# Need to talk to someone about accreditation?

ACRL determined several months ago to prepare a directory of individuals who enjoy expertise in accreditation, both institutional and specialized. Accordingly, an Accreditation Advisors Board was formed.

## Criteria

This Board solicited applications from individuals who had accreditation experience and met the following criteria:

1. An ALA-accredited degree in library/information science.

2. Knowledge of academic librarianship, its role in higher education, and the accreditation process.

3. Interpersonal, communication, and organizational skills.

4. Served as a member on three or more "accreditation teams" for a regional accrediting association (e.g., Middle States, Southern, Western, etc.) or professional association (e.g., National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education [NCATE], Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology, etc.).

# How to become an advisor

There were several responses and those who have met the criteria, as of this writing, are listed below. Should you have any questions related to the list please contact any member of the Advisory Board including Mignon Adams (Philadelphia College of Pharmacy & Science), Keith Cottam (University of Wyoming), Barbara Williams-Jenkins (South Carolina State College), or David Walch (California Polytechnic University). If you meet the criteria and are willing to be listed as an accreditation consultant you should request an application from: David B. Walch, Dean of Library Services, Kennedy Library, California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA 93407; (805) 756-2344.

*Ed. note: For more information on accreditation be sure to see the articles on pages 442–47.* 

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