

First Five Years Advisory Council

Finding a way ahead for new professionals

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About the Council

Created in 2010 to advise the SLA Executive Board on issues related to new professionals

Tasks:

- Develop learning and networking opportunities
- Work with SLA units to promote relevant programming and to encourage mentoring
- Advise SLA councils on issues faced by new professionals
- Identify useful resources and promote them via social media



Never Mind 2012, Here's 2013

Due to widespread turnover at the start of the year, 2012 has been spent reorganizing and readying the council for an active 2013

The Plan Ahead:

- Develop a series of webinars to lead up to SLA 2013
- Reach out to units' First Five Years Ambassadors to promote programming
- Discuss mentoring with units with an eye to develop a replicable program
- Advise the SLA web development team on resources for new professionals to include on the SLA website



Reaching out to UNYSLA

As we move forward to build a strong, useful committee, we are reaching out to divisions and chapters such as UNYSLA for help

A few humble requests...

- Nominate a First Five Years Ambassador to act as a liaison to the council
- Share with us your best practices for reaching out to, programming for, and mentoring new professionals
- Inform us of programs of note you would like us to promote through our social media presences
- Let us know of resources that we should share with our audience of new professionals



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