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Dear Systemwide RPD Committee,

Please accept my application for a presentation grant. I will be presenting a poster at the LAUC-B conference, Making it Count: Opportunities and Challenges for Library Assessment, in Berkeley this October. Our poster presentation has already been accepted..

a. Summary and current status of the research project/activity

We have just received full IRB approval. We will do one final review of the survey instrument on Thursday, 1/17/2013. On Friday, 1/18/2013, the Social Science Survey Center (SSSC) at UCSB will finalize all programming so that we have a fully functional survey online by Monday. We will recruit participants through the first week of February. By mid-February, SSSC will create a report of us summarizing the results of the survey. We will spend all of March working on our poster presentation, including the poster, our handouts and talking points. In October, we will go to Berkeley to present our findings.

b. Description of and timetable for the activities to be funded by the Mini-Grant or Presentation Grant. If release time is required, please provide a simple signed memo from your department head or supervisor.

Presentation of poster at LAUC-B conference in October 2013.

Release time is attached.

c. Summary of the budget. There should be one line for each item in the budget.

Gas (327 miles/\$0.51 per mile) – approximately \$166
Hotel – approximately \$170 per night

d. Indicate whether the applicant is a member of the bargaining unit represented by the UC-AFT (applicant may be a member of the bargaining unit and not a member of the union) or a non-represented librarian.

Member

e. Abstract of the paper or poster accepted for presentation.

Assessing residents past and present: An evidence-based approach for developing a library residency program

Residency programs provide valuable mentoring and professional development opportunities for new library graduates. This is especially in light of concerns in the academic library community regarding recruitment and retention. There are fewer than 30 such programs in America. We will be conducting a nationwide survey of current and former library residents, as well as residency coordinators in the United States. Questions will address program planning and decision-making, attitudes toward various aspects of library residency programs, cost/benefit of residency programs for libraries and residents, and the effectiveness of residency programs in context. Summary data collected from these survey instruments will help improve program planning and assessment for the fellowship program at UCSB. It will also serve as a model for other libraries that have existing programs, or that want to start a similar program

f. Name and sponsoring organization(s) (if applicable) of the conference.

Librarians Association of the University of California - Berkeley

g. Description(s) of any funds that have been requested from other sources.

N/A

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