The 2020 Pathway will make our profession stronger

Three steps to one step

Right now, joining the ALIA Professional Development (PD) Scheme involves three steps:

1. Join ALIA, be accepted as an Associate, Library Technician or Allied Field member
2. Join the ALIA PD Scheme
3. Apply to do a specialisation, if interested.

From 2020, when a new Associate, Library Technician or Allied Field member joins ALIA they will be able to make a formal commitment to ongoing learning all in one process. After one ALIA PD Scheme year, they will be recognised as Certified Professionals. This will become the new preferred professional standard recognised by the sector.

Why should I join the ALIA PD Scheme?

Shape and make your future. The ALIA PD Scheme provides a framework for your ongoing learning that supports keeping current professional skills and knowledge. Enhance your own career opportunities and in turn make your workplace and the profession stronger.

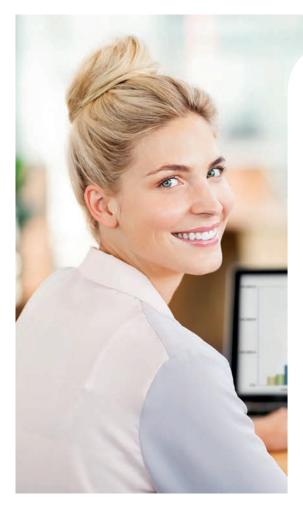### How does this fit with what is happening in other countries?

This complements what is happening internationally, for example, CILIP with Chartership and LIANZA with Professional Registration.

When can I join the ALIA PD Scheme?

Associate, Library Technician and Allied Field Members can join at any time before or after the 2020 changes. Join at bit.ly/2ocUYow.

Do I need to be a Personal Member of ALIA or can I join the PD Scheme through my institution/organisation?

Yes, you need to be a Personal Member, as PD is very much an individual learning journey that continues wherever your career takes you.

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