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ALIA's Training and Strategic Programs Manager, Kirrin Sampson, is assisted by Agnes Lekawski, who is also one of ALIA's Membership Officers. ALIA partners with external providers who have expertise in the training topic to deliver the course or the workshop. For example, ALIA partners with Sydney TAFE to offer the course Cultural Connections: Library Services for Indigenous Australians. Sydney TAFE uses Moodle (the online learning management system) so that participants can complete the course within three weeks, but it is self-paced.

Kirrin brings a background in IT and education to ALIA. For more than eight years she worked for a start-up company that became the Australian distributor for Apple. She studied economics as an undergraduate but returned to university to undertake a master's degree in education. She worked at a Sydney school for students with special needs for a few years and in the school library before moving to Canberra and joining ALIA.



Agnes Lekawski (left) and Kirrin Sampson

Kirrin first started with ALIA's Education team, assisting with the Professional Development Scheme. From there she took responsibility for ALIA Training, oversight of ALIA's state managers and other strategic projects. Her latest is working on the outcomes from ALIA's National Early Literacy Summit.

Agnes Lekawski previously worked as a computer programmer in the Attorney General's Department in Canberra.

ALIA benefits from the business, customer service, education and IT skills that both Kirrin and Agnes bring to the training team. If you have any questions about any aspect of ALIA Training, you can contact them by email (training@alia.org.au) or read more about the great courses and workshops that they organise at alia.org.au/training.

