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Announcements

End of MULS as Separate Minitex Program

Cecelia Boone, Minitex/MULS

Changing workflows and budget challenges have led to the decision to phase out the Minitex Union List of Serials (MULS) as a separate Minitex program. Minitex/OCLC libraries that have taken part in MULS should continue to keep their Local Holdings Records (LHRs) up-to-date in OCLC WorldCat because these holdings are used to support OCLC Resource Sharing, WorldCat Local, and other OCLC services.

We have mixed feelings about this announcement. MULS was Minitex's second major program and support for MULS by staff members of Minitex participating libraries has made it a success – an important tool used to help Minitex libraries find potential lenders for serial articles to fill resource sharing requests. Knowing whether a library owns the particular issue that's being requested has always resulted in more efficient and effective use of staff in borrowing and lending libraries. The MULS database has helped make the Minitex Resource Sharing Service very successful and resulted in higher than usual fill rates from the University of Minnesota Libraries, Twin Cities, and other Minitex libraries.



But, we find ourselves in a different world than the 1970s, 1980s, 1990s, or, even, 2000s.

New technological options (e.g., searching directly in libraries' online catalogs and other online tools) mean that Minitex staff and library staff members use sources other than MULS for many of their serial request verification activities. While OCLC Resource Sharing remains important for Minitex libraries (and to the Minitex office for out-of-region requests), the MULS LHRs in OCLC WorldCat no longer play the central role in Minitex operations they once occupied.

Budget pressures (as of this writing, we are not sure what the Minitex budget will be for the next biennium, but we anticipate a reduction from our base appropriations) mean that Minitex can no longer support separate program status for MULS. Like other activities related to OCLC, the primary support will be through OCLC Customer Support.

For information about continued updating of Local Holdings Records in OCLC WorldCat and other topics see:

<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/Holdings/Muls.aspx>

Dave Linton, other MULS staff members, and I have greatly enjoyed working with our MULS contacts and other library staff members over the years. We wish you all well. You may contact me (c-boon@umn.edu, 612-624-6353, 800-462-5348) or Dave (linto001@umn.edu, 612-625-3360, 800-462-5348) with your questions. ■

General

OCLC at ALA Annual

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Below is a list of a few of the OCLC events planned for ALA Annual, June 23-28, New Orleans, LA. To view the full list or to register for any of the events listed below, visit:

<http://z.umn.edu/3nl>

OCLC Americas Regional Council Member Meeting and Symposium

Friday, June 24, 11:00 am – 4:00 pm

Join OCLC for the Americas Regional Council Annual Member Meeting from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm to hear two key task force reports and participate in a Q&A session with members of the OCLC Board and OCLC President and CEO Jay Jordan.

The OCLC Symposium, *The Infinite Collection: Resources in the Digital Age*, follows from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. The explosion of ways in which we are digitally connected impacts every part of our lives. Whether we're researching, building social connections or sharing our own media, the digital realm has extended its influence into nearly every aspect of what we do. What does this do to the boundaries of your library's collection? What does it mean to curate a collection that is becoming, for all intents and purposes, infinite? Join digital experts from the library community for a discussion on successful strategies for dealing with both the volume of resources out there—and the changing nature of content consumption in a world that's increasingly digital. Clifford Lynch, Executive Director of the Coalition for Networked Information, will provide the keynote address.

End-to-End E-Resource Management: How OCLC Makes it Easier

Saturday, June 25, 8:00 – 10:00 am

New OCLC services let you centralize and simplify management of e-resources from selection and purchase to discovery, delivery and ongoing maintenance. Hear how the new, cooperative WorldCat knowledge base

features and data help OCLC members connect users to e-resources in library collections through WorldCat Local, WorldCat Resource Sharing and OCLC's Web-scale Management Services.

Join the Revolution: Library Management at Web Scale

Saturday, June 25, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Find out how moving traditional ILS functions to the Web has positively impacted library services, improved the bottom line, and increased global library visibility and collaboration.

Perceptions of Libraries, 2010

Saturday, June 25, 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

In *Perceptions of Libraries 2010: Context and Community*, OCLC explores how changing contexts impact perceptions and behaviors concerning libraries and information sources. The technological and economic environments are vastly different now than they were in 2005 when OCLC published *Perceptions of Library and Information Resources*. Join George Needham, OCLC Vice President, Global and Regional Councils, for discussion of trends, perceptions and attitudes of the information consumer examined in the 2010 study.

