In the continuing wake of the Great Recession, there is no longer any way to deny or to escape the responsibility of faculty, particularly faculty in professional fields and other sectors claiming job relevance, to teach and research in areas that funders deem to be essential to the effective delivery of professional services. Bill Crowley, professor, GSLIS, and editor of the 2012 *Defending Professionalism: A Resource for Librarians, Information Specialists, Knowledge Managers, and Archivists*, offers a mea culpa for past faculty mistakes and a way to make amends to past and future professionals.