

In Session:

CALL/ACBD's Newsletter

October 2017

From the Executive Board

Conference Programming Ideas

If you've been thinking of presenting a paper at a conference, then 2018 is the year for you!

You've no doubt seen the call for proposals for the next CALL/ACBD Conference, which will be held in Halifax next May. We encourage all members, Committees, and Special Interest Groups (SIGs) to submit programming ideas! Links to submit your proposals can be seen below!

After you attend and present at CALL/ACBD, then you can hop across the pond to present at BIALL!

The British and Irish Association of Law Librarians (BIALL) will hold their conference next June. Anneli Sarkanen, President of BIALL, asked me to share this announcement with you:

The [Call for Papers](#) for the BIALL Conference 2018 is out now!

We are seeking presentations, in line with our theme, that explore innovative design, whether for physical library spaces, technology, training, services or the professional role. We invite proposals for plenary and parallel sessions, as well as 10 minute lightning talks. In order to submit a proposal, please complete and return the relevant form: Plenary/Parallel form or Lightning form. All proposals should be submitted to the programme co-ordinators Julie Doran & Susan McGlamery no later than Monday 9th October 2017.

The Conference will be held Thursday 7th - Saturday 9th June at the Hilton Birmingham Metropole. Click [here](#) for more information.

CFLA-FCAB Indigenous Matters Committee

In the September issue of *In Session*, I was pleased to announce that F. Tim Knight will participate in the CFLA-FCAB Indigenous Matters Committee on behalf of CALL/ACBD. I am happy to announce that Cathy Cotter, Alexia Loumankis and Margo Jeske will also participate on the Committee on behalf of CALL/ACBD! We look forward to hearing about their work on this important Committee.

Next CALL/ACBD Executive Board Meeting

Our next Board meeting will take place on **Tuesday, October 17 from 1:00 - 3:00 PM EDT**. Members are invited to attend. Please contact National Office for details: office@callacbd.ca. An agenda will be posted on the website in advance. Agendas and minutes are all available on the website in the members section under "[Member Resources](#)."

Events



Call for Proposals

We are now accepting conference programming proposals that reflect the [CALL Professional Development Pathways](#).

[Conference Session Submission Form](#)

[Lightning Talk Submission Form](#)

The deadline for the submission of programming proposals is **October 20, 2017**. We will notify you by **December 1, 2017** if we select your program.

Conference Mobile App

New this year – The CALL CPC has secured conference app [QuickMobile](#) for the 2018, 2019, and 2020 CALL/ACBD Conferences. This app will ensure delegates have up to the minute program and event information at their fingertips!

Committee & SIG News

Scholarship & Awards Committee

Applications for the [Diana M. Priestly Scholarship](#) are now open. If you are a lawyer pursuing an information degree, or a librarian in law school, you may be eligible for financial support. Completed applications must be received by **February 16, 2018**.

Hugh Lawford Award for Excellence in Legal Publishing

Each year, CALL/ACBD honours a publisher (whether for profit or not-for-profit, corporate or non-corporate) which has demonstrated excellence by publishing a work, series or electronic product that makes a significant contribution

to legal research and scholarship. Nominations can be submitted to Connie Crosby, Past President, Chair of the Hugh Lawford Award Committee, conniecrosby@gmail.com, before **February 15, 2018**. For more information please [click here](#).

Honoured Members Nominations are Now Open!

Nominations are now open for the distinction of Honoured Member. Submit your nomination, including supporting documentation, to Connie Crosby, Past President, before **November 15, 2017**. Full details of the criteria for honoured members, as well as a list of past recipients, are available on the Association website [here](#).

Membership Development Committee

The Membership Development Committee is undertaking a number of membership recruitment initiatives and is looking for volunteers to who are interested in helping us grow the Association's membership. This shouldn't be a large time commitment and will give members insights into many aspects of the Association's operations. To express your interest or request additional details, please contact Janet Macdonald at janet@minclibrary.ca.

Canadian Abridgment Editorial Advisory Board

Do you have any concerns or regarding comments Thomson Reuters' product line? Well, you should know that as a CALL/ACBD member, you have a say!

Since 1989, The Canadian Abridgment Editorial Advisory Board (CAEAB) has served as a liaison between CALL/ACBD members and Carswell regarding the Abridgment and other research products (including WestlawNext Canada (WLNC) and its predecessor online services). The Board also serves an editorial function with respect to the Index to Canadian Legal Literature (ICLL).

We are seeking your feedback on editorial issues related to the Abridgment, ICLL and WLNC for our upcoming Board meeting in the fall so that we can help improve these products for your legal research needs.

