

MORTENSON ASSOCIATES PROGRAM



Accepting
Applications!

LIBRARIES UNBOUND: OPEN, INCLUSIVE AND ENGAGED

A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEADERSHIP PROGRAM FOR LIBRARY AND
INFORMATION SCIENCE (LIS) PROFESSIONALS

JUNE 2 - JUNE 25, 2025

Libraries Unbound: Open, Inclusive and Engaged – A Professional Development and Leadership Program for Library and Information Science (LIS) Professionals will engage participants in learning about novel and inventive practices and services in areas such as:

- Open Scholarship
- Collaboration and Sustainability
- Emerging Trends and Technologies
- Leadership, Communication and Marketing
- Library Assessment and Impact
- User-centered Services
- Inclusive Digital and Print Collections
- International Professional Networking



MORTENSON CENTER
@ THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS LIBRARY
developing librarians worldwide

Applications are due **9 December 2024**.

For more information and to apply, please visit the Mortenson Center website: www.library.illinois.edu/mortenson/associates

PARTICIPATE IN A UNIQUE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM!

"Libraries Unbound: Open, Inclusive and Engaged"

June 2 - June 25, 2025

The **2025 Mortenson Center Associates Program** will offer individuals working in a library and/or information services setting outside the United States an opportunity to explore critical issues and trends in the library field and engage with librarians implementing cutting-edge programs and services.



EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES



FIELD VISITS



SMARTER STRATEGIES

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Seminars and Workshops provide an overview of current trends in the field. Library experts will be invited to share their perspectives, offer expertise, and foster conversations on the themes of leadership, communication, and innovation in order to develop open, inclusive, technological advanced and engaged libraries.

Tours of a variety of libraries, including academic, public, and special libraries. We may also visit the American Library Association headquarters in Chicago, Illinois and other sites of interest.

Networking with dynamic group of international colleagues during and post-program.

Participants will develop **individual action plans**, appropriate to their professional and institutional needs, and will receive post-program implementation review.

Each participant will receive a **Certificate of Program Participation** upon completion.

Scheduling allows participants to attend the **Annual Meeting of the American Library Association (ALA)**, if they wish. The 2025 ALA Annual Conference & Exhibition will be in Philadelphia, June 26 – July 1, 2025. <https://2025.alaannual.org/>. Arrangements and registration for the conference must be made separately and are not included in the program costs.

SAVE THE DATE!

Join us online to learn about the program and meet past Associates.

Online Information Session

Tuesday, 8 October 2024; 7:00-8:00am Central Time (Chicago)

Register at: <http://go.illinois.edu/AssociatesOrientation>

To find your local time for this information session, visit www.worldtimebuddy.com



APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

> Application must be submitted in English along with supporting documentation in order to be considered. See: <https://www.library.illinois.edu/mortenson/associates>

> Applicants must secure adequate funding to support participation in the program.

> Program is delivered in English only, and participants should be fluent in conversational English and possess a reading knowledge of English.



2018 Mortenson Associates engaged in a group project

COST

The 2025 program cost is \$4,000 USD. It covers program fees, housing, some meals, local transportation and medical insurance. It does not cover expenses for visa application, and airfare and/or ground transportation to and from Champaign-Urbana.

READ ABOUT THE ASSOCIATES EXPERIENCE AT:

<https://associates.web.illinois.edu/>

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