

## Taskforce on the 2019 CEAL Annual Program: Panel of EA Librarians

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**Background:**

Digital scholarship is changing the landscape of higher education. Academic libraries must change accordingly. How to change and what the new roles of academic libraries/librarians in general and East Asian libraries/librarians in particular will be; these questions have posed tough challenges to us all. Approved by the Executive Board (EB), the general theme of the 2019 CEAL annual plenary program will focus on “the Roles of East Asian libraries/librarians in the Age of Digital Scholarship.” EB has recommended that a study initiated by EA librarians be conducted and presented at the plenary. To achieve this, one afternoon plenary session will be designated for a panel of East Asian librarians. The plenary will focus on issues of immediate concerns of CEAL members. The taskforce is charged to prepare and implement this afternoon panel of East Asian librarians.

**Charge:**

Working closely with CEAL president and EB as well as with CEAL members, the taskforce identifies the top issues concerning CEAL members regarding the roles of East Asian libraries and/or librarians in digital scholarship; organizes a 60-minute panel or roundtable for an afternoon plenary session at the 2019 CEAL annual meeting; and conducts a study of the concerned issues to present at the plenary panel. Please consult CEAL Bylaws Article VI for guidance.

The taskforce will submit to CEAL president its action plan including a timeline by June 30th, 2018.