OCLC Update Breakfast

Sunday, June 26, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.

Join OCLC and your colleagues for breakfast, a free gift and an update on OCLC activities from Jay Jordan, President and CEO. Then, share roundtable conversation with colleagues who share your interests, hosted by OCLC staff. ■

General

WorldCat Registry Changes

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The update, create and share functionality for OCLC WorldCat Registry (<http://www.worldcat.org/registry>) records has moved to a different platform called OCLC Service Configuration.

With this move, the library profiles in the WorldCat Registry become view-only. Authorized users can now go to OCLC Service Configuration to update or create their library's WorldCat Registry information here:

<https://worldcat.org/config/SignIn.do>

Single Place to Manage Institutional Information

With this move, you can now maintain institutional information, such as contact details and online catalog links, in a single place—OCLC Service Configuration. The move to Service Configuration can help streamline your efforts to maintain data.

Now you will have one less interface you have to learn and bookmark. This move also represents one less interface the cooperative needs to maintain, which saves member resources.

Additional Data Elements Added

In addition to the move, there are new data elements available in the WorldCat Registry. These new elements help support OCLC Web-Scale Management Services and mobile-specific functionality, including:

- New types of addresses to designate a shipping address versus a location address
- Time zone settings
- Open hours, including normal hours and special hours
- Additional options to designate availability for your online catalog, such as “Available online, intranet only or not available externally”

Additional Functionality Added

There are also new feature enhancements available, such as the ability to:

- Prevent duplicate entries for your institution
- View Registry records on a map and correct longitude and latitude
- View a listing of all authorized users for your institution
- View and update branches and affiliations on one page, and automatically relate records to each other
- Detect IP address duplicates

Libraries who do not already have an authorized WorldCat Registry account can request a login to OCLC Service Configuration by following the instructions at:

<http://www.oclc.org/access/prepare.htm>

All libraries, regardless of OCLC membership status, are encouraged to view their information at:

<http://www.worldcat.org/registry/institution>

WorldCat Registry API Users Only

There are some minimal changes to the WorldCat Registry APIs in terms of schemas and XML outputs. Find detailed information about these changes on the OCLC Developer Network blog at:

<http://www.oclc.org/developer>

About the WorldCat Registry

The WorldCat Registry is a free service for the library community, provided and maintained by the OCLC cooperative. With information on more than 100,000 libraries worldwide, the WorldCat Registry helps raise visibility for libraries on the Web. ■

General

New Palgrave Macmillan and OCLC Partnership

OCLC, edited

The publisher, Palgrave Macmillan, is a new OCLC WorldCat Cataloging Partner, and you can now subscribe to Palgrave Collections Sets as well. If you purchase items from this publisher already, read on for more information.

OCLC WorldCat Cataloging Partner: Palgrave Macmillan

OCLC is pleased to announce that Palgrave Macmillan has agreed to become a partner in WorldCat Cataloging Partners. Palgrave Macmillan is a global academic publisher, serving learning and scholarship in higher education and the professional world. They publish textbooks, journals, monographs, professional and reference works in print and online. Their program focuses on the Humanities, Social Sciences and Business. See their website for more information:

<http://www.palgrave.com>

To learn more about WorldCat Cataloging Partners, including how to begin receiving your MARC records for Palgrave Macmillan titles, visit:

<http://www.oclc.org/catalogingpartners/wccp.htm>

WorldCat Collection Sets: Palgrave Connect

OCLC WorldCat Collection Sets allows you to load multiple records for a specific set into your local catalog and automatically sets your holdings in WorldCat.

Several Palgrave Connect sets of records are available through WorldCat Collection Sets. Select the standing order option on the order form to receive new records as they are added.

