The GLATA Young Professional's Committee (YPC) is using the "Open Books" organization this year to help serve the community.

"Open Books is a nonprofit social venture that provides literacy experiences for tens of thousands of readers each year through inspiring programs and the creative capitalization of books. Through our Instructional Programs, we cultivate the literacy skills of thousands of children and youth each year, from those who need intervention to those who desire enrichment. Through our Book Grant Programs, we provide readers of all ages with engaging, appropriate, and high-quality books. Each week, we deliver thousands of books to schools and nonprofits across Chicagoland."

Open Books welcomes any sellable book in good condition. This includes fiction, nonfiction, craft books, cookbooks, children's books, textbooks, encyclopedias, and more! We are also now accepting CDs and DVDs in good playable condition.

We will also be accepting monetary donation in the form of cash or checks made payable to "GLATA". The monetary donations will be given as one lump sum to the Open Books organization.

They cannot accept magazines, VHS tapes, or pre-college (K-12) textbooks.

Please help the GLATA YPC give back to the Chicagoland area that is hosting this year's GLATA annual symposium. There will be donation boxes with signs for which to drop of your donated goods. We will provide and update once the books are donated. Please spread the word and this may give you a chance to get rid of all those old college textbooks you were "keeping around for reference".

Thank You, GLATA Young Professional's Committee