UWOFA-LA representative to Joint Committee: Responsibilities

The UWOFA-LA member of Joint Committee (JC) represents the perspectives of Librarians & Archivists Members in committee discussions. The member will bring forth issues, questions, or concerns “related to the administration, operation, or interpretation of the UWOFA-LA Collective Agreement” voiced by Librarians & Archivists Members (UWOFA-LA Collective Agreement, “Joint Committee,” 5). The UWOFA-LA JC member first brings these concerns to the UWOFA co-chair of Joint Committee and the other UWOFA committee members. The concerns may then be raised in Joint Committee when appropriate. After discussion, Joint Committee may recommend to the Employer and the Association changes to procedures for the application of the Collective Agreement(s), or changes to the Collective Agreement(s).

Role responsibilities:

• Attendance at monthly Joint Committee meetings. The UWOFA members of JC often hold a pre-meeting UWOFA caucus.

• Participation in occasional activities to inform JC discussion or arising from JC recommendations and decisions, including working groups, report drafting, canvassing of UWOFA-LA Member opinions and experiences, and development and delivery of Member training.

• Attendance at monthly Librarians & Archivists Stewards Committee meetings (including delivery of report on recent JC discussion and activities) and related activities arising from these meetings.

The UWOFA-LA representative to Joint Committee serves ex officio on the Librarians & Archivists Stewards Committee (LASC) to facilitate communication between the two committees. When stewards raise issues related to the Collective Agreement, the UWOFA-LA JC member can relay these to Joint Committee. The member will also provide updates on JC discussion at LASC meetings.