The following new sets are available:

- Palgrave Connect Business & Management Collection
- Palgrave Connect Economics & Finance Collection
- Palgrave Connect History Collection

- Palgrave Connect Language & Linguistics Collection
- Palgrave Connect Literature & Performing Arts Collection
- Palgrave Connect Political & International Studies Collection
- Palgrave Connect Political & Philosophy Collection
- Palgrave Connect Social & Cultural Studies Collection

For more general information about WorldCat Collection Sets visit:

<http://www.oclc.org/worldcatsets>

For a list of available sets visit:

<http://collectionsets.oclc.org/JustLooking?cmd=displayElectronicSets>

Contact Minitex Cooperative Purchasing & Electronic Resources Services (CPERS) for pricing and ordering information (Contact information at the end of this Mailing). ■

General

FirstSearch Database Changes

OCLC; edited

Over a year ago (March 2010), OCLC announced its plans to transition from reselling e-content provided by publishers and other content providers as they increase their focus and investment on enhancing WorldCat and delivering new WorldCat platform services and Web-scale library services. OCLC will complete the planned transition June 30, 2011. **Note:** This has no impact on ELM, the Electronic Library for Minnesota. To view the list of databases that will be phased out, visit:

http://www.oclc.org/us/en/services/brochures/214431usf_OCLC_FirstSearch_Database_Transition_List.pdf

FirstSearch access will continue for the following databases:

Anthropological Index; Anthropological Literature; Anthropology Plus; ArchiveGrid; ArticleFirst; Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals; CAMIO – Catalog of Museum & Art Images; Chicano Database; Clase and Periodica; Electronic Books; Electronic Collections Online; ERIC; FRANCIS; GPO Monthly Catalog; Heritage of the Printed Book; History of Science, Technology and Medicine; Index to 19th-Century American Art Periodicals; MEDLINE; OAIster; PapersFirst; ProceedingsFirst; Russian Academy of Science Bibliographies; SCPIO; World Almanacs; WorldCat; WorldCat Dissertations and Theses

If you subscribe to these databases, OCLC recommends that you enable access to them through the WorldCat.org interface. WorldCat.org provides your users with the kind of user-friendly Web search experience familiar to them. If you subscribe to OCLC Cataloging and the WorldCat database, Web searchers will discover materials in your library's collections from popular search engines and familiar websites where they often begin their research. You may also place your locally branded WorldCat.org search box on any website your users consult regularly. For a closer look at this interface, visit:

<http://www.worldcat.org>

Instructions for setting up this access are available on the OCLC website:

<http://www.oclc.org/us/en/access/prepare.htm> ■

Cataloging and Metadata

RDA: The Waiting Game

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This article originally appeared in the May 2011 issue of the Minitex MESSENGER (<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/Communications/Messenger>). It has been revised slightly for publication here.

Resource Description and Access (RDA), the proposed successor to AACR2, underwent testing during the last three months of 2010 by the U.S. national libraries—the Library of Congress (LC), the National Library of Medicine, and the National Agricultural Library—and 23 test partners, a group made up of libraries, archives, book vendors, and consortia. Testers put RDA through its paces by means of cataloging sample and real-world library materials. The bibliographic and authority records produced, and the surveys completed by the catalogers as part of this process, were submitted to the U.S. RDA Test Coordinating Committee over that same time period.¹ Since January 2 of this year, the Committee has been sifting through this body of data to understand the potentials and pitfalls of cataloger interaction with the RDA text in a production environment.

With this investigation, the Committee arrived at the last stage of the U.S. RDA Test: they drew up a report of observations and recommendations on RDA which they then submitted to the managers of the U.S. national libraries on May 6. This report lays the groundwork for

¹ For a list of committee members, see: <http://www.loc.gov/bibliographic-future/rda/committee.html>. A collection of all RDA bibliographic and authority test records are on deposit at the Library of Congress website: <http://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpsd/RDAtestrecords.html>.

the national libraries' managers to make the decision on whether to implement RDA for their own institutions' cataloging activities—and by implication, the cataloging activities of other libraries in the nation. The question on the adoption of RDA is set to be answered before the end of June; the American Library Association Annual Conference, beginning June 23, may mark the occasion for this announcement. At about the same time, the Committee will release their RDA report to the public.

There are four possible outcomes to consider, according to the Committee: 1) the national libraries will vote not to implement RDA at all; 2) the national libraries will postpone implementation until specified revisions are made to the RDA text; 3) they will vote to implement RDA as it stands; or, 4) they will implement RDA as it stands with "recommended changes or policy decisions for US libraries."²

Should LC and the other national libraries decide to adopt RDA (irrespective of preferred revisions), they will likely introduce a time schedule that outlines a ramping-up process to full implementation. It is doubtful these institutions will simply flip the switch on RDA the day of the announcement. Doing so would not allow time for integrated library system vendors (some of whom appear to be waiting on the sidelines) to make required adjustments to their software and for libraries to upgrade their local cataloging systems. Nor would there be time enough to allow for training, whether specifically for catalogers or more broadly for other library staff, not to mention the revision of local cataloging practices, workflows, and documentation. It seems to me that, at the barest of minimums, a six-month delay will be built into the RDA implementation; better yet, a full year or even a little longer. (By way of historical example, AACR2 was first published in 1978, but only put into practice by LC on January 1, 1981.)

