
THE PERIODICAL ACRIBIA

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The periodical edited by first-year students of the College of Librarianship is one of those naturally imperfect, but nevertheless necessary works.

There has been very few Romanian publications of librarianship which have made any attempt in this field. This is the reason why first-year students of the College of Librarianship and the Science of Information decided to edit a periodical of their own which could express their thoughts and opinion regarding librarianship in general but more so about librarianship as a profession.

The strongest motivation for this periodical was not only to delve into topics discussed during librarianship courses but to accustom students to write papers and to do primary research in a specific library with the help of librarians. Our task as librarians is to teach the students how to find their way around the mass of information in the library collections of our town.

The first issue of the periodical has the following contents: Preliminaries, Thoughts on Books, On Libraries, On Work in Libraries, Curiosities, Humour and Student Life. These are not permanent headings but we hope that the articles written by our students will encompass all these aspects. Regarding the frequency of the periodical I think that a number each semester (until graduation) is sufficient at the beginning.

We have tried to present the work of this semester and we would like to continue the publication of this periodical, no matter how difficult this might prove. We hope that we can find sponsors so that the periodical can improve its layout etc. Students could complete research in other towns as well, hopefully even abroad.

The title of the periodical, inventive enough in my opinion, comes from the French word *acribie* ('bookish') that is, exactness, precision in scientific research, seriousness, conscientiousness. The alternative title, *Anastasiştii* (The Anastasians) is flattering for the author of this article because it is derived from her name (Anastasia). We worked together to launch this periodical and I will continue to assist the students in editing the subsequent numbers too.

We hope that this first issue is auspicious, that it will be well received and, last but not least, we hope that our periodical will be successful.