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There is no stated theme. Research papers should address one of the significant issues facing today's librarians and information professionals. Case studies, best practices and pure research papers are all welcome.

\* Length: approx. 5,000-7,000 words

\* Language: English

\* Deadline: June 30, 2012

\* Papers should have been written not earlier than January 1, 2011.

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Submissions will be judged on the basis of

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- \* the international readership of the journal

The article will be published in the 2012:4 issue and will be available under open access on <http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/libr.2012.62.issue-1/issue-files/libr.2012.62.issue-1.xml>

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All submissions should include a cover sheet confirming:

- \* the name of the institution where the student is or was enrolled
- \* the dates when the student is or was enrolled
- \* the date when the paper was written and the course for which it was prepared

\* Exception: Senior information scholars returning to school for additional degrees outside the field of library and information science are not eligible for this award.

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