



Calling all Expressions of Interest for new ALIA NGAC members

Who are we?

The New Generation Advisory Committee (NGAC) exists to support and represent new library and information services (LIS) professionals and students and strengthen their participation and engagement with the Association. NGAC provides advice to the ALIA Board of Directors on important topics relevant to students and new professionals and aims to provide a welcoming forum of knowledge sharing and engagement by providing bursaries, networking and publication opportunities. The Committee also strives to establish an inclusive online professional discourse for new information professionals through our #auslibchat events which explore emerging issues and concerns for the profession such as critical librarianship.

https://www.alia.org.au/sites/default/files/documents/Committees.20140722.GOV_.SMcK_.pdf

Who is NGAC looking for?

NGAC currently has four membership vacancies. These will be split into two intakes, two members at the start of 2018 and two more at the end of the first third of 2018.

We are looking for new members who are enthusiastic to make a contribution to the LIS profession in Australia.

NGAC members can be located anywhere in Australia and don't need to live in a metropolitan area.

NGAC actively supports an inclusive and diverse profession. Potential members of any cultural, racial or gender identity, sexual orientation, or physical ability are encouraged to apply.

NGAC members need not work in a library. We are also keen to hear from potential members working (or looking to work) in sectors related to LIS (eg. Archives, Museums, Galleries, Records Management, etc.)

What are benefits of being a member of NGAC?

NGAC membership provides exciting opportunities to:

- Learn what an advisory committee does
- Actively participate in a professional development activity
- Grow your personal learning network
- Engage in leadership and collaboration to enact change
- Further develop teamwork skills with like-minded peers
- Develop skills in project management, leadership, research, social media and online community development including design, and writing for the Board, publications and the web.

Expected time commitment

- NGAC committee members typically spend at least 5 hours per month working on NGAC activities.
- NGAC committee members are appointed for a three year term.

Essential Criteria:

The successful candidate/s will:

- Be (or be prepared to become) an Associate member of ALIA
- Have qualified in the last 7 years or is still studying
- Possess knowledge of the needs and experience of new generation professionals
- Actively use social media, or show a willingness to learn more about using social media in a professional environment
- Self motivation and commitment

Desirable Criteria

The successful candidate/s will also have:

- Demonstrated ability to work in teams
- Excellent communication skills (such as written communication, presentation or visual design skills)
- Demonstrated skills or the desire to develop skills in the areas of research and data analysis, marketing and/or graphic design

Position expectations

Successful candidate/s must be able to commit to:

- Meet monthly via phone conference
- Chair meetings and take minutes on a roster
- Tweeting from the NGAC Twitter account on a roster
- Contribute to the projects, planning and events of the committee (including monthly #auslibchat events)
- Contribute to fulfilling actions and reporting responsibilities in a timely manner
- Act ethically, professionally, and positively when representing ALIA in events and communication, especially in regard to confidentiality

How to apply to become an NGAC member

To submit an expression of interest in becoming a member of NGAC, please email a cover letter addressing these criteria as well as a brief resume to aliangac@gmail.com by **Friday 10 November 2017**.

If you have any questions about being an NGAC member please contact the Vice-Chair, James McGoran (jamesmcgoranmusic@live.com) with the subject line **NGAC Inquiry**.

For questions about ALIA membership and involvement, please contact ALIA Chief Executive Officer Sue McKerracher (enquiry@alia.org.au) with the subject line **NGAC Inquiry**.