ELUNA (Ex Libris Users of North America) is a not-for-profit advocacy and educational membership organization for libraries that use software products offered by Ex Libris, a ProQuest Company. ELUNA members enjoy benefits through listservs, webinars, regional meetings, the annual conference, and the document repository. Members work closely with Ex Libris by voting on product enhancement priorities.

Members also participate in collaborative testing, training and focus groups, all with the goal of improving Ex Libris products. ELUNA has over 300 members representing more than 1200 institutions in Canada, the Caribbean islands, Central America, Mexico, and the United States. ELUNA members include academic, public, governmental and corporate libraries and library consortia. ELUNA works very closely with its sister organization, IGeLU (International Group of Ex Libris Users), which represents over 350 institutions in more than 40 countries around the world.

Institutional Level Membership
When an institution joins ELUNA, either as an individual library or through a consortium, every staff member at that institution’s library can take advantage of the benefits of membership. It is worth noting that each type of membership includes only one vote on ELUNA matters.

Working Groups: ELUNA Working Groups (WGs) represent the product and functional interests of Ex Libris product users. The WGs work closely with their IGeLU (international) counterparts, sometimes in joint WGs, to help coordinate enhancements and conference planning, and solicit information and feedback from membership in support of product development planning.

Regional User Groups: ELUNA Regional User Groups (RUGs) are officially sanctioned groups that encompass a defined geographical territory and represent a significant number of ELUNA member sites. These groups hold local meetings for their membership. There are currently twelve official ELUNA Regional User Groups.

Special Interest Groups: ELUNA Special Interest Groups (SIGs) have a common, focused interest, e.g., Law Libraries. SIGs allow users to share ideas and discuss issues surrounding their topic of interest.

Membership has its benefits.

Professional Development
Members can be elected to leadership roles on the Steering Committee and/or Working Groups. Members can also participate in joint ELUNA and IGeLU Working Groups and Ex Libris product focus groups.

Reduced Registration Fee at the Annual Conference
The annual conference offers attendees insight into Ex Libris’ strategic directions and opportunities to preview upcoming releases. Attendees share expertise, discuss workflows, and demonstrate locally developed solutions to Ex Libris products. Proceedings are available to members via the ELUNA document repository. Information about upcoming conferences is available online: el-una.org/meetings

Networking Opportunities
ELUNA connects member institutions to a network of other users of Ex Libris products. Members share best practices with peers and support each other through meetings, networking and hosted listservs.

Member Institutions Get a Vote
ELUNA has a product enhancement agreement with Ex Libris. Members strive to improve the quality of Ex Libris products by commenting and voting on product enhancements. Only member institutions have the opportunity to vote on enhancements. By participating in this process, members contribute to Ex Libris’ operational and strategic goals.

Becoming a Member of ELUNA Today!

Becoming a member of ELUNA is easy - simply fill out the membership application and pay the membership fee. The ELUNA membership covers one calendar year, from January to December. Information about current membership fees and the application is available online:

http://el-una.org/about/members/

Note: An ELUNA consortial membership has one collective vote in the enhancement process and other ELUNA concerns; some consortial members also purchase their own separate institutional ELUNA membership.