

Call for Proposals for the 2016 PA Forward Information Literacy Summit

Join us at the fourth annual PA Forward Information Literacy Summit as a presenter!
Proposals are now being accepted for breakout sessions.

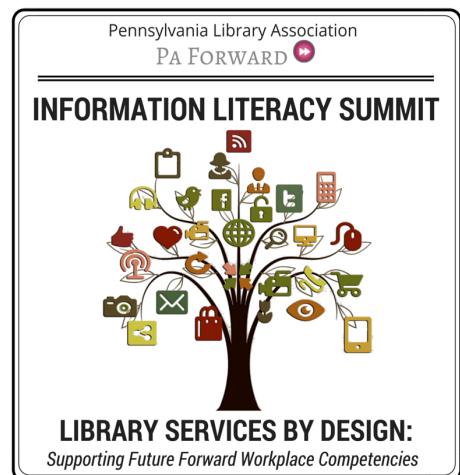
About the Summit

Library Services by Design: Supporting Future Forward Workplace Competencies, the fourth annual PA Forward Information Literacy Summit, will be held in State College at the Pennsylvania State University on July 21, 2016. The Summit will feature three keynote speakers:

Russ Hall - Associate Librarian focusing on reference and instruction at Penn State Behrend in Erie, Pennsylvania

Wes Roberts - Library Services Manager of Workforce and Economic Development at Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh

Dr. Brenda Boyer - Freelance instructional designer and a librarian for the Kutztown (PA) Area School District



PA Forward, a Pennsylvania Library Association (PaLA) state-initiative, supports libraries in helping Pennsylvanians improve their essential literacy skills. PA Forward focuses on five critical literacies: Basic, Information, Civic & Social, Health, and Financial. It is through the PA Forward Information Literacy Team working in

collaboration with the Penn State University Libraries and PA Forward partners that we are able to bring librarians together to have conversations, to collaborate, and to come to shared understandings.

Information Literacy - We envision a Pennsylvania where all citizens have the skills to access, evaluate, use, and create information ethically and legally to fully participate in a digital society.

Guidelines for Proposal Submissions

Proposals are requested for breakout sessions related to or inspired by the following topics:

- Using workplace competencies as the foundation of library instruction, programs, and services.
 - Promoting current tools and environments suitable for teaching digital literacies.
 - Ensuring technological readiness to learn information literacy and social media ethics for the business world.
 - Developing professional learning skills to stay current with new trends and topics.
 - Encouraging collaboration between high school and college librarians to ensure college readiness using the Model Curriculum for Pennsylvania School Library Programs and the ACRL Framework for Information Literacy for Higher Education.
 - Supporting practical instructional applications of the ACRL Framework and the Model Curriculum for PA School Library Programs.

Criteria for evaluating proposals:

- The content of the proposed presentation is relevant to curriculum, collaboration, and the Summit theme: "*Library Services by Design: Supporting Future Forward Workplace Competencies*."
 - The presentation meets adult learning needs, does not "lecture only" and includes elements of interaction with the audience.
 - Information presented will create learning extensions for the participants. What can the audience adapt or apply to their own situations?
 - Proposal is well organized, clear, and concise.

There will be three breakout sessions total with three presentations occurring concurrently during each session.

Proposal Deadline: Please submit your proposal by **April 30, 2016**. Presenters will be notified by early May 2016.

Submit your proposal by clicking on the following link: http://bit.ly/PAFILS2016_CFP