EAST UPDATE

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60 institutions in 11 states from Maine to Florida

Over 9 million monographs retained

32 EAST Serial & Journal Retention Partners
Topics And Lessons Learned

Monographs and Serials Update

Along the way we’ll talk about
• Communication
• Addressing Staff Turnover
• Engaging Working Groups
• Gauging burnout
Monographs project maturing, and with that there are communication issues.

Reallocations (4,700)
Lack of integration into workflows
Frustration with registration service, especially WMS
Yearly Updating of contact info
Onboarding Documentation
Onboarding New Staff at EAST Member Institutions

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During the summer and fall of 2018, the Operations Committee and the EAST Project Team developed four sets of documentation about EAST for member institutions to utilize with new staff. These materials, roughly aligned with four functional areas of library management, are meant to provide general information about EAST, as well as specific information about membership and impact for each of these areas: Administration, Collection Management, Inter-Library Loan, and Technical Services. To provide feedback about these documents, please contact any member of the Project Team.

For Administrators

For Collection Managers

For ILL Librarians

For Tech Services Librarians
Member Meeting Feedback
How much should our program take on?

OCLC Number: 371050
EAST Retentions: 3
Retained by: Adelphi University, Bridgewater, Mount Holyoke College
Digital Surrogates: Hathi In Copyright, Internet Archive

Available on the EAST website - https://eastlibraries.org
Documenting the Stewardship of Libraries: The Eastern Academic Scholars’ Trust Validation Sample Studies

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Abstract
The Eastern Academic Scholars’ Trust (EAST), a regional shared print collaboration of sixty academic and research libraries, conducted validation studies of the collective monograph collection in 2016 and 2017. Methodology, results and limitations of the studies are presented along with thoughts on further research areas.

Recommended Citation
Available at: https://digitalcommons.du.edu/collaborativelibrarianship/vol10/iss3/4
Guidance on Serials Validation

What does Issue or Volume level validation mean?
Loosely based on WEST guidelines but neither as detailed nor stringent.

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Phase 2 of S&J Project 2018-2019

- Group of 32 libraries - original 21 libraries & a second cohort of 11 EAST members
- Contracted again with CRL & using Tableau for visualizing the collection comparison data
- Our initial focus was on bringing our Cohort 2 libraries up to speed with making commitments to their “medium rare” titles, before we considered more widely & scarcely held titles held across both cohorts.
EAST Serial & Journal Retention Partners

- Amherst College
- Bard College
- Boston College
- Boston University
- Brandeis University
- Connecticut College
- DeSales University
- Elms College
- Fairfield University
- Five Colleges, Incorporated
- Hamilton College
- Hofstra University
- Lafayette College
- Loyola Notre Dame
- MBLWHOI
- Mount Holyoke College
- New York University
- Siena College
- Smith College
- Syracuse University
- Swarthmore College
- Trinity College
- Tufts University
- Union College
- University of Massachusetts Amherst
- UMass Medical Library
- University of the South
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Rochester
- Vassar College
- U.S. Coast Guard Academy
- Williams College
C2 “Medium Rare” Titles Retention Model

End of October, these retention rules for Cohort 2’s “medium rare” titles were approved by Voting Members & the Executive Committee:

- Retain up to 3 holdings of titles held by 4-6 EAST Serial & Journal Retention Partners
- Only Cohort 2 libraries will be allocated retention responsibility
- Titles with an existing EAST commitment from Phase 1 won’t be allocated for retention
- **Titles with an existing commitment at a Rosemont member library won’t be allocated for retention**
- Libraries with the most complete runs of retained titles will be allocated the retention commitments

Approximately **4,000** titles met this criteria & libraries currently reviewing their retention proposals
“Widely-Held” Titles Retention Model

In December, these retention rules for “widely-held” titles were approved by Voting Members & the Executive Committee:

- Retain 3 holdings of titles held by 7-28 EAST Serial & Journal Retention Partners
- Both cohort Cohorts 1 & 2 libraries will be allocated retention responsibility
- Titles with an existing EAST commitment from Phase 1 won’t be allocated for retention
- Titles with an existing commitment at a Rosemont member library won’t be allocated for retention
- Libraries with the most complete runs of retained titles will be allocated the retention commitments

Approximately 700 titles met this criteria. Expect to distribute retention proposals in February
Current Retention Numbers

EAST libraries have collectively agreed to retain approximately 11,000 serial & journals titles!
Retention Agreements Are Just the Starting Point

• Libraries invest a lot of time in reviewing retention proposals inc. validation of title holdings & checking and updating catalog data w/retention commitment information
• Further data reviews as CRL identified out of scope material & data anomalies to be addressed before commitments loaded to PAPR
• Need more guidance, the EAST FAQ has been updated
• Long-term commitment to retaining titles in their collections

**Result - retention fatigue** -- “cure” giving libraries more control over which titles to commit (volunteer model)?
Corpus of Scarcely-Held Titles

Scarcely Held
* Held by 1-3 Libraries (both cohorts)
* Not Retained by Cohort 1
* Not in Rosemont

77,352 Title Sets
94,921 Title Holdings
Overview of Scarcely-Held Titles

Majority of the titles are in English & 55% are held by only one EAST library
Breakdown of the scarce titles by LC Class
Majority of these titles are also scarce in OCLC WorldCat
Investigating Retention Scenarios for Scarcely-Held Titles

Serials & Journals Working Group discussions so far indicate unlikely to be one universal retention model. Instead different options:

• Libraries with relatively small numbers of titles volunteer commitment without the need for further filtering
• Volunteer commitments to titles in specific LC subjects where there are local strengths
• Use Tableau filters to identify a subset of titles willing to make commitments to looking at factors like OCLC Holdings, subjects, language & commitments from other shared print programs
EAST Summit - up next

• EAST sponsored Summit 2 - December 5/6 in Boston
• Attended by 33 representatives of U.S. and Canadian monograph shared print, as well as thought leaders in shared print and print preservation
• Follow up to the April, 2018 Summit
• EAST will continue to support effort with representatives on working groups and logistical support, inc. for a follow up meeting at ALA Annual 2019, stay tuned for more info
Thank you.

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