or caucus have an educational webinar or other education program that needs funding, there is still time to apply for an AALL/Bloomberg Law Continuing Education Grant. Grant requests are accepted at various times throughout the year. The next deadline for grant applications is Monday, October 31, 2022.

2023 AALL ANNUAL MEETING

AALL 2023 PROGRAM PROPOSALS UPDATE

We received 114 program proposals for the 2023 Annual Meeting & Conference. Thank you to everyone who submitted a program or workshop proposal. The Annual Meeting Program Committee is in the process of reviewing submitted proposals.

UPCOMING DATES

◆ Program Proposal Review by AMPC / October 17, 2022 - November 29, 2022
◆ Program Selection Meeting / December 9, 2022 / Chicago, IL
◆ Program Selections Announced / January 2023

ON-DEMAND LEARNING

AALL SELF-PACED COURSES / GROW YOUR PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Strategic thinking and budgeting are two essential skills every legal information professional needs. AALL's two self-paced courses will help you master the fundamentals of these skills. "Introduction to Law Library Budgets" covers the concepts of managing a law library budget, and "Strategic Thinking for Law Librarians" will help you understand the essentials of strategic thinking and project implementation success.

Cost for each course: Members $99 / Nonmembers $149

LEARN MORE & REGISTER

UPCOMING COFFEE CHATS & WEBINARS

AALL has several exciting coffee chats and webinars coming up next month, including the November 15 Virtual Coffee Chat "Avoiding Burnout: Stop, Drop, and Roll" from 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. (CST). Be sure to visit AALL eLearning to stay up to date on future topics and to register.

Is there a topic you want covered in an AALL webinar? Please submit the webinar proposal form or email Fiore Barbini, AALL director of education and learning at fbarbini@aall.org. If you have any ideas or topics for a future coffee chat, please email elearning@aall.org.

TUNE INTO AALL'S MICROLEARNING VIDEOS
AALL's Microlearning Videos Series are short-form-focused videos designed to cover an individual skill pertinent in the law librarian's world. Current videos discuss fair use, wine law, comparing red-lined versions in Microsoft Word, and our "day in the life" video series. Videos are available on AALL eLearning; simply search "microlearning." Additional videos are planned to drop throughout the year.

Cost: Free for AALL Members

WEBINARS NOW AVAILABLE ON-DEMAND

- Thomson Reuters Partner Webinar: How to Use Company Analytics to Support Law Firm Growth Strategies
- Checking It Out: How the Copyright Claims Board Works for Libraries
- Bloomberg Law Partner Webinar: Prepared to Practice? Data and Insights from Law Students and Practitioners

PICK OF THE MONTH

Selected by AALL’s Continuing Professional Education Committee

USING COGNITIVE THEORY TO BOOST LONG TERM RETENTION

Looking for strategies to improve your instruction's impact? This webinar covers basic concepts in cognitive theory, applying them to research instruction with concrete examples. There are some small changes you can make in your approach to teaching that lead to more impactful instruction. The techniques described in this webinar will increase your students' ability to recall and apply your instruction much later down the road as practicing attorneys.

Find many more continuing education programs and webinars on AALL eLearning.

MASTER THE FUNDAMENTALS OF BUDGETING

REGISTER NOW

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LEADER IN YOU

Each month the Leadership Development Committee will highlight a librarian leader and ask them a few questions about their leadership journey.

Jill Kilgore
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Kansas City, MO

What does leadership mean to you?
Leadership is a quality I see in folks throughout organizations—it’s not a tangible role. It exists only in relation to other individuals. It’s accountability to other people and yourself. So, a leader advocates for others, listens, encourages, and shows compassion. Effective leadership will engage the individual. It requires trust, where you necessarily rely on others and others rely on you.

Is there a particular AALL product/program/article that was especially helpful for you as you developed as a leader?
AALL has had a direct impact on me professionally. Through AALL programming and message boards, I discovered the First-Gen Professionals Caucus, found mentors in the community, and thanks to leaders bringing me into writing projects, I have collaborated on publications like AALL Spectrum and MAALL Markings.

How do you inspire others while keeping yourself inspired about the organization’s mission?
I'm invested in the development of my team, which in turn helps me fulfill our organization’s mission and helps them to succeed within it. I’m inspired by the opportunity to help them find fulfillment, set priorities, develop career trajectories, provide opportunities, and do my best to positively influence the outcome of their efforts. I feel fortunate to work with these individuals every day; they inspire me to demonstrate the kind of thoughtful professionalism I have encountered in my career.

What has been one of your biggest challenges as a leader?
Moving from peer to manager. As a new manager, I'm learning to navigate responsibilities and practice a more formalized, intentional leadership. It's been a lesson in recognizing newfound agency and taking ownership over my ability to influence.

What are you doing to ensure your continued growth and development as a leader?
This is my first position managing others, so I spend a lot of time listening and asking questions. Moving into a formal leadership position, it's now my responsibility to learn as much as I can about the work my team does, what they enjoy/find frustrating and what they hope to change. The vision I have also has fewer barriers now, meaning I can influence more outcomes, particularly the ones beyond my own.

Do you know a great leader? Recommend a leader for us to spotlight in the Leader in You column. Send your recommendation with a brief description of why you think they are a great leader to Holly M. Ricco, Chair, Leadership Development Committee.

UPCOMING GRANT OPPORTUNITY

LEXISNEXIS RESEARCH GRANT APPLICATIONS DUE DECEMBER 1

The AALL LexisNexis Research Grant Jury is accepting applications through Thursday, December 1 for grants from the AALL Research Fund (An Endowment Established by LexisNexis).

Established in July 2000, the grant funds research projects that create, disseminate, or use legal and library related information. For inspiration, review the list of topics awarded grants in past years. If you have a research project that may benefit from this grant, review the complete guidelines and apply. Grants will be awarded and announced by the end of December.

LEARN MORE & APPLY

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

AALL'S MENTOR PROGRAM

AALL's Mentor Program provides newer members with advice on charting their career path, provides experienced members with an avenue to lend their knowledge and experience to promising new members, and provides mid-career members with a network when contemplating a move to another library type.

WHY MENTOR?
- Encourage individual growth and development
- Provide leadership and share your wisdom
- Offer guidance to a new generation of working professionals

WHY BE A MENTEE?
- Get advice based on real-world experiences
- Gain career assistance and professional recommendations
- Network with working professionals in your industry (in the same state or across the country!)

Sign up to participate in the AALL Mentor Program today!

COMMUNITY CORNER

UPCOMING SIS WEBINARS

Several of AALL's special interest sections (SISs) feature webinars every month that are open to all AALL members. Be sure to visit the AALL Calendar of Events page to stay up to date on future topics and to register. Upcoming webinars include the November 9 PLLIP-SIS webinar “9 Is the Magic Number.”