

LACUNY Professional Development Committee  
Annual Report 2005 – 2006

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Programs

“PSC-CUNY Grants Workshop” Sept. 16, 2005 at Baruch College

Twenty-five (25) members attended this annual workshop, which included an introduction to the PSC-CUNY Research Awards by Library Panel chair Gerry Jiao. Four (4) grants recipients in the previous round of the Library Panel awardees gave presentations, including John Drobnicki, Rita Ormsby, Catherine Perkins, and Philip Swan. Titles and abstracts for these projects, as well as the other 2005 awardees are given on the Committee’s home page. Photos from the event are also included.

“Setting a Professional Development Agenda: Individual and Organizational Needs”  
April 28, 2006 at Baruch College

Twenty-seven (27) members attended this interactive meeting, facilitated by Dr. Jana Varlejs of the Dept. of Library and Information Science at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey. Through small group discussion, she led the group in their inventory and identification of professional development needs, interests and the development of individual learning plans. Dr. Varlejs also provided web sites for personal and professional development, linked through the Committee’s home page.

Association Grant

For the second year, the Committee offered the LACUNY Professional Development Grant. The allocation for this grant rose from \$1,000 to \$2,000 making it possible to fund four (4) requests for travel to professional meetings. The four awardees receiving grants were: Daisy Dominguez, Miriam Laskin, Kenneth Schlesinger, and Polly Thistle-thwaite. The titles of their projects are on the Committee’s web site. By Fall, 2006, abstracts of these projects will be uploaded as well.

Other

In addition to the above, the Committee’s web page was updated and forms for grants and reassignments were uploaded for the convenience of the membership. Both CULIBS and “News for CUNY Libraries” covered Committee activities and programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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Committee Co-Chair