

SLA 2017 Anniversary Conference Grant



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SASKATCHEWAN LIBRARY
ASSOCIATION

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This grant is intended for anyone who holds individual membership in the Saskatchewan Library Association (SLA), to attend any conference held in Canada from May 2017 to May 2018, and share their experience with the broader library community.

Application deadline: by August 15, 2017 for a conference that will occur prior to May 2018. The applicant will draft and submit a one- to two-page follow-up report by June 30, 2018.

Amount: All eligible expenses up to \$1500. Eligible expenses include registration fees, travel, accommodation, meals (as per SLA's official expense rates)

Eligibility: Must be an individual member of SLA prior to applying. In cases where any resources of an institution/employer are implicated in the application, a letter of support from the official voting delegate or another appropriate representative of that institution should accompany the application. Applicant must provide a letter from their employer indicating that they will be released from work to attend the conference, if selected.

Criteria: Application must contain the following:

- Description of current employment activities
- One letter of reference supporting the value of event in relation to current activity
- One letter from employer agreeing to release for attendance at the conference if selected.
- One paragraph rationale statement stating the intended impact of the event for you and may include: relevance to current work, limited access to professional development due to geography, limited access to financial supports. Preference given to those who have not previously received a continuing education grant
- Selected Conference must be attended by May 2018.
- A budget to include: registration, travel, accommodations, and meals (as per SLA's official expense rates)
- Support letter(s) if applicable as outlined above

Disbursement of Funds: Submit final report and receipts to SLA for reimbursement by June 30, 2018.

Reporting: Provide a 1-2 page report by June 30, 2018 describing their takeaways, identifying best practices and/or any new ideas that would be relevant to library sectors in Saskatchewan and possibly SLA, within two months of attendance. Recipients may wish to do a presentation at the next Saskatchewan Libraries Conference. The presentation would also be made available online.