News - Georgia Library Association Technical Services Interest Group Research Working Group

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At the January 2012 meeting of the Technical Services Interest Group (TSIG) at the Georgia Library Association Mid-Winter Planning Conference, Amy Eklund proposed creating a working group to explore using TSIG as a vehicle to promote statewide technical services research. The TSIG Research Working Group was thus established, comprised of TSIG members from academic, government and public libraries:

Amy Eklund (co-chair), Georgia Perimeter College  
Guy Frost (co-chair), Valdosta State University  
Hyun Kim, Kennesaw State University  
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To lay the groundwork for promoting collaboration and research, the working group initiated two projects: 1) to conduct a literature review on the value of technical services departments and trends, and 2) to create a database registry of technical services research.

The literature review is still in the planning stages, but contributions to the database registry are now being accepted via http://bit.ly/VeZjCx. The registry will include individual and group research projects (published and unpublished) conducted by Georgia librarians, staff and library school students in the last 15 years, and encompass topics in the areas of cataloging and metadata, serials, acquisitions, collection development, systems, and technical services management. Individuals who have conducted research meeting these criteria are encouraged to contribute to the registry. Please contact the authors for additional information.