

Update on Committee on Institutional Cooperation's Shared Print Repository (CIC-SPR)

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The CIC-SPR is a centralized print repository serving fifteen member institutions. A program of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation's Center for Library Initiatives, the CIC-SPR is committed to providing print access to a shared collection of journal backfile volumes. The first phase of this initiative is now underway, with plans for securing some 250,000 volumes over five years.

The CIC-SPR stores collocated, shared print volumes supplied by member libraries in a centralized storage facility. The collection includes a single print copy of widely held, seldom-used print volumes, with access assured to CIC members and their campus affiliates. Libraries retain ownership of all items supplied to the joint collection, ensuring long-term stability and collaboration. More information, including policies and recent updates, can be found at www.cic.net/projects/library/shared-print-repository/.

Recent Activities

- To date, 102,000 journal backfile volumes are secured in the high-density storage facility at Indiana University. We are preparing to ingest 40,000 additional volumes of Springer, Wiley, and Elsevier content from the University of Illinois over the next several months, and other schools are reviewing candidate lists. We anticipate exceeding 140,000 volumes by the end of 2015.
- Indiana University is submitting journals published by scientific scholarly societies. They will complete their ingest in July, and other schools will then begin reviewing society publications holdings.
- A Program Assessment was conducted in accordance with the terms of the SPR's 2011 Memorandum of Understanding. The report was presented to CIC Library Directors at their May meeting and will be presented to the Provosts at their meeting this coming fall. The Library Directors will discuss future directions for the project in November.
- CIC and CRL/PAPR have worked together to develop a tool to facilitate the CIC's multi-institutional collections analysis. CRL has also provided valuable assistance in documenting title takeovers and changes.

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