

## **Computer Science Roundtable Agenda**

Tuesday, June 17, 2008

11:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Convention Center 304

1. Using electronic books as textbooks [is anyone using open textbooks?]
2. Lecture Notes in Computer Science and other titles moving online – strategies for publicizing to users
3. ACM search engine – how it works and how to improve it
4. Errors in databases – how to correct; perhaps a cooperative group of users and publishers?
5. Survey on a “home” Division for the Computer Science Roundtable (Parker Ladwig)

# Zoomerang Survey Results

Launched 11/30/2007; Closed 12/25/2007

Computer Science Survey for SLA Members

Response Status: Completes

Filter: No filter applied

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1. How much of your current position do you consider to be involved with computer science (CS)?		
< 25%	83	55%
25% - 49%	38	25%
50% - 75%	16	11%
> 75%	13	9%
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>100%</b>

2. How many years have you been a member of the Special Libraries Association (SLA)?		
< 2 years	20	13%
2-5 years	35	23%
6-10 years	24	16%
> 10 years	71	47%
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>100%</b>

3. Which SLA Division do you consider "home"?		
Physics-Astronomy-Mathematics	36	24%
Science & Technology	16	11%
Information Technology	15	10%
Engineering	11	7%
Business & Finance	9	6%
Military Librarians	8	5%
Solo Librarians	8	5%
Education	5	3%
Transportation	5	3%
Biomedical & Life Sciences	4	3%
Environment & Resource Management	4	3%
Leadership & Management	4	3%
Petroleum & Energy Resources	4	3%
Chemistry	3	2%
Knowledge Management	3	2%
Legal	3	2%
News	3	2%
Pharmaceutical & Health Technology	3	2%
Museums, Arts & Humanities	2	1%
Food, Agriculture & Nutrition	1	1%
Government Information	1	1%
Insurance & Employee Benefits	1	1%
Social Science	1	1%
Advertising & Marketing	0	0%
Competitive Intelligence	0	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>100%</b>

<b>4. Which other divisions are you involved with?</b>		
Science-Technology	35	30%
Engineering	31	26%
Information Technology	26	22%
Knowledge Management	21	18%
Physics-Astronomy-Mathematics	18	15%
Leadership & Management	17	15%
Chemistry	15	13%
Business & Finance	12	10%
Government Information	10	9%
Solo Librarians	10	9%
Competitive Intelligence	9	8%
Biomedical & Life Sciences	7	6%
Legal	7	6%
Military Librarians	5	4%
Social Science	4	3%
Environment & Resource Management	3	3%
Food, Agriculture & Nutrition	3	3%
Museums, Arts & Humanities	3	3%
Petroleum & Energy Resources	3	3%
Transportation	3	3%
Education	2	2%
News	2	2%
Pharmaceutical & Health Technology	1	1%
Advertising & Marketing	0	0%
Insurance & Employee Benefits	0	0%

<b>5. Besides SLA, what other CS-related professional associations do you belong to?</b>		
American Libraries Association (ALA)	40	49%
The American Society for Information Science & Technology (ASIS&T)	13	16%
Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)	11	14%
Society of Competitive Intelligence Professionals (SCIP)	5	6%
Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)	3	4%
Other(s), please specify	38	47%

<b>6. Do you consider SLA the first place to go for information related to your professional responsibilities?</b>		
Yes	85	57%
No	65	43%
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>100%</b>
89 Responses		

7. Are you satisfied with the current level of CS support provided by SLA and/or the SLA divisions you are involved with?			
Yes	101	67%	
No	49	33%	
<b>Total</b>	150	100%	
68 Responses			

8. Would you like SLA to have its own CS division?			
No	84	56%	
Yes	66	44%	
<b>Total</b>	150	100%	
105 Responses			

9. Should SLA have just one division responsible for members working in CS (whether it's a "CS Division" or some other division)?			
Yes	86	57%	
No	64	43%	
<b>Total</b>	150	100%	
90 Responses			

10. Which division would be best for providing CS support? (1 is your 1st choice, 6 your last.)							
Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	1	2	3	4	5	6	
"CS Division"	54 36%	23 15%	15 10%	15 10%	21 14%	22 15%	
Engineering	8 5%	19 13%	37 25%	48 32%	34 23%	4 3%	
Information Technology	56 37%	42 28%	18 12%	14 9%	15 10%	5 3%	
Physics-Astronomy-Mathematics	18 12%	11 7%	25 17%	39 26%	38 25%	19 13%	
Science-Technology	6 4%	47 31%	49 33%	29 19%	17 11%	2 1%	
Another division	8 5%	8 5%	6 4%	5 3%	25 17%	98 65%	

11. If you think "another division" should be involved, which division?	
26 Responses, 4 for Knowledge Management	

**12. Which format would you prefer for the CS Roundtable held at the annual SLA conference?**

Mix of two	113	75%
Current topics discussion	22	15%
Presentations	8	5%
Other, please specify	7	5%
<b>Total</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>100%</b>

**13. What else could SLA or its divisions do to help you with your CS responsibilities?**

25 Responses

**14. Any other comments you would like to share?**

18 Responses

**15. For our information: How would you define CS (please cite source, if appropriate)?**

38 Responses