

### Archiving Progress

WEST Archive Holders have committed to retain another 163,000 volumes (3,354 journal families) for Archive Cycles 6 and 7. Validation and archive creation work is underway for higher risk Silver and Gold titles. Disclosures will be recorded in AGUA and WorldCat in late Spring 2017, and in the PAPER Registry shortly thereafter.

### WEST Program Assessment

Last fall, WEST Members participated in a second program assessment. Members provided invaluable feedback about core values and interests for the program. The WEST Executive Committee and Operations Council use member feedback ensure services and strategies continue to align with member's needs.

A full report is available on the WEST Website:

- [WEST Phase 2 Assessment: 2016 WEST Assessment Report](#)

### New Reports and Functions in AGUA

- An [All Archived Titles Report](#) available in AGUA allows members to download a list of all titles archived in WEST
- A forthcoming [On Demand Collection Comparison Report](#) will facilitate local serials review projects and offers to fill gaps; it will allow a user at any WEST library to upload a list of locally held journals and retrieve a matching list of titles archived in WEST



### WEST Highlights

#### Collections

- 515,000 Volumes archived
- ~23,000 Journals archived
- 41% are print only journals

#### Community

- 74 Members
- >40 Archive Holders retain titles on behalf of all members
- 6 Archive Builders actively create archives of print only backfiles in storage facilities; skilled project coordinators

#### Opportunity to Optimize Space

- 350,000 Assignable square feet occupied by duplicates; the equivalent of 3-4 ARL libraries

#### Tools and Services

- Connect staff across institutions to facilitate archive creation and gap filling
- AGUA decision-support system provides self-serve collection comparison reports, group collections analysis, retention proposals, and commitments reports for Archive Holders



**WEST Program Update**  
**PAN Forum, ALA Midwinter 2017**  
<http://www.cdlib.org/services/west/>

### **Exploring opportunities**

WEST continues to explore opportunities for enhancing the journal archiving program including:

- Digitization of print only backfiles to provide better access to print journal literature.
- Broader collaboration with other print journal archiving programs. The Rosemont/Thinking Bigger group including Big Ten Academic Alliance, Florida Academic Libraries Repository (FLARE), ScholarsTrust and WEST have recently endorsed a set of strategies collaboration including 5 year milestones for collection growth (new titles, additional copies) for high overlap titles and development of a last copy agreement for scarcely held titles. More information will be available at ALA Midwinter.

### **Membership, Oversight and Administration**

- Libraries in the region may contact the WEST Executive Committee about membership and joining WEST.
- A description of full and supporting member types, member fees, and a full [list of members](#) is available on our website.
- WEST Members elected new representatives to the WEST Executive Committee for 2017. New members of the WEST Executive Committee take office this month (January).

### **WEST bids farewell to WEST Collections Analyst, Danielle Westbrook!**

With tremendous pride and some sadness, WEST wishes Danielle Westbrook farewell. Danielle has served as WEST's Collections Analyst for several years and has truly raised the bar on group analytics, data visualization and member engagement. While Danielle is leaving WEST and UC Shared Print programs, she will remain at the California Digital Library. She will assume another role in CDL as UC Systemwide Library Planning Analyst. Danielle will be working with Günter Waibel, AVP and Executive Director of the California Digital Library, on strategic initiatives among UC Libraries. Shared print has certainly become a new proving ground for our next generation of library leaders!

CDL will begin recruitment for her replacement shortly. Please stay tuned for that announcement.

***Prospective candidates attending ALA Midwinter may text Emily Stambaugh (951) 660-5392 to meet informally Friday evening at the Sheraton Atlanta Hotel Lobby.***

### **WEST Members Meeting ALA Midwinter 2017, Atlanta Saturday, January 21, 2017 from 4-5 pm at the GWCC-B309**

Agenda: WEST program update, review archiving progress, review key findings from the WEST Program Assessment conducted last fall. Update on current initiatives and explorations, including the Rosemont/Thinking Bigger effort.