

SCELC Monograph Shared Print Agreement
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After discussion at its June Board meeting, SCELC is currently recruiting members for the first cohort of its monograph shared print agreement. PAN members will remember that SCELC and Jane Burke of ProQuest had reported at the January meeting about their partnership to create group analytics capacity in Intota Assessment. After considerable discussion of its goals for collection analysis, SCELC has since negotiated a new business arrangement for using SCS collection analysis and related consulting services. The final agreement awaits signatures and recruiting of shared print participant libraries, but SCELC feels that using SCS will lead to a strong understanding of the several contexts in which it might make retention decisions and also lay a sophisticated foundation of data on which to build the shared print partnership and engage other consortia. In order to implement the shared print agreement and explore other possible shared collections strategies, SCELC will be hiring Anya Arnold, formerly of OCLC and Orbis Cascade, as a part-time "program manager" in FY17.

Perhaps most important for SCELC and its members in the longer term are stepped-up efforts to create from current services and the shared print agreement a suite of collection services for members so that shared collections services become an integral feature of SCELC membership. Developing these service offerings is called for in the current strategic plan; possible components are being shaped by Board and member discussion and will most likely involve developing shared ebook collections based on the content of the shared print collection and other content appropriate to member needs.

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