



**MORTENSON CENTER**  
@ THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS LIBRARY  
*developing librarians worldwide*

# Participate in a Unique Professional Development Program!

**“Innovative, Responsive, and Vital Libraries”**

**May 25 – June 21, 2016**

The 2016 Mortenson Center Associates Program will offer individuals working in a library setting outside the United States an opportunity to explore current issues and trends in the library field and engage with librarians implementing cutting-edge programs and services.

***Innovative, Responsive, and Vital Libraries*** will engage participants in learning about novel and inventive practices and services in areas such as:

- Leadership and Communication
- Digital and Print Collections
- Information Technology
- Marketing and Advocacy
- International Professional Networking
- Innovation and Community Outreach



Mortenson Center Staff and 2015 Associates

## Program Highlights:

- **Seminars and Workshops** which provide an overview of current trends in the field. Library experts will be invited to share their perspectives, offer expertise, and foster conversations on the themes of communication and leadership.
- **Tours** of a variety of libraries, including academic, public, and school libraries. We may also visit the American Library Association headquarters in Chicago, Illinois and other sites of interest.
- **Networking** with dynamic group of international colleagues during and post-program.
- Participants will develop **individual action plans**, appropriate to their professional and institutional needs, and will receive post-program implementation review.
- Each participant will receive a **Certificate of Program Participation** upon completion.
- Scheduling to allow participants to attend the **Annual Meeting of the American Library Association (ALA)**, if they wish. The 2016 Annual Meeting will be in Orlando, Florida, June 24-27. Arrangements and registration for the conference must be made separately and are not included in program costs.

For more information about the 2016 program or to download an application, please visit the Mortenson Center website:

[www.library.illinois.edu/mortenson/associates](http://www.library.illinois.edu/mortenson/associates)

Applications for the 2016 Associates Program are due on **December 1, 2015**.





Mortenson Associates participate in a team-building activity during a Leadership and Communication Workshop.



Associates participate in a hands-on activity while learning about digitization.

### Application Requirements:

- Application must be submitted in English along with supporting documentation in order to be considered.
- Applicants must secure adequate funding to support a stay at the Mortenson Center in order to be accepted into the program.
- This program is delivered in English only. Participants should be fluent in conversational English and possess a reading knowledge of English.

### Cost:

The program cost of \$5,000 covers housing, meals, local transportation, program costs and medical insurance.

Upon acceptance, the applicants must provide a \$500 non-refundable deposit to hold their place in the program. The deposit will be deducted from required program fees. A cost estimate for the program is available on the Mortenson Center website.



Mortenson Associates visit American Library Association Headquarters in Chicago, Illinois.