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A New Online Open Access Publication for Pennsylvania's Librarians

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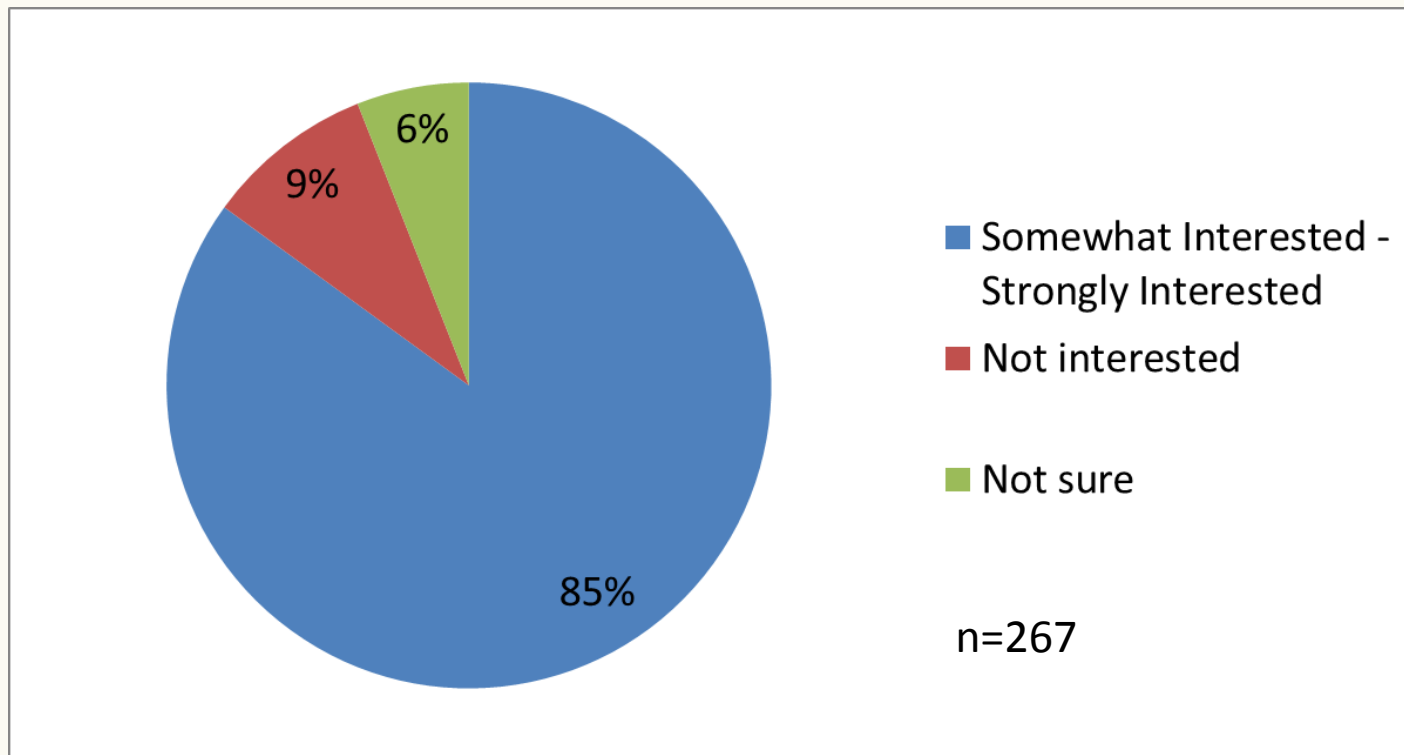
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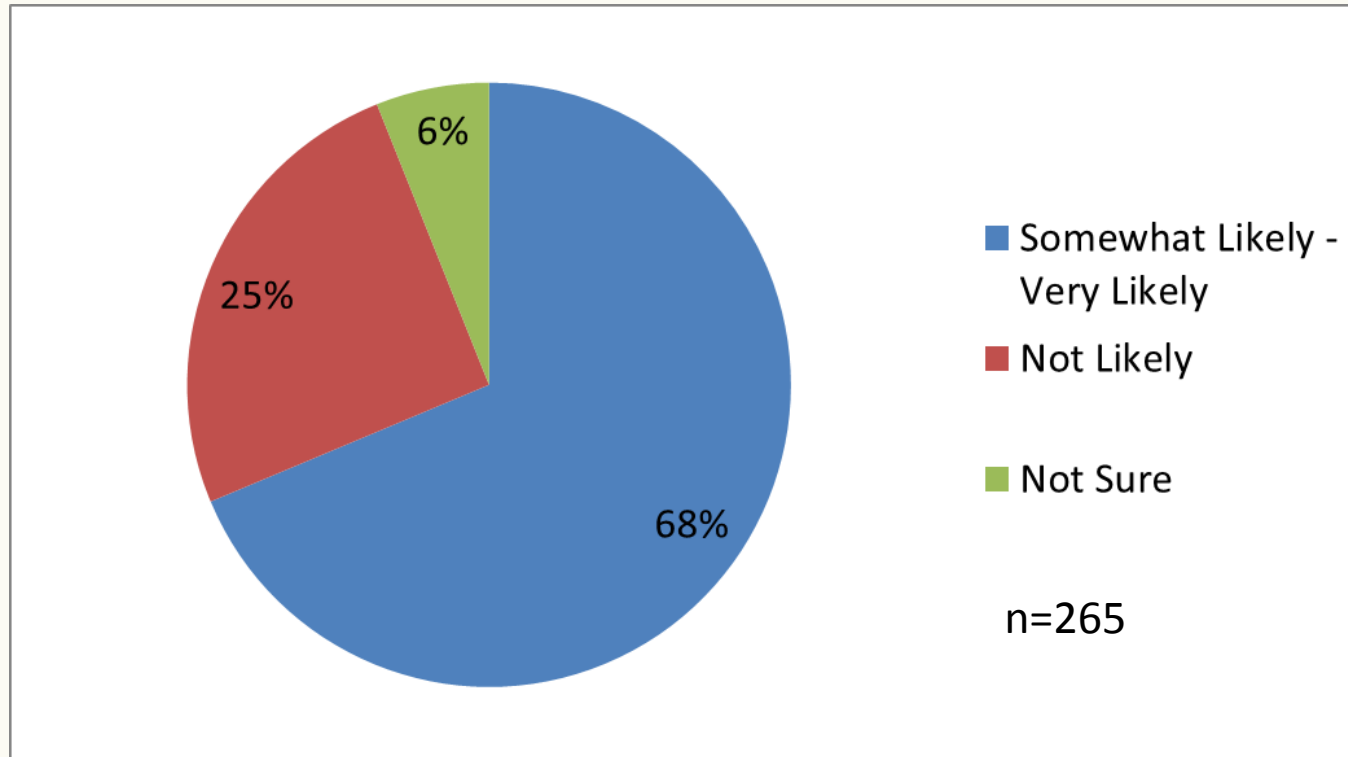
- A need for better communication among academic librarians within PaLA
- Chair of the College & Research Division expressed an interest in a new publication featuring articles from librarians within the state.

