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Several academic librarians in the Georgia Library Association (GLA) have attended the Harvard Leadership Institute for Academic Librarians (LIAL). People at various stages of management and from all types of academic libraries, including community colleges, small liberal arts schools, big research universities, and law and medical libraries, are welcome. There is limited financial aid available for those whose institutions do not or cannot cover all costs.

LIAL “provides the tools and insight needed to improve your leadership effectiveness and help your library respond to a rapidly shifting landscape. It is designed for those who must think strategically about emerging student and faculty needs, changing expectations of library staff, new technologies and long-range plans for the library.” The faculty are skilled teachers, and it’s a bit like returning to college for a senior seminar—lots of reading ahead of time, but well worth it.

Elizabeth (Liz) Bagley at Agnes Scott College participated during July 2013 and would be glad to discuss the benefits with any GLA member who is considering applying to the week-long summer program. You may contact Liz at ebagley@agnesscott.edu.