Goal

The primary goals of the HathiTrust Shared Print Program are to ensure preservation of print and digital collections by linking the two, to reduce overall costs of collection management for HathiTrust members, and to catalyze national/continental collective management of collections. Key attributes of the program are:

- Secure retention commitments for print holdings that mirror book titles in the HathiTrust digital collection
- Maintain a lendable print collection distributed among HathiTrust member collections
- Reflect support by and provide benefits to all HathiTrust members
- Build on existing shared print and resource-sharing arrangements and avoid disturbing members’ other affiliations.

Status

To date, 77 HathiTrust member libraries have committed to retain almost 18 million monographs volumes to be retained for 25 years under the HathiTrust Shared Print Program’s Phase 1 and 2. These volumes represent more than 5.4 million individual titles held in the HathiTrust Digital Library (about 76% of all HathiTrust digital monographs), which is a significant step toward a primary goal of the program: to steward print copies of all HathiTrust digital holdings.

Other Developments

Since ALA Midwinter, HathiTrust’s Shared Print Program:

- Has three new retention libraries - Monash University, University of Sydney, and the University of Kentucky. We are still working with them on finalizing commitments.
- Conducted a robust assessment process through a retention library survey and stakeholder discussions. This was the first shared print assessment HathiTrust has undertaken since the launch of the program in June 2017 and we plan to finalize our report early this year.

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• Worked with retention libraries to register the majority of our commitments in OCLC’s Shared Print Registration Service. We are still working with a few members and others have opted to register themselves.
• Partnered with the California Digital Library and the Center for Research Libraries on a collaboration for shared print infrastructure which will launch our Collection Comparison Tool shortly.
• Launched a Process for Reallocating Lost or Missing Commitments.
• Actively participating in the Partnership for Shared Book Collections. Heather Weltin is currently a member of the Operations Committee and co-convenor of the Best Practices Working Group.

To find out more about our program, please visit our website or contact Heather Weltin, HathiTrust’s Shared Print Program officer.