

**EVALUATION SUMMARY**  
**IDS CONFERENCE NEW LIBRARY ORIENTATION**  
**SUNY OSWEGO**  
**August 5-6, 2008**  
(12 respondents)

1) Did the orientation meet your expectations?                      Yes: 12    No: 0

2) What was the most beneficial aspect of the orientation?

- A: Ed's presentation is always great. ☺ (Mentor)
- A: Toolkit, especially custom holdings
- A: Overview of IDS goals and benefits, meeting and connecting with colleagues
- A: Networking with other IDS participants.
- A: Toolkit orientation and process overview
- A: Overview of the project
- A: Meeting colleagues, learning more about IDS
- A: Meeting the mentors, other IDS staff, and hearing about upcoming upgrades
- A: Presentations of technical aspects and advantages.
- A: Introductions were nice; knowing the support is there.
- A: Keep the introductions if possible.
- A: Being able to meet the prospective library representatives. (Mentor)
- A: Teaser of new release.

3) What was the least beneficial aspect of the orientation?

- A: First 30 minutes
- A: Not speaking to as many folks as I wished. Also the library I am mentoring was not at orientation. (Mentor)

4) On a scale of 1-10 how helpful was the Orientation to the IDS website?  
(1 being not helpful and 10 being extremely helpful)

- A: 10-(2) Extremely
- A: 9-(4) I have really liked the new website design, organization, etc. Great job, thanks for all your work. (Mentor)
- A: 8-(3) Already familiar
- A: 7
- A: 6
- A: 5-Seems fairly straightforward.

**5) On a scale of 1-10 how helpful was the Overview of the Mentor Program, Technical Systems and Guidelines?**

(1 being not helpful and 10 being extremely helpful)

A: 10

A: 9- (6) Excellent comments from the mentors. (Mentor) A bit more revelation and detail about what the mentors can and will do. How they can be used as a resource—on some levels I find this still too amorphous and unclear. (Mentor)

A: 8-(3) Already familiar

A: 7

A: 5

**6) Please share your thoughts on future new member library orientation sessions**

A: More about what new libraries should expect when a mentor visits. (Mentor)

A: Possibly break out user groups based on experience with ILLiad. For those of us who just came on board it would be beneficial to talk about the different steps in the processes.

A: Have more mentors and new members speak on their experiences and reasons for joining.

A: Clarity on what the mentors will actually be able to do for new libraries. (Mentor)

A: Show how resource sharing is transforming library service.

**7) Other comments:**

A: Our institution's problem is server access—otherwise I'm quite comfortable with process, commitment, etc. and hope we can participate soon.

A: The orientation session answered many questions and concerns for me, and has prepared me to get more out of the conference.

A: Follow up to see if IDS Project libraries are using Toolkit and other items on checklist.

A: Great food, thanks very much. Glad the Toolkit was introduced.