



CANADIAN ASSOCIATION
OF LAW LIBRARIES
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DES BIBLIOTHÈQUES DE DROIT

*Developing and Supporting Legal Information Specialists
Perfectionnement et soutien des spécialistes de l'information juridique*

Professional Development Committee

Date Established: November 8, 1996 Executive Board Meeting

Mandate:

To promote the value of continuing education to CALL/ ACBD members.

- To ascertain the needs and wishes of the membership in regard to continuing professional education by survey or other means of inquiry acceptable to the membership.
- To formulate a plan to assist the membership to enhance their positions and their professional knowledge base by developing their skill sets and/or increasing their knowledge and understanding of substantive legal issues, through various forms of continuing education.
- To open channels of communication and cooperation with educational institutions involved in the initial training of legal information professionals to the following ends:
 - providing information as to the changing needs of the profession;
 - identifying individuals with the necessary knowledge base to assist in curriculum and program development;
 - cooperating in encouraging CALL/ACBD members in undertaking work/study placements/practicums.
- To establish, jointly with the Scholarship and Awards Committee, terms of reference for the awarding of education grants to members or officially designated groups of the Association. To provide a liaison member to the Scholarship Committee to facilitate this joint responsibility.

Composition:

The chair to be appointed by the President. Other members appointed by the chair with approval by President/Board. One member must also be a member of the Scholarship Committee.