Does this decision mean that every cataloging institution must switch over to RDA along with LC? No. There will be many libraries that take their time moving over to the new cataloging code, waiting for it to mature before considering any wholesale changes on their end. Some other institutions may decide to only accept RDA copy, but continue to produce AACR2 original cataloging for the time being. And another group of libraries may perform RDA original cataloging for only one or two formats, slowly building their way to full local implementation. The means of enacting RDA in the work environment will be diverse, each based on the needs and abilities of individual libraries. As personnel from LC have noted, should RDA be implemented, we will be living in a hybrid cataloging environment for a long time as institutions slowly migrate over to using AACR2's successor full-time.

News on the implementation decision is bound to proliferate far and wide through the usual communication channels, such as e-mail discussion lists (e.g., AUTOCAT, RDA-L, OCLC-CAT) and other online postings. The Minitex BATS unit will share the announcement through our blog, twitter feed, and listservs when it is made.³ ■

Cataloging & Metadata

Connexion Client Authority Control Enhancements

OCLC; edited

There were enhancements added to Connexion client May 15-16. **Please note:** these changes do not require you to install a new version of the Connexion Client software; they are compatible with versions 2.10, 2.20, and 2.30.

Authority Control Enhancements

- Changes to punctuation; resulting in the ability to correctly control many more types of headings, including music uniform titles.
- Changes to restrict automatic tag flips when controlling
- Changes to enable the ability to easily control many reported 'uncontrollable' heading.
- Changes that now include the inclusion of candidate linked non-script headings when attempting to 'control all' headings in a bibliographic records.
- Changes to enable the controlling of genre authority records (Pending the distribution of the records by the Library of Congress)

Technical Bulletin 259R contains additional information regarding these changes:

<http://www.oclc.org/support/documentation/worldcat/tb/259/259.pdf>

More details on the enhancements implemented in the May install can be found from a recent OCLC webinar. The changes to authorities information is covered in the first part of the session. Look for the "Connexion Enhancements" link at the top of this webpage:

<http://www.oclc.org/us/en/connexion/overview/websessions.htm>

These enhancements are also discussed in any of the live Connexion client 2.3 webinars offered from Minitex. There are still two sessions left in June! Take a look here:

² Outcomes revealed here: <http://www.loc.gov/catdir/pcc/PoCo-RDA-Discussion-Paper040511.pdf>.

³ BATS blog: <http://blog.lib.umn.edu/minitex/bats>. BATS Twitter feed: <https://twitter.com/minitexbats>.

Cataloging & Metadata

New OCLC Cataloging Efficiencies Portal

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Last fall, OCLC Member Services kicked off its new event series, *Good Practices for Great Outcomes: Cataloging Efficiencies that Make a Difference*. Designed to highlight practical approaches and ideas that increase efficiency, these in-person meetings feature member librarians who talk about how they are working differently. They share workflow changes, discuss tools like WorldCat Cataloging Partners, and talk about how their approach to getting work done has changed. Numerous member panelists and keynote speakers have already provided a significant array of ideas, tips and advice.

OCLC is excited to announce the launch of a new online portal for *Good Practices for Great Outcomes* that showcases video and slide presentations from previous events and provides announcements about future events. In addition to these resources, OCLC also highlights their new blog and twitter feed, featuring ideas and recommendations contributed by members of the cooperative. You can access the new online portal here:

<http://www.oclc.org/us/en/news/events/goodpractices/default.htm>

Resource Sharing

WorldCat Resource Sharing Enhancements

OCLC; edited

On May 15, OCLC added several enhancements to the WorldCat Resource Sharing service. The following new features are included in OCLC Resource Sharing subscriptions at no additional charge to subscribers.

