



Council of Librarians

Resolution 21-1: Outlining Principles and Procedures for Opening Regular Council Meetings to All

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Whereas the Council of Librarians remains steadfast in building and sustaining an inclusive and transparent assembly in order to enhance working relationships and increase awareness and visibility among departments, schools, and the University; and

Whereas the Council membership is committed to the GW Values of Openness, Collaboration, and Diversity; and

Whereas the Code and By-Laws of the Council of Librarians does not restrict non-members from attending regular meetings,

The Council of Librarians therefore resolves to assert that regular meetings are open to members and non-members alike and to actively promote and encourage open attendance at regular meetings for all, including, but not limited to, our colleagues within the Libraries and Academic Innovation (LAI.)

To this end, the Council adopts the following logistical guidelines:

- All attendees (Council members and non) are welcome to participate in discussions and ask questions related to the agreed-upon agenda when recognized by the Chair during meetings.
- Voting will remain limited to Council members as stipulated in the Code and By-Laws and non-members will not be counted towards quorum.
- Meeting schedules and agendas will be shared, in accordance with the timeline set forth in the By-Laws (Section VI, Rule 2), on the [Council's webpage](#) and further promoted through other communication channels (i.e. Slack, email, newsletters, etc.) to encourage attendance.
- Council reserves the right to hold meetings in closed session when necessary.
- Amendments to this resolution may be proposed by Council members through the parliamentary means available to Council members.