



SCELC Shared Print Program
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SCELC continues to expand its shared print partnership under OCLC's flexible participation model, with one new member in a cohort 2.1 and six campuses of the California State University System (CSUs) this spring or summer joining the 26 members of cohorts one (C1) and two (C2) in California and Texas. The CSU campuses are: CSU Channel Islands; CSU East Bay; CSU Fullerton; CSU Long Beach; and CSU Monterey Bay. C1 and C2 have thus far collectively retained 1,659,542 volumes from a total of 3,771,568 title sets and 6,520,240 title holdings.

Six of the 14 members of C1 have registered retention commitments in WorldCat, with one member waiting to finish a major weeding project before registering theirs. C2 participants are trained and ready to register their commitments this summer, and the remaining C1 libraries will be joining them. An OCLC staff member will be assigned to assist libraries with registration. The 12 libraries in C2 have made their commitments in GreenGlass and have been trained on using GreenGlass for local collection development decisions and making MARC 583 retention notes in their catalog. Two libraries in C2, Trinity and Abilene Christian, volunteered commitments in addition to their allocated commitments. C2 should complete their work for the program by the end of the summer with registration of commitments in WorldCat.

OCLC is creating and should have finished by the end of June a shared GreenGlass instance for C1 and C2 so that holdings of both cohorts can be viewed together. New participants, including C2.1 and CSU's will be included in this merged GreenGlass site. SCELC is also on the way to establishing a repository for all its shared print data pending development of a North American repository by the Partnership for Shared Book Collections (PSBC).

Other highlights of the year include the following:

- The SCELC SPP is the first to add members under OCLC's flexible participation program, which offers substantial benefits as a way of growing participation among libraries.
- The Shared Print Committee worked with one member this year as they downsized their print collection, including committed volumes; this situation has challenged committee members to make decisions under provisions of the MOU that at once enable the member

to continue their vital participation while helping protect SCELC's overall commitments to retained volumes.

- SCELC undertook a staffing survey of other SPPs in order to inform decisions about how to staff its growing program; results are in and will be tabulated during the summer and reported to PAN.
- SCELC sent consultant Bob Kieft and staff members Linda Wobbe to two international shared print meetings in Boston during 2018 and became one of the founding members of the PSBC, the Partnership for Shared Book Collections. Kieft and Wobbe are members of three of the PSBC's working groups, and Burke and Kieft are general advisors to the Partnership.
- The Shared Print Committee is currently shaping an agenda around the following three dimensions as it continues to deploy and advise on the development of shared print services from OCLC, and as staff discuss membership in the SCELC SPP with additional libraries:
 - broaden participation along the west coast, in Texas, and beyond, whether as participants in the SCELC program or through other forms of collaboration, with the following groups: members in Texas and schools they are allied with in state programs; in California, especially with the CSUs and UCs; in the Western United States, especially in the Pacific Northwest; and SCELC affiliates, particularly through SCELC's partnership with Atla libraries, as well as other Affiliates wherever they may be;
 - deepen participation through workflow-based commitments for new publications, additional voluntary commitments, cooperative acquisitions, digitization of scarce titles, commitment to a conservation/preservation policy or overall collection management policy, transferring volumes from libraries that cannot retain them to those that can, and strengthening resource sharing mechanisms;
 - Actively participate in the development of PSBC: funding participation in the Partnership, establish a research/experimentation agenda for SCELC, participate in the Book Traces project based at UVa, create a validation program, analyse shared collection use/movement/change, enhance the interlibrary discovery/browsing experience, and explore a consortially or regionally-based collections plan, including the option of a storage facility.