Please email your feedback to Michèle LeBlanc at Michele.LeBlanc@umoncton.ca.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Current CALL members on the Board are Stephen Thiele (chair), Jean-Sébastien Danis, Ken Fox, Melanie R. Bueckert, Michèle LeBlanc, Nathalie Leonard and Susannah Tredwell.

Website Editorial Board

One of the Website Editorial Board's (WEB) priorities is to encourage the publishing of new content on the CALL website. Committees and special interest groups (SIGs) are encouraged to make their content publicly available on the website. Members, committees, and SIGs are encouraged to contribute content to the CALL [blog](#) and social media channels: [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [LinkedIn](#). This could include articles, resources, announcements, or projects. Please contact Alan Kilpatrick (alan.kilpatrick@lawsociety.sk.ca) or Michel-Adrien Sheppard (michel-adrien.sheppard@scc-csc.ca) if you would like to contribute content.

In the coming months, the WEB will be highlighting some of the exciting content available on the CALL website in the In Session newsletter. Are you familiar with the wealth of resources available on the [Committee](#) and [SIG](#) pages?

Many of CALL's committees and SIGs provide access to surveys, tips, and guides relevant to law librarians and the practice of legal librarianship. We encourage you to spend some time checking out these helpful resources!

Vendor Liaison Committee

Don't say we didn't ask you: Vendor Liaison Committee looking for feedback!

The VLC wants to make sure that our collective voice is heard with the publishers. We are looking for your input in several areas.

First, the VLC is preparing its second semi-annual call with LexisNexis Canada. The semi-annual meetings are an opportunity to follow-up on the progress of questions that may have been posed in previous conversations with publishers or at the annual CALL conference, or to talk live about any new concerns CALL members may have.

Our next call with LexisNexis Canada will be held in the fall. Do you have an operational issue you would like us to discuss? Please let us know if you have any pressing or continuing concerns relating to customer experience, or LexisNexis print or online resources. If appropriate, please provide specific examples and a detailed description of your issue/question. Assume other members are not familiar with the issue. Please send your questions to Amy Kaufman at kaufman@queensu.ca by **Monday, October 16**.

Next, a new initiative. Do you have concerns, comments or kudos for publishers other than Thomson Reuters or LexisNexis, that you would like to share with us? If you has an issue, you are probably not alone. We will tabulate the results and they will help us determine:

- If the format and/or nature of the Vendor Forum at the CALL Conference needs to change;
- If our communications with publishers should be handled differently; and
- If there are particular publishers our members would like us to start a dialogue with.

Please forward your comments to Joan Rataic-Lang at jrataiclang@tlaonline.ca by November 15. Please use VLC in the subject line.

Announcements

Hire a Co-op Student from FIMS at Western

The Faculty of Information and Media Studies at Western University is looking for co-op positions for its Library and Information Science students. If you are interested in hiring a co-op student for the **winter term**, please [click here](#) to review the timeline for MLIS winter 2018 co-op process.

Reminder of recent changes

Continuing with our updated process from last term, we will be proceeding with a more flexible timeline, and a streamlined hiring process without our traditional rank & match step. Below is a list of the changes that you will see as employers:

1. You are now able to select the posting duration and interview dates (1 week, 2 weeks, or 3 weeks) after the job-posting start date has passed (see timeline attached).
2. You can now contact the co-op office with the name of your preferred candidate directly after you complete your interview process, and we can facilitate the offer at that time.
3. The chosen candidate will have 48 hours to respond to your offer. If the response is negative, you can move onto the next best candidate or repost the position.

We've received many favorable responses from employers and students following our trial-run of this new process last term and we are confident that this will continue to be a positive experience for all. If you have any feedbacks or recommendations, we would love to hear from you! (fims-coop@uwo.ca)

Returning employers with [Career Central accounts](#):

Employers who already have an employer account from last term will be able to login and **a)** submit a new job posting or **b)** update the existing posting from last term. Once the "new" or "revised" posting has been submitted and approved by the administrator, it will go live on the co-op job board (starting October 2) for the duration of time selected.

New to Career Central?

Please complete and return the [attached employer application form](#) as well as submit a co-op posting to the co-op office (including details about the placement such as duties, skills required, pay rate, contact person to whom the students should address their applications). All new positions will go through an approval process prior to posting. Once approved, an employer account will be created for you on our CareerCentral site. This site has been designed to centralize and streamline the administrative elements of our co-op process. It will make future co-op participation and re-posting a breeze!



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