



## CRL Print Archive Network (PAN) Update ALA Annual 2017

### Introduction

The Center for Research Libraries (CRL) is an international consortium of research libraries that supports research and teaching in the humanities, sciences and social sciences. CRL's focus on print archiving activities is motivated by our member libraries' charge to build and maintain shared collections—both current and archival. In addition to serving as a trusted repository of print collections in its own right, CRL also works on behalf of our member libraries, who invest heavily in local print resources, to gather and analyze data to inform those activities and to share expertise and best practices.

### Meetings

#### PAN Meetings

The Print Archive Network (PAN) Forum before ALA Midwinter in Atlanta took place on Friday, January 20, 2017. The topic for ALA Midwinter was: *Sustaining Archived Collections*. There were approximately 78 attendees. The current count of listserv subscribers is 411 people. 24 new members have been added to the PAN Listserv since January 2017. An archive of past PAN meetings, including presentations and program updates, is available on the CRL [website](#).

#### Expanding the Shared Collections Network, A CRL Forum at ALA

CRL will hold a June Forum at ALA Annual on Friday, June 23, 2017. The forum will explore CRL's role in the current shared print landscape, and will go into greater depth on CRL's effort to define the scope of "critical corpus" of serial literature worthy of preservation (see more below). The forum will be an opportunity for representatives of CRL libraries to contemplate CRL's print and digital agenda and to weigh in on the appropriate scope and benefits of CRL's work in these areas. For more information, please see <https://www.crl.edu/events/expanding-shared-collections-network-crl-forum-ala>.

### Current Projects

#### PAPR

The [Print Archives and Preservation Registry \(PAPR\)](#) is designed to support archiving and management of serials collections by providing comprehensive information about titles, holdings, and the terms and conditions of archiving of the major print archiving and shared print programs. PAPR includes

- A searchable directory of print archiving programs and facilities housing archived print content.
- Display of title and holdings information from contributing print archiving programs.
- Downloadable reports of titles and holdings for participating print archiving programs.

- [Statistics](#) about PAPR holdings.
- A [dashboard](#) with news and data of relevance to the print archive community.

PAPR presently contains information on approximately 165,588 unique titles held in 131 archiving institutions. Sixteen archiving programs report their holdings in PAPR; ten are journal-only archives, and six are archives with mixed content. Approximately 46% of all PAPR records are held by the combined collections of the Center for Research Libraries and Linda Hall Library.

During the reporting period, CRL received and is completing the processing of records from Scholars Trust for PAPR. CRL completed validation work on the records and reported the results to Scholars Trust. At this time approximately 23,500 records have been loaded to PAPR. Invalid records are reported to the members, who then have an opportunity to correct and replace records. Once the Scholar's Trust members complete their work, validated records will be loaded into PAPR. The Scholars Trust libraries have shown a strong commitment to improving the quality of their records.

### [Critical Corpus of Print Serials – Planning Phase](#)

CRL has completed a six month planning grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to develop and cost out a methodology and strategy to identify the universe of journal literature published in print form that is important to academic research in the humanities and social sciences, and thus critical for preservation. CRL's effort sought to extract, validate, normalize and classify records from multiple institutions to test the feasibility of producing a comprehensive, defensible list of humanities and social science journals against which to plan and measure the strategic print preservation efforts of North American libraries. CRL harvested and analyzed available data about serial titles held by four major research libraries— Cornell University, Columbia University, New York Public Library and Princeton University— combined with serial holdings information from CRL, Linda Hall, and additional libraries collected and refined by CRL through its collection analysis activities. CRL will use the “critical corpus” effort as the basis for deciding the scope, priorities and timetable of its shared print investment. CRL will report preliminary findings at the CRL Forum at ALA Annual in June 2017.

### [JSTOR Print Archive](#)

As of June 13, 2017 CRL had archived 91,945 volumes of the JSTOR print volumes. This is approximately 67% of CRL's target within the JSTOR archival serials collections. CRL continues to build the journal archive, working with regular donations from CRL members including the University of Pennsylvania, Dartmouth, Harvard University, Grinnell College, University of Wisconsin, The College of Wooster, University of Arizona and other CRL member libraries throughout the U.S and Canada.

### [Linda Hall Library Print Archive Donations](#)

The Linda Hall Library of Science, Engineering and Technology (LHL) routinely accepts selective print copies of scientific journals donated from institutions. Through CRL's [partnership with Linda Hall](#), CRL libraries divesting of print

serials in the fields of science, technology, and engineering are encouraged to offer collections to LHL to extend runs or augment their collection (which then become available to all CRL libraries). CRL can assist member institutions in comparing their collections to the joint holdings of CRL and Linda Hall. For more information about donating to Linda Hall Library, please contact Marie Waltz at [mwaltz@crl.edu](mailto:mwaltz@crl.edu).

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- Mathew Revitt for his contributions in moderating and suggesting topics and speakers for the PAN meeting.
- The many participants and attendees of CRL print archive related meetings.