Current Strategic Initiative: HathiTrust Shared Print partnership

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1. How we got to where we are (brief history)
HathiTrust is a strategic community of collaboration housing growing digital monograph and serial collections created by scanning materials held by member libraries. OSU is a founding member of HathiTrust through the BTAA. We have contributed more than 200,000 scanned volumes to the nearly 17 million digital volumes held by HathiTrust and continue to submit scans created locally and through the Google Scan Partnership.

In 2017 HathiTrust launched its Shared Print Program (https://www.hathitrust.org/shared_print_program) to secure retention commitments for print holdings that mirror monograph titles in the HathiTrust digital collection and maintain a lendable print collection distributed among HathiTrust member collections.

In Phase 1, a total of 923,913 bibliographic (bib) records in OSU's holdings matched the digitized monographs corpus in HathiTrust; of those, 917,152 total items actually received a retention commitment. For Phase 2, a total of 68,900 bib records in OSU's holdings matched the HathiTrust digitized monograph corpus that *did not* receive retention commitments during Phase 1.

For retention commitments, these must be single print monographs that circulate, and are owned by OSUL (excluding HSL, Law, and regionals).

2. Where we are now
Phase 1 of the project was completed in September 2018. Phase 2 is underway – we have received the matched bib records, but still have to conduct our analysis to ensure the matches meet the retention requirements.

Retention commitments make public to other libraries and our users our commitment to steward these print volumes in our collections. They are a demonstration of our commitment to our mission. They are available as a reliable research asset to our campus and to others in the state. Other libraries in the state can use them for decision-making.

Within the HathiTrust collaborative community, our participation ensures access to the resources committed by other HathiTrust members. This is likely to become increasingly valuable to OSU users as time passes.

3. Is the project/initiative succeeding in meeting its intended objectives? How is success being measured against strategic priorities (measures of success)?
Yes, the initiative is successful.

HathiTrust member libraries have committed to retain **more than 16 million monograph volumes** to be retained for 25 years under the HathiTrust Shared Print Program. These volumes represent more than

4.8 million individual titles held in the HathiTrust Digital Library (about 65% of all HathiTrust digital monographs). These print titles function as a collective collection that is lendable and backed up by digital copies.

4. Were the resources allocated for the project/initiative adequate? If not, why?
Yes the resources are adequate. The main resources for this project are staff time. Phase 1 required meetings from key stakeholders in Content & Access and IT, initial analysis of record matches by Michelle Henley and Gene Springs, with the bulk of the work of recording retention commitments completed by Rocki Strader in Bibliographic Initiatives (creating the notes in item records, and problem-solving at the bib and item record levels). Phase 2 should be more efficient with significantly fewer total bib records.

We are reaching a point where we would like to promote marketing/communication about this important stewardship initiative and collective resource. This will require resources that have not yet been called on.

5. Are there successes/highlights to share?
Phase 1 Top Ten Retention Proposals

Library	Volumes
University of Michigan	2,500,000
University of California Regional Library Facilities	1,600,000
University of Illinois	1,500,000
Columbia University	1,000,000
Ohio State University	*924,000*
University of Alberta	825,000
Harvard University	770,000
University of Wisconsin	754,000
McGill University	733,000
Princeton University	707,000

6. Is the project/initiative encountering any barriers to success? If so, what?
No. Some collection and catalog maintenance workflows have already and will need to continue to be modified to account for stewardship of the retained materials, but these can be folded into current maintenance work.

7. Is the project/initiative on time? Have you had to alter timelines? If so, why?
Phase 1 was completed in the expected time frame projected by HathiTrust. Phase 2 is currently operating under a similar timeline; OSUL retention commitments are due to HathiTrust by 2/28/2019. The project has been extremely successful in meeting or exceeding its objectives so far.

8. Should the Libraries continue investments in this project/initiative? Why or why not?
Yes. This initiative aligns with mission-centric work of preserving last copies of monographs in the OSUL collection. The Hathi print monograph retention project prioritizes access to these monographs, which aligns with our strategic directions.