The College & Research Division has established an ad hoc committee to investigate sponsoring an online peer-reviewed open access publication.

How interested would you be in reading such a publication?



How likely would you be to submit articles to such a publication?



What topics would you like to read about?

Research Articles

Archives
Assessment
Cataloging / Metadata / Technical Services
Collaborations
Collection Development
Copyright / Fair Use
Digital Collections & Scholarship
Disabilities
Distance Learning / Online Education
E-books
Embedded Librarianship
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Grants

Practical Articles

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Information Literacy / Instruction
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Library Education
Marketing
Mobile Devices
Outreach / Liaison work
Reserves
Reviews of Reference Sources
Scholarly Communication / Open Access
Student Workers
Technology
Textbooks

News from PA Libraries



Policy Decisions

What do we want this to look like?

Fit with other PaLA publications

- PaLA Bulletin – It's Academic Column
(4 per year)
- College & Research Division Blog
(Weekly) crdpala.org
- Online Peer Reviewed Journal
(2 issues per year)

Journal Description

- Provide an opportunity for librarians in PA to share knowledge and experience with practicing librarians across PA and beyond.
- Expose readers to the unique and valuable work of librarians in Pennsylvania that may not be published elsewhere in the library literature.
- Include articles from all areas of librarianship, with a special focus on activities in Pennsylvania's academic libraries.

Journal Sections

- Research - Reports of research in all areas of librarianship that provide insight to academic librarians in Pennsylvania.
- Practice - Articles describing best practices.
- Commentary - Original essays thoughtfully discussing current trends or challenges.
- News - Brief reports announcing new & noteworthy developments in Pennsylvania libraries.

Article Submission Policies

- Submissions are encouraged from all Pennsylvania librarians; library paraprofessionals; graduate students, or other information professionals.
- *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* (APA Style Manual), 6th edition
- 100-150 word abstract

Review Process

- Research and Practice articles
- Essay / Commentary articles
- News Items

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Journal Title

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Technology Decisions

How are we going to do this?

Why Open Access?

- Because we can
- To reach a large audience and have a positive impact on the profession in Pennsylvania
- Share stories with the profession & the public
- Open access is the future of scholarly publishing

A Little More on Open Access

Open Access is:

- “digital, online, free of charge, and free of most copyright and licensing restrictions. What makes it possible is the internet and the consent of the author or copyright-holder...
- ...compatible with copyright, peer review, revenue (even profit), print, preservation, prestige, quality, career-advancement, indexing, and other features and supportive services associated with conventional scholarly literature.” (P. Suber – Open Access Overview)



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- Is Open Source Software
- Is Customizable
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Welcome to *Pennsylvania Libraries: Research & Practice (PaLRaP)*, a peer-reviewed, Open Access journal, sponsored by the College and Research Division of the Pennsylvania Library Association (CRD-PaLA).

Pennsylvania Libraries: Research & Practice provides for the sharing of knowledge and experience with library and information professionals across Pennsylvania and beyond. The journal aims to expose readers to the unique and valuable research and initiatives of Pennsylvania's librarians and libraries, contributions that may not be widely known in the literature or outside the Commonwealth.

Pennsylvania has more institutions of higher education and serves more students than nearly all other states, and many academic libraries exist to serve these institutions. Members of the Pennsylvania Library Association have expressed a need to improve communication among the academic library community within Pennsylvania. This online open access journal will provide librarians, support staff, and graduate students with an additional outlet for disseminating information about the many innovative initiatives in Pennsylvania's academic libraries.

Our inaugural issue will launch in spring 2013. We will announce our initial call for papers and proposals in October 2012.



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- Fall 2012 – First call for submissions
- March 2013 – First issue to be published
- October 2013 – Second issue to be published

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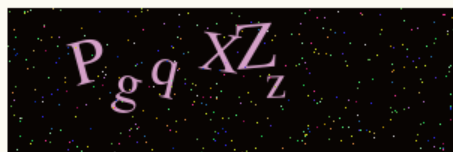
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