

**Update notes for
Accreditation Process, Policies, and Procedures (AP3), fourth edition
February 1, 2019**

At the COA meeting during the ALA Midwinter Meeting (January 26-27, 2019), the Committee on Accreditation (COA) approved a policy adjustment to *Accreditation Process, Policies, and Procedures (AP3)*, fourth edition, section I.18.1.

Section I.18.1 Statistical reporting:

Changed the section name from “Statistical reports” to “Statistical reporting” and inserted the following after the first paragraph:

Also reviewed are statistics the program makes available publicly on: 1) Retention rate, 2) Average time to degree completion, and 3) Percentage of graduates holding positions relevant to the degree within 12 months of degree completion (which may include further graduate study). Those three statistics are to be positioned first among a listing of any other data the program would like to include. This data is to be accessible no more than one click off the program landing page. *Effective February 1, 2019, for full implementation by March 28, 2019.*

Rationale: To address Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) requirements that programs “provide reliable information to the public on their performance, including student achievement as determined by the institution or program.”