

## DL Decision Checklist

Candidate Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Selection Criteria** (*adapted from SUNY Policies & Procedures*)

Academic librarians demonstrate unique talents as faculty who promote and facilitate access to information, create knowledge-based solutions, and guide all sectors of the community toward informed judgments about the quality and the principled use of information. They enhance student learning, inquiry, and success via classroom teaching, research consultations, and the development of instructional guides. In addition, they leverage their distinctive position on campus to facilitate collaborations across campus.

The pathways to the rank of Distinguished Librarian are many and diverse. To attain the rank of Distinguished Librarian, a candidate must exhibit all of the following qualities and levels of accomplishments:

<http://system.suny.edu/academic-affairs/faculty-staff-awards/distinguished-faculty-ranks/>

Criteria	Indicators	Yes	No
<b>Significance of Contributions</b>	The portfolio and letters of recommendation provide evidence that the nominee has made contributions to the profession of librarianship that are of national or international significance.		
<b>Stature</b>	The portfolio and letters of recommendation provide evidence that the nominee has achieved stature and distinction beyond their own library, beyond their own college or university, and indeed, beyond SUNY. They may achieve this stature and distinction through formal scholarship, research, and publications or other paths including forging alliances, creating resources or networks, or shifting the understanding of core precepts of the field.		
<b>Transformative</b>	The portfolio and letters of recommendation provide evidence that the impact of the nominee’s contributions is transformational. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Achievements have contributed to transforming the profession of librarianship and the work of librarians.</i></li> <li>• <i>Nominee has broken boundaries, expanded potentials, and engendered positive change in academe.</i></li> </ul>		
<b>Leadership</b>	The portfolio and letters of recommendation provide evidence that the nominee has demonstrated leadership in realizing the potential for access to world-wide information resources, in changing the nature of information seeking, and/or designing or developing systems which facilitate the creation, navigation, access, and effective use of the burgeoning information environment.		

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<b>Excellence &amp; Innovation</b>	The portfolio and letters of recommendation provide evidence that the nominee has performed with excellence and innovation in a domain of librarianship, including but not limited to information and knowledge creation, resource sharing, information literacy, data management, technical services, system and/or facilities design, or leadership and administration.		
<b>Role Model</b>	The portfolio and letters of recommendation provide evidence that the nominee's career serves as a model for librarians and provides inspiration to colleagues. The evidence indicates the nominee has earned the respect of members of the information professions as well as their professorial counterparts by the quality, vigor, and innovative nature of their thinking, their standards of performance, and the effectiveness of their initiatives.		
<b>Decision</b>	<i>The nominee meets, and preferably surpasses, all criteria for the award.</i>		