



**WEST Program Update**  
**PAN Forum, ALA Midwinter 2019**  
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## Western Regional Storage Trust

### **Recruitment is open for the position of WEST Shared Print Operations and Collections Analyst!**

Are you passionate about print collection management in academic libraries? Do you thrive in cooperative environments, excel at facilitating collaborative efforts, and enjoy conceiving and executing innovative analyses? The California Digital Library (CDL) seeks a creative, enthusiastic individual for the position of Shared Print Operations and Collections Analyst. This is a unique and exciting opportunity to engage at a local, regional, national, and even international, level supporting the efficient acquisition, sharing, and restructuring of physical collections in academic libraries. The Shared Print Operations and Collections Analyst coordinates existing and emerging shared print initiatives working with the University of California Libraries and the 65+ members of the Western Regional Storage Trust. The Analyst also has the opportunity to support CDL/UC and WEST in a variety of extramural initiatives, including the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance, the HathiTrust Shared Print Program, and the Partnership for Shared Book Collections.

For details about the position and to submit an application, please visit:

<https://jobs.ucop.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=61498>

### **Alison Wohlers becomes WEST Program Manager**

Formerly WEST's Operations and Collections Analyst, Alison transitioned to the role of WEST Program Manager on December 10, 2018.

### **Archiving Progress**

WEST Archive Holders and Builders have committed to another two years' worth of titles for WEST's Cycles 8 and 9 (extending from spring 2018 through spring 2020). WEST continues to be a widely distributed effort for low-risk, Bronze titles, with 31 libraries making commitments to archive approximately 1,073 titles (795 journal families) in place across the region. Bronze titles are characterized by the existence of trusted digital, full-text copies (Portico, CLOCKSS, and JSTOR). By virtue of the existence of trusted digital copies, physical validation is not required for Bronze titles (although some archivers may choose to validate Bronze materials on a voluntary basis).

WEST's six Archive Builders have committed to a wide spread of higher risk titles in the Silver and Gold categories. Over the next two years, Builders will physically validate and consolidate approximately 1,242 Silver titles (687 journal families) and 1,633 Gold titles (1,088 journal families).

Disclosure for the first year of archiving work will take place in spring of 2019.



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### **WEST Highlights**

#### **Collections**

- Over 26,000 journals archived
- Estimated that over 650,000 volumes have been archived
- ~23% are print only journals

#### **Community**

- 68 Members
- >40 Archivers who retain titles on behalf of all members
- 6 Archive Builders who actively create archives of higher-risk titles including: physical validation, consolidation of holdings from other members, and storage in high density facilities

#### **WEST and the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance**

WEST continues alongside FLARE, Scholars Trust, BTAA, and EAST as a committed partner in the efforts of the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance

#### **Membership, Oversight, and Administration**

- In 2019, WEST welcomes a new member – CSU Bakersfield!
- WEST is governed by an Executive Committee that oversees its operation and development. WEST's Operations and Collections Council oversees issues related to holdings disclosure, access/delivery, and the process to review and prioritize sets of titles for inclusion in the WEST archive. In 2019, WEST Members elected one new representative to the WEST Executive Committee and renewed the terms of three members. Six new members were also appointed in 2019 to the Operations and Collections Council. Full rosters and terms are available [here](#).

#### **WEST Members Meeting ALA Midwinter, 2019, Seattle**

Sunday, January 27th, 2019, from 1:00-2:30pm (PT) in the Hyatt Regency, 403 Cispus (808 Howell Street, Seattle, WA 98101)

*\*WEST Member Meetings are open and anyone interested in learning more about shared print and WEST are welcome to attend.*

#### **Agenda details:**

- Welcome and introductions
- Overview of Priorities in 2019 for WEST – Executive Committee chair, Michael Levine-Clark (Dean, University of Denver Libraries)
- Program Updates – Program Manager, Alison Wohlers
- Panel Discussion: WEST's Archive Builders
  - Panelists:
    - Cathy Martyniak, Director, UC Southern Regional Library Facility
    - Joel Smalley, Project Coordinator for WEST, Arizona State University



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- Soobum Kim, WEST Coordinator and Serials Holdings Librarian, Stanford University
- Mira Greene, Head of Cataloging & Metadata Services, Rice University
- Erika Dickey, Head of Inventory Records Management, University of Kansas

*WEST's six Archive Builders handle high-risk titles from the Silver and Gold title categories. Builders physically validate the holdings of these titles and proactively seek to consolidate a complete set of related titles by requesting contributions from WEST member libraries. Please join us to learn more about WEST's Archive Builders, Silver and Gold archives, and the work that goes into making WEST archives robust and complete.*