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Background

The incorporation of the broadest possible university library collection into the Systemwide Integrated Library System (SILS) ensures more comprehensive discovery and access for UC users, facilitates the development of campus and systemwide services, and reduces UC's overall software licensing and systems administration costs.

There are a number of affiliated library collections in the University of California (UC) system, such as professional school and subject libraries. Whatever your definition of an "affiliated library collection" (for example, by budget line, reporting structure, or systems architecture), for the purposes of this document we are using the term to refer to any collection that might conceivably be included in the SILS.

To ensure that both the RFP and eventual contract adequately represent the total number of libraries and records migrating to the SILS, the following key issues need to be resolved:
- Confirm that affiliated library collections currently included in campus ILSs will migrate to the SILS.
- Confirm whether affiliated library collections not currently on a campus ILS will migrate to the SILS in the initial cohort and, if so, what their migration needs will be. (*We anticipate that there will be a mechanism in the vendor contract to add affiliated library collections after the implementation is complete, but this opportunity will likely be several years in the future.*)
- Confirm how affiliated library collections will be governed and represented in the SILS.

Recommendations to CoUL

1. Affiliated library collections that are already included in a campus ILS will be included in the SILS, unless they explicitly opt-out. *[Endorsed by CoUL on Sept. 20th, 2018.]*
2. There will be a defined process for affiliated library collections that are not yet included in a campus ILS to be included in the SILS. (See below.) *[Endorsed by CoUL on Sept. 20th, 2018.]*
3. The local campus library will represent affiliated library collections for governance purposes. Campuses will decide how to represent their affiliated libraries' interests and concerns alongside their own. The costs incurred from the inclusion of affiliated libraries will be managed by the campus. *[Endorsed by CoUL on Sept. 20th, 2018.]*
4. CoUL will make decisions about inclusion of UC affiliated library collections that are not associated with a particular campus (e.g. UC Hastings, LLNL), as well as how to manage governance, representation, and costs. *[Endorsed by CoUL on Sept. 20th, 2018.]*
5. For affiliated libraries not associated with a particular UC campus, CoUL will make decisions around adding new SILS participants post-implementation. [*Endorsed by CoUL on October 22nd, 2018.*]

Process

To ensure an accurate accounting of bibliographic records, patrons, locations, etc. for the RFP, University Librarians will inform the SILS Working Group of **any desired changes (opt-outs or new entrants) by February 1, 2019**.