Library AP Update, March 2021

Meet Your Library AP Colleagues

Each issue we will feature 1 or 2 Library APs, 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.

Mary Ton
Scholarly Communication and Publishing

What do you do in the Library?
I prepare works for publication, consult with authors, and lead workshops as the Digital Publishing Specialist for the Illinois Open Publishing Network.

What is something you like to do when you are not working?
I enjoy exploring makerspaces and learning new crafting techniques. (Spoiler alert: the laser-cutter is my favorite.)

My husband and I blacksmith, and the knives in the photo are our first creations in Champaign!

Library Academic Professional Forum, March 31

The Library Committee of Academic Professionals invites you to join us for the 2021 Library Academic Professional Forum

Wednesday, March 31, 10am-Noon
Join Zoom Meeting
Meeting ID: 898 1306 5579
Password: 585141

Agenda: Welcome from Dean Wilkin, CAP Introduction by Brian Brauer (Chair of the Council of Academic
Professionals), brief update on the AP Promotional Program, and a discussion about employee reclassification.

Save to calendar
More information coming soon!

Council of Academic Professionals

February 12: President Killeen stressed that campus admin didn’t see non-programmatic staff reductions in the future, and said avoiding layoffs and furloughs is a top priority. The University is investigating how to approach work with employees who are now used to more flexible remote/in-person work, and is forming a group to work on a plan. There is a new Racism and Social Justice Group seeking membership, and a call for various CAP committees and AP senators (including our district) is coming.

February 12 CAP meeting recording

March 4: Dee Walls, Extension Outreach Associate, Community Engagement spoke about his work with the Extension & Public Engagement Connection Center. Reminder that the Academic Professional Development Fund Information and Application is now open. For questions about the fund please contact Teresa Harvey, Illinois Human Resources or the APDF Committee: Anne Jones (acjones3@illinois.edu) Viveka Kudaligama (kudaliga@illinois.edu) or Sebastian Kelle (skelle@illinois.edu).

March 4 CAP meeting recording

Keep an eye out for the upcoming April CAP meeting (on April Fool’s Day!) as we will be taking a virtual tour of the Red Oak Rain Garden.

If you have questions for the Council, feel free to contact one of our District 9 representatives, Jake Metz (jmetz2@illinois.edu) or Will Schlaack (schlaac2@illinois.edu).

L-CAP Committee Report

At our February 15 meeting, we discussed the draft recommendations regarding AP-specific policies, benefits, opportunities, and representation for employees reclassified from AP to Civil Service Professional (CS-P). The draft recommendations have been shared with leadership of LSSC. The recommendations will be a focus of the upcoming AP Forum, and L-CAP will conduct an email vote on them prior to submitting the final recommendations to Dean Wilkin.

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.
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Have an announcement or topic suggestion for the next L-CAP Update?
Send it to  lcap@library.illinois.edu.