



SCELC Shared Print Program
Update

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Initiatives

Much of SCELC's efforts in the later half of 2023 were dedicated to our two DEI-focused initiatives. The first, supported by a SCELC grant, funded five SCELC member Minority-Serving Institutions (MSIs) to become Shared Print participants. While participants were recruited in FY22, most of the institutions needed some time to gather their institutional teams to go through the process of participating: exporting records to load into GreenGlass, making retention decisions, etc. In recent months several institutions made significant progress, reinforcing the principle that in Shared Print Programs, each institution has specific local needs, and the program must adapt itself to the new members, meeting and supporting them where they are.

The second initiative is our collaboration with EAST on the IMLS Planning Grant "Expanding Diversity and Inclusivity in the Collective Collection of Shared Print." SCELC is very pleased to have successfully recruited three Hispanic Serving Institutions (HSIs): Notre Dame de Namur University, Our Lady of the Lake University, and Texas Wesleyan University. All three institutions are eager to move forward quickly, which is good news considering the accelerated timeline necessitated by the grant. The first half of 2024 will be dedicated to fully onboarding these institutions as EAST simultaneously works with the HBCU institutions also participating under the grant.

SCELC's partnership with Auto-Graphics continued in our work on the [SHARP Union Catalog of Retention Commitments](#). Our recent efforts focused on enabling integration between SHARP and resource sharing systems, including ILLiad, Rapido, Tipasa, and WorldshareILL, as well as connections with the range of member Library Management Systems. Additionally, we are working on a workflow to enable requests to borrow physical books listed in SHARP to be offered a link for time-limited use of the digitized copy of the same book in the Internet Archive's Open Library collection.

Program Activities and Enhancements

SCELC is engaged in a number of internal initiatives to update and improve our program, many stemming from recent challenges we've faced or recent developments in the shared print landscape.

One example is a working group we have created dedicated to transferring commitments. The closure of program participant Holy Names University led to a scramble to preserve as many retention commitments as possible. While we were gratified by the many SCELC institutions that immediately stepped up to take over retention commitments, this situation demonstrated the need for policies in place in the unfortunate event that we ever again have a participant no longer able to maintain previous retention commitments.

SCELC also has a working group studying revisions to our long-standing retention model. As our program has grown, our standard model no longer identifies a similar percentage of the collection for new members in line with earlier participants. This team is working to try to ensure equity in the process while maintaining our focus on protecting scarcely held books as well as widely held titles eligible for withdrawal at non-retaining institutions.

Activities Beyond SCELC

SCELC remains actively involved in shared print topics with the North American shared print community.

- Partnership for Shared Book Collections
 - Teri Oaks Gallaway, Executive Director, is a member of the Executive Committee.
 - Linda Wobbe, staff liaison to the SCELC Shared Print Committee, is a member of the Partnership's Infrastructure Working Group and chairs its Resource Sharing Task Force.
 - Glenn Johnson-Grau, in his role as a SCELC Shared Print consultant, serves on the Best Practices Working Group.
 - Tracy Gilmore, CSU Long Beach, serves on the Infrastructure Working Group and both its Resource Sharing and Discovery & Access Task Forces, as well as on the Communications and Advocacy Joint Standing Committee with the Rosemont Alliance.
 - Rebecca Lubas, Dean at CSU San Bernardino, serves on the Value of Shared Print Task Force and the Communications and Advocacy Joint Standing Committee with the Rosemont Alliance.
 - John de La Fontaine, SCELC Resource Sharing consultant, is a member of the Resource Sharing Task Force of the Research and Network Level Working Group of the Partnership.
 - Laura Krier, Sonoma State University, serves on the Infrastructure Working Group.
 - Wen-ying Lu, Santa Clara University, serves on the joint Partnership/Rosemont committee on Multipart Monographs.

- Emily Croft, University of Redlands, is a member of the Discovery & Access Taskforce.
- Dana Victoria Lema, University of Arizona, is on the Discovery & Access Taskforce.
- Veronika (Nika) Worth, Shared Collections Librarian at the Graduate Theological Union, is the Program Coordinator for the Partnership.
- WEST
 - Executive Committee:
 - Kathleen Salomon, Getty Research Institute
 - John Wenzler, CSU East Bay
 - Michael Brewer, University of Arizona
 - Operations and Collections Council:
 - Wil Weston, San Diego State University