The Rosemont Shared Print Alliance is a collaboration of regional shared print journal programs that coordinate their efforts on a larger scale to ensure the retention of and access to print journal backfiles. Current participants include the Big Ten Academic Alliance, the Eastern Academic Scholars’ Trust, the Florida Academic Repository, Scholars Trust, and the Western Regional Storage Trust.

**News**

You can now download a complete list of Rosemont Alliance retention commitments. Please see the [Rosemont Alliance description page](#) in the Print Archives Preservation Registry to view and download the title list.

**Quick Facts and Figures**

When the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance was formed in 2015, the participating shared print programs had retention commitments for approximately 45,000 journal titles. The Rosemont Alliance set a goal of adding 100,000 New Titles by 2021. The Alliance defines “New Titles” as the first three journal retention commitments of each unique OCLC number, ISSN, or alternative title-level identifier. Expressed in a different way, a title is considered “New” until the Rosemont Alliance reaches three retention commitments for that title.
Recent Activities

- **Last Copy Initiative**: In early 2020, the Last Copy Initiative Working Group reviewed and recommended data sources and applicable fields for the Last Copy Initiative analysis. We are now gathering the data and piloting an initial schema for identifying in-scope last or unique copies among the Rosemont partners.

- **Last Copy Agreement and Donation/Transfer process**: The Rosemont Alliance Executive Committee approved the Last Copy Agreement and Donation/Transfer process documents in December 2019. The Rosemont Operations Committee is currently considering amendments received from the regional programs during the ratification process. Draft documents are posted to the website.

- **Communications**: Over the past six months, the newly formed Communications Working Group has developed a Rosemont Alliance Overview slide deck to orient new program staff and Executive Committee members as they rotate into new roles, defined a process to provide consistent messaging across the Alliance’s constituent programs and partnered with colleagues in the Partnership for Shared Book Collections to produce a “Value of Shared Print” video to support local efforts to communicate about shared print. The working group will continue to work with counterparts in the Partnership on a communication matrix to outline key audiences and their informational needs.

- **Shared policies**: Rosemont Alliance members continue to work with colleagues in the Partnership for Shared Book Collections to maintain a shared print glossary and foster alignment in emerging best practices for shared print monographs and serials.

- **Collection Growth**: Rosemont has a goal of retaining 100,000 new print journal backfiles by 2021. An analysis of current holdings in each program’s archives reveals that Rosemont has
made excellent progress on this goal, and has retained nearly 89,000 new titles. Since January 2020, EAST has made an additional 7,448 commitments.

- **Decision support service (DSS) tools:** In December 2019, the DSS Working Group presented several possible scenarios for a cross-program analysis or tool to Rosemont’s Executive Committee (EC). The EC recommended pursuing a more widely applicable solution that could support a variety of programs and initiatives (beyond the Rosemont Alliance) on an ongoing basis. From this recommendation and other expressions of need in the shared print community, the California Digital Library, Center for Research Libraries, and HathiTrust have joined together to define a new phase of shared print built on open and interconnected infrastructure based on the needs defined by the Rosemont Alliance, the Partnership, and others in the shared print community. The Rosemont Alliance will continue to be part of this effort to realize shared print infrastructure that is open, interoperable, accessible, and sustainable.

**Upcoming Work**

- Revise, as appropriate, and ratify Last Copy Agreement
- Implementation plan for the Last Copy Initiative
- Shared policies and communication resources together with the Partnership for Shared Book Collections
- Identify storage partners
- Shared print advocacy

*For documentation and additional information, please visit RosemontSharedPrintAlliance.org*