Investigating a systemwide ILS:
CoUL principles and shared assumptions

1. We reaffirm the value of 1 UC Library Collection: the UC Library Collection is an integrated, shareable user-centric collection that supports and enhances the mission of the University of California and whose strength is derived from the diverse nature of the individual campus library collections.

2. We recognize the technical unsustainability and inherent risks of our present patchwork of library systems as highlighted in the Future of Resource Sharing (April 21, 2017) and Shared Regional Library Facility ILS (June 12, 2017) reports.

3. We desire a transformative level of integration and/or centralization of library business processes and workflows, at both the local and systemwide level, in core functional areas of library services such as circulation, the management of print, media, and electronic collections, and resource sharing.

4. We recognize that movement to a next-generation systemwide ILS is fundamental to continued and future collaborations involving the development and management of UC library collections and collections-based operations and services.

5. We see the critical dimensions of this ILS project as not just technical and financial, but also policy harmonization and building and supporting a staff work culture that sustains systemwide efforts.

6. We acknowledge that local campus ILS transitions may need to happen while we explore a systemwide ILS and those do not negate our collective commitment to a shared system.

7. We recognize that a systemwide ILS will require significant one-time implementation funding. We assume, and will confirm, that the ongoing operation and maintenance of a systemwide ILS will cost no more than what the campuses and CDL currently devote to our independent library systems.

8. We commit to transparent and open communications across the system as we move forward with the investigation.