Part III: Recognizing and Rewarding Leadership

Recommendation 4: The archival profession should reward activities that advance archival practice with information technology, electronic records, and electronic communication.

The archival profession must respond to the changing patterns of scholarly communication and the emergence of a new communication medium. Leadership capable of guiding the archival profession should be cultivated by promoting graduate education programs, collaborative projects, and professional coalitions targeted at advancing archival operations in global network environments. The Society of American Archivists and the field’s other professional associations should recognize and reward excellence in research, pilot projects, collaborative associations, and programmatic implementations related to the management of electronic records, the use of information technology to improve archival practice, and the establishment of archival methods suitable to modern communication mediums.

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