

MLA affirms its commitment to diversity and inclusion by seeking the broadest participation of racially and ethnically diverse librarians and library support staff who provide leadership in the transformation of libraries and library services.

The MLA Equity Fund is used to provide individual grants to fund professional development opportunities for individuals currently underrepresented in the library profession. MLA Equity Fund Grants will reduce financial barriers and uplift the professional development of Black, Indigenous, Latinx, Asian, North African, and Middle Eastern individuals by providing resources to be used for memberships, attendance at workshops, educational events, or conferences of the applicants' choosing, or for other purposes that they believe increase their ability to impact and transform the library profession.

The 2022 MLA Equity Fund Grants will be awarded for activities occurring between July 1, 2022, and June 30, 2023. Requests of up to \$1,000 will be considered. Partial funding of a request is possible. Not all applicants will be funded.

The application form will be open Monday, April 18, 2022, through Friday, June 3, 2022, at 5:00 PM. Download the [MLA Equity Fund Guidelines for complete details](#) . Submit completed application packets using the online form.