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.

Highlights for July 2020-January 2021
- CRL joined the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance and Partnership for Shared Book Collections.
- JSTOR’s electronic holdings have been added to PAPR

Meetings
PAN Meeting
The Print Archive Network (PAN) Forum met online on Friday, June 26, 2020. The meeting included updates on Collaborative Initiatives for Shared Print, the Canadian Collective Print Strategy Working Group, the CRL & OCLC Mellon Project and the Shared Print Infrastructure Project. Two panel presentations were also held. The first panel, moderated by Alison Wohlers, discussed the future of JSTOR print collections. The second, hosted by Lorrie McAllister discussed digital availability during the Pandemic. There were approximately 146 attendees at the June 2020 meeting. An archive of past PAN meetings, including presentations and program updates, is available on the CRL website.

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 for 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.
Since June 2020 CRL has updated records for seven programs in PAPR; COPPUL SPAN, CRL JSTOR EAST, HaithiTrust digital, Harvard JSTOR, Scholars Trust, WEST. PAPR now includes 367,180 unique titles and 548,624 total holdings, an increase in holdings of 59% from June 2020. The PAPR ingest of electronic holdings now includes HathiTrust digital serials in addition to, JSTOR’s electronic holdings, CLOCKSS and Portico.

Over 247,000 HathiTrust records have been loaded and an additional 200,000 are in the queue to be loaded.

CDL, CRL & HathiTrust Collaboration

CRL is working closely with CDL and HathiTrust to improve the infrastructure supporting shared print. Since June 2020, the Collaboration has worked together to develop a collection comparison tool that enables libraries to compare their serial holdings against the print and electronic holdings registered in PAPR. More information about the Collaboration and its activities can be found at https://www.cchcollab.org/

Synchronizing Retention Commitments between OCLC’s WorldCat and the PAPR database

In October 2020, CRL hired a coordinator, Gabriella Cigarroa, to synchronize retention commitments between PAPR and WorldCat. The synchronization uses the process developed with funding from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. CRL has processed files for twenty-one EAST members and is working closely with OCLC staff to ensure they will be loaded soon.

JSTOR Print Archive

As of January 20, 2020 CRL has archived 84,647 volumes of the JSTOR print volumes. This is approximately 70% of CRL’s target collections within the JSTOR archival serials collections. Due to the pandemic CRL is not receiving new donations for the JSTOR collection at this time. CRL will continue to build the journal archive, working with regular deposits from CRL members when donor libraries are able to begin sending donations.

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- The many participants and attendees of CRL print archive related meetings.