

# UC Collection Strategies

## 2017/2018 SCLG Plans & Priorities for 2017/2018 Based on the University of California Library Collection: Content for the 21st Century and Beyond

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As envisioned in the 2009 document *The University of California Library Collection: Content for the 21st Century and Beyond*, the University of California Library Collection comprises content in a variety of formats and available to all UC faculty, staff, and students whenever feasible. All content, whether purchased, licensed, gifted, or freely available, supports and enhances the mission of the University of California. Collections and content are envisioned as services enabled by a network level of discovery and appropriate curation<sup>1</sup>.

The library and archival collections of the University of California (UC) serve as the fundamental building blocks for the University's teaching, research, patient care, and public services. Taken together, UC Library Collections comprise the largest academic library in the world and contribute significantly to the world's record of scholarship and its cultural and historical record.

### Vision

Develop, adapt, manage, leverage, and position the diverse content of the UC collections as a shared resource in the increasingly dynamic ecosystem of scholarly communications.

### Strategic Goals

1. Ensure that the UC Library Collection embraces new content types and formats produced at all stages of the information and scholarly record life cycle, including research data and archived web content.
  - a. 2017/18 -- Develop web archiving strategy, including active participation in the CobWeb project.
  - b. 2017/18 -- Define data as collections & collections as data.

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<sup>1</sup> Lorcan Dempsey discusses the concept of "collections as services" operating at the network level of discovery in a Weblog post titled *The Facilitated Collection* <http://orweblog.oclc.org/towards-the-facilitated-collection/>

- c. 2017/18 -- Define, identify, and pilot intentional digitization strategies in book and non-book formats, including participation in and assessment of CDL digitization pilots.
  2. Facilitate access to content that is not locally managed.
  3. Develop sustainable collection development and management strategies to ensure the richest possible collections within existing resource constraints.
    - a. 2017/18 -- Phase in implementation of FTE cost share model for systemwide content. Review the collective Tier 1 and Tier 2 spending, and begin strategic cuts to total expenditures.
    - b. 2017/18 -- Microform to digital: Implement UC Microforms Task Force report recommendations<sup>2</sup>
    - c. 2017/18 -- Working with the Shared Print Strategy Team, plan for updating the Shared Print Roadmap in 2018.
  4. Engage in regional, national, and international partnerships to facilitate broad access to and effective stewardship of research resources across the globe.
    - a. 2017/18 -- Integrate HathiTrust Shared Print and US Federal Documents Archive projects
  5. Curate and preserve the scholarly output of the University of California.
    - a. 2017/18 -- Assess deposit and access status of UC ETD ongoing contributions and backfiles in Merritt and eScholarship.
  6. Support transformative, sustainable publishing models that facilitate unfettered dissemination and use of scholarly resources and help UC address the economic challenges associated with the commercial control of the scholarly record.
    - a. 2017/18 -- Participate in Offsetting Task Force
    - b. 2017/18 -- Support STAR Team work in transforming collection investments
    - c. 2017/18 -- Discuss collective strategy for shared investments in scholarly transformation
  7. Foster development of infrastructure and services to support computational analysis of collections as data.
    - a. 2017/18 -- Promote researcher opportunities to participate in HathiTrust Research Center
    - b. 2017/18 -- Increase the number of text and data mining clauses in license agreements
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<sup>2</sup> [UC Shared Microform Collections Review: Final Report](#), July 2017.