



CONSORTIUM OF ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH LIBRARIES IN ILLINOIS (CARLI) MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

The mission of CARLI is to lead Illinois academic libraries to create and sustain a rich, supportive, and diverse knowledge environment that furthers teaching, learning, and research through the sharing of collections, expertise, and programs.

There are three levels of membership in CARLI (Governing, Associate and Basic) which offer access to varying products, services, and programs. The obligations and benefits of each level of membership, in addition to those set forth in this Membership Agreement, will be as determined from time to time by the CARLI Board of Directors.

While individual member libraries retain autonomy over their own operations, participation in a consortium requires collaboration and commitment to the consortium. As a consideration for acceptance and continuation of any level of membership in CARLI, the institution agrees:

1. To abide by the Bylaws of the Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois and the common policies, protocols, rules and regulations adopted by the Consortium.
2. To assume and pay promptly any and all financial obligations arising from membership and participation in services offered through the Consortium.
3. To affirm that CARLI membership does not replace institutional obligations to maintain and enhance library collections, staff, and technological infrastructure.
4. To act in accordance with all terms and conditions of contractual agreements made by CARLI and its business and contractual agent, the University of Illinois, on behalf of member libraries and to accept responsibility for the acts or omissions of its own employees related to such agreements.
5. To maintain current awareness of CARLI policy issues, system developments and library responsibilities to the Consortium. Governing and Associate members will provide ongoing appropriate representation at CARLI membership meetings. Additionally, Governing members will provide staff representation and voluntary service to various committees, task forces and forums sponsored by CARLI.

Failure to comply with these terms and conditions may lead to the imposition of sanctions or membership termination as specified in the Consortium's bylaws, and other legal actions arising from the member library's contractual obligations with vendors and service providers as may be appropriate.

Membership Level Selection

We choose to become a CARLI member library at the level marked below

_____ Governing

_____ Associate

_____ Basic

Initial membership in CARLI begins on July 1, 2007, and membership fees will be payable in the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2008. The level of membership indicated above shall remain in force and be renewed annually until the member institution indicates, as specified below, that it wishes to change its membership level or terminate its membership in CARLI.

A member institution may choose a fuller membership level by submitting a new, signed membership agreement specifying the desired change to the CARLI office.

A member institution may choose a lesser membership level. Such a change requires six month advance notification in writing to the CARLI Executive Director, and the submission of a new, signed membership agreement specifying the desired change to the CARLI office.

A member institution may terminate its membership in CARLI with six month advance notification in writing to the CARLI Executive Director. A terminating member is and will continue to be responsible for any and all financial obligation incurred during its entire membership period.

Acceptance of CARLI Membership Agreement

As representatives of the institution legally authorized to execute agreements and contracts and to financially obligate their institution, and for the library named below, we agree by signing this document that the institution will abide by all of the terms and conditions stated in this agreement for membership in CARLI.

Accepted By:

Name of Institution

Name of Library

Signature

(Print Name)

(Print Title)

Date

Accepted By:

Susan Singleton
Executive Director/Assistant Vice President
Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in
Illinois (CARLI)

Date