

## Library AP Update, January/February 2021

### Meet Your Library AP Colleagues

Each issue we will introduce 1 or 2 Library Academic Professionals, who will tell us what they do in the Library, share a photo and something about themselves by answering one of the questions in our [question bank](#). A big thank you to Wenjie for volunteering to be our first featured AP!



**Wenjie Wang**  
*Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Specialist*  
*Scholarly Commons*

*What do you do in the Library?*

I provide GIS consultations, teach GIS workshops, and serve as the library's liaison to campus organizations and research groups.

*What is your favorite thing about Champaign-Urbana?*

I love ice cream. It is so nice to know that we have such a great ice cream shop in town (Jarling's)!

This photo was taken in Miami. It was my first time to touch a real alligator!

### Council of Academic Professionals

#### Notes from the January 7 CAP Meeting:

- [Part 1 Zoom Recording](#)
- [Part 2 Zoom Recording](#)

Important update regarding APDF funds: The Chancellor has agreed to initiate funds starting immediately. Last year we ran out of funds. The fund has been reinstated at the original amount of \$50,000. This program currently has a \$500 cap (may be increased to \$750 in the future). We have less money, but we are at the halfway point of the year. Watch for updates regarding applications.

Meeting minutes: <https://cap.illinois.edu/2021/01/14/january-2021-minutes/>

**Next meeting, February 4, 2021 at 1:15 PM.** President Tim Killeen is scheduled to be the guest speaker and time has been set aside for a Q&A session. A Zoom link will be sent to all APs closer to the meeting date. If you are unable to attend, a recording will be available on CAP's "[Agendas, Minutes and Recordings](#)" page. If you have questions for President Killeen, feel free to send them to Jake Metz ([jimetz2@illinois.edu](mailto:jimetz2@illinois.edu)) or Will Schlaack ([schlaac2@illinois.edu](mailto:schlaac2@illinois.edu)).

## [L-CAP Committee Report](#)

### **Highlights from Dec 18 meeting with Dean Wilkin**

Discussed specific implications for employees reclassified from AP to CS. Dean requested that L-CAP draft recommendations for the application of current AP-specific policies, benefits, opportunities, and representation to reclassified positions and employees.

### **Highlights from January L-CAP meeting:**

Formed a subgroup to draft a memorandum to Dean Wilkin on library policies and representation for reclassified AP employees, to be shared with APs at large for comment.

**Meeting minutes, newsletters, and other resources are available on the [L-CAP webpage](#).**

## [AP Resources Page](#)

A quick place to [find information](#) about AP-specific resources, benefits, and opportunities.

## L-CAP Membership

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*Have an announcement or topic suggestion for the next L-CAP Update? Send it to [lcap@library.illinois.edu](mailto:lcap@library.illinois.edu).*