

**Persistence Implementation Task Force**  
**February 26, 2009**

**Background:**

The UC Persistence Policy was approved in January 2007. Since that time a number of questions have emerged regarding the need for procedures governing the replacement process for items that have been identified by RLF staff as lost, damaged or deteriorated since that date.

The UC Berkeley Implementation of RLF Policy on Persistence Working Group produced a report ([http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Staff/CDP/persistence\\_final\\_report.pdf](http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Staff/CDP/persistence_final_report.pdf)) that identified a number of issues that would benefit from a systemwide review and discussion.

**Charge:**

The Task Force is asked to develop guidelines governing replacement and preservation treatment of items designated as persistent that have either been lost or damaged/ deteriorated to the point that they cannot be circulated. Specifically, the Task Force should:

1. Conduct an environmental scan to understand the scope of the issue across the two RLFs.
2. Recommend a consistent set of definitions of what constitutes the required "good faith effort"
3. to replace such items by an individual campus.
4. Identify under what specific conditions an exact replacement is not required. (e.g., copy in
5. Google, duplicate in sister RLF, microfilm equivalent available, replacement copy not found)
6. Recommend what intercampus processes should be established to facilitate replacement of
7. persistent items by copies at the campuses. (e.g., referral by selector to selector, CDO to
8. CDO)
9. Determine whether there are any fund flow issues that need to be addressed in order to
10. support the Persistence Policy. (patron fines, etc.)
11. Recommend an approach to tracking and recording the status of items that have gone lost,
12. been damaged or deteriorated. (withdrawal, Marc 583, etc.)

**Timeline:**

July 2009: Status report to CDC

October 2009: Final report due to CDC

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**References:**

Persistence Policy Documentation:

[http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/sopag/RLF\\_Persistence/](http://libraries.universityofcalifornia.edu/sopag/RLF_Persistence/)

Berkeley Working Group Report

[http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Staff/CDP/persistence\\_final\\_report.pdf](http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/Staff/CDP/persistence_final_report.pdf)