

## **Continuing Education Priority and Revenue**

SCRLC members consistently indicate through needs assessments that continuing education is one of the most important services the Council offers.

In January 1981, the Board of Trustees passed a resolution stating,

Continuing library education is a function which many libraries cannot provide adequately for their staffs. The Board of Trustees of South Central Research Library Council therefore affirms the value of continuing library education in the professional development of librarians in the region which in turn contributes to the improvement of regional library services. South Central Research Library Council Board of Trustees confirms continuing education as a major priority in the overall Council program.

As of 2017, continuing education continues to be a major priority for the Council.

Continuing education programs should be self-sustaining whenever possible. Registration fees should be sufficient to cover direct and indirect costs. Whenever possible, SCRLC's program budgets (RBDB, HLSP, and MISP), operating budget, and outside grants may be used to defray costs to participants in order to offer expert presenters.

Continuing education will be offered to SCRLC members and members of the Empire State Library Network at a lower rate than to non-members.

Archived webinars are made freely available to the library community whenever possible.

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