

Selected Sources of Ideas for Research Topics

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These are some sources of topics for research. Research articles and dissertations may include sections on further research needed.

Guide to Literacy CD (analysis of information literacy literature by Dr. John Weiner; available on request)

Research Agendas:

Some library organizations have developed research agendas:

AALL <http://www.aallnet.org/main-menu/Member-Resources/grants/research-grants/research-agenda.html>

ACRL Research Agenda for Library Instruction and Information Literacy.

<http://www.ala.org/acrl/aboutacrl/directoryofleadership/sections/is/iswebsite/projpubs/researchagendaforlibrary>

ACRL Research Agenda for Women and Gender Studies Librarianship.

http://wikis.ala.org/acrl/index.php/Research_Agenda_for_Women_and_Gender_Studies_Librarianship

ACRL Scholarly Communications Research Agenda. <http://www.ala.org/acrl/issues/scholcomm/scresearch04>

ALA ALCTS Cataloging and Classification. <http://www.ala.org/alcts/resources/org/cat/research/overv>

ALA YALSA National Research Agenda. <http://www.ala.org/yalsa/guidelines/research/researchagenda>

CLIR Digital Preservation Research Agenda. <http://www.clir.org/pubs/reports/pub107/hedstrom.html>

LC National Preservation Research Agenda for the Human Record.

<http://www.loc.gov/preservation/scientists/projects/agenda.html>

MLA 2008 Research Agenda http://www.mlanet.org/research/agenda_2008.html

Here are some **articles** that include research agendas:

Audunson, et al. (2000). Millennium project research agenda: Management of libraries and information centers. *Library Quarterly* 70(3):vii-xvii.

Hernon and Schwartz. (2008). Leadership: Developing a research agenda for academic libraries. *Library & Information Science Research* 30:243-9

Lankes. (2004). The digital reference research agenda. *Journal of the American Society for Information Science and Technology*. 55(4):301-11.

Levy. (2003). Educational informatics: an emerging research agenda. *Journal of Information Science*. 29(4):298-310.

"Research Agenda" in *The Value of Academic Libraries* (p. 101).

http://www.ala.org/acrl/sites/ala.org.acrl/files/content/issues/value/val_report.pdf

Richardson. (2000). Millennium project research agenda: cataloging and classification. *Library Quarterly* 70(2):ix-xx.

Richardson. (2000). Millennium project research agenda: collection development. *Library Quarterly* 70(4):xi-xix.

Richardson. (2000). Millennium project research agenda: management of libraries and information centers. *Library Quarterly* 70(3):vii-xvii.

Richardson. (2000). Millennium research agenda project: reference services. *Library Quarterly* 70(1):vii-xvii.

Smiraglia. (2010). A research agenda for cataloging: The CCQ Editorial Board responds to the year of cataloging research. *Cataloging & Classification Quarterly* 48(8):645

“A usability research agenda.” <http://ldp.library.jhu.edu/vhost-base/usabilitys/documents/agenda>