

## **Evidence Based Library and Information Practice**

## News/Announcements

## Researcher-Librarian Partnership Program Seeks Applicants

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Would you like to learn how to gather the evidence to make your services and resources even more effective in meeting your clients' needs? Have you always wanted to learn the steps involved in conducting a research project?

The Researcher-Librarian Partnership provides the opportunity for new library and information science professionals to develop and refine their skill, knowledge and confidence in conducting research.

The Partnership is sponsored by the Library Theory and Research Section of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA).

Research skill and knowledge are the essential tool kit for ensuring that libraries and librarians continue to effectively and efficiently meet the evolving needs of the clients and communities they serve.

The Partnership is open to practising librarians who have no more than seven years professional experience in the library and information sector at the time of application.

The Partnership is not open to individuals occupying research or teaching positions.

The purpose of the Partnership is to provide the opportunity for recipients to receive expert coaching and guidance as they undertake a research project on a selected library or information issue.

Up to six recipients will be selected to take part in the Partnership in 2010. The successful recipients will be matched with a mentor who has experience in conducting research.

Nominations will be considered by a Selection Committee and a recommendation made to the Library Theory and Research Standing Committee.

Nominations close on 3 May 2010.

For further information (including the application form), visit <a href="http://www.ifla.org/en/library-theory-and-research/projects">http://www.ifla.org/en/library-theory-and-research/projects</a> or contact Helen Partridge, Chair of the Selection Committee, at <a href="https://h.partridge@qut.edu.au">h.partridge@qut.edu.au</a>.