ALERT Field and Category

A new ALERT field is now included in the interlibrary loan lender form and an ALERT category is included in the WorldCat Resource Sharing Request Manager. A lending

library can use the new field to “alert” a borrowing library to issues with a request, such as incomplete or incorrect information in a citation.

When short-term access to MyiLibrary e-books (see section below for description) is released, the ALERT field will include the link to a requested e-book on the MyiLibrary web site.

Pending and In Process Categories split to Copy or Loan Designation

Lending libraries can now more easily manage their workflows by the format of requested items. The WorldCat Resource Sharing Request Manager groups incoming requests into two categories:

1. Copy: For article requests
2. Loan: For book-based requests

The Copy or Loan designation will remain with requests when they are updated to the **In Process** status.

E-mail an ILL Request to Non-WorldCat Resource Sharing Libraries

A new feature helps you place requests for hard-to-find items owned only by libraries that are not suppliers through the WorldCat Resource Sharing service. When you know a non-supplier will accept an e-mail request, you can now send an e-mail request that contains full bibliographic information from within WorldCat Resource Sharing. Your staff enter the e-mail address of the potential lender and your library's interlibrary loan e-mail address.

Coming Soon: Short-term Access to MyiLibrary e-books

The short-term access to e-books from Ingram's MyiLibrary e-books through WorldCat Resource Sharing and ILLiad (announced in April) will be released soon. When available, the new service option will expand access to library content already available through OCLC's resource sharing services to include access to e-books from Ingram's MyiLibrary e-book collection for a period of up to nine days. E-book loans will be fee-based, set at 15 percent of the MyiLibrary price for access to each e-book. The fee will be managed through the WorldCat Resource Sharing Interlibrary Fee Management (IFM) feature that supports payment of resource-sharing fees through your library's OCLC invoice.

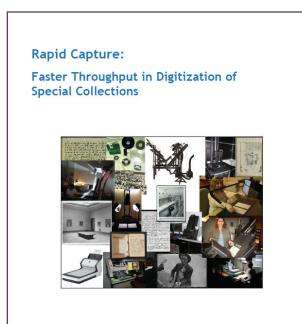
Digitization & Preservation

New OCLC Research Report: Rapid Capture

OCLC; edited

Last month a new OCLC Research Report *Rapid Capture: Faster Throughput in Digitization of Special Collections* was published. This report provides examples of how to simplify and streamline digital capture of non-book collections.

Nine case studies illustrate processes and procedures institutions have adopted to speed up digitization of special collections. The intent in sharing these vignettes is to enable others to consider whether or not any of the approaches could be applied to their own initiatives to increase the scale of their digitization efforts. Those featured in the case studies include:



- Archives and Special Collections, University of Minnesota
- Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution
- Archives of Traditional Music, Indiana University
- Prints & Photographs Division, Library of Congress
- Digital Collection Unit, The Bancroft Library, University of California, Berkeley
- Southern Regional Library Facility, University of California, Los Angeles
- University Archives, University of Minnesota
- Southern Historical Collection, University of North Carolina
- Department of Manuscripts and Rare Books, The Walters Art Museum

This report is the latest in a series of OCLC Research reports about how to increase access to special collections that have resulted from our work under the thematic focus of Mobilizing Unique Materials. View the report overview page for *Rapid Capture: Faster Throughput in Digitization of Special Collections*:

<http://www.oclc.org/research/publications/library/2011/2011-04r.htm>

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MINITEX CALENDAR

This calendar primarily lists events scheduled by Minitex, although other events are included. This is an informational posting only, registration materials are sent

separately. If you would like your event included in the calendar, please call Kay Kirscht at 612-624-3532.

JUNE

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Connexion Client 2.30: Enhancements You Can Use
11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m., CST
Online training session
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/Training/Details.aspx?SessionID=338>

JULY

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eLearning Summit 2011
Northwestern College, St. Paul, MN
Conference
<http://summit2011.project.mnscu.edu>

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Understanding Digital Images: Basic to Intermediate Concepts
Mikkelsen Library, Augustana College, Sioux Falls, SD
Workshop
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/Training/Details.aspx?SessionID=334>

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Branch Out 2011 - Beyond Your Comfort Zone
St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN
Conference
<http://branchoutmn.org/>

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Minitex Annual Public Library Node Meeting
Hennepin County Public Library – Brookdale
6125 Shingle Creek Parkway, Brooklyn Center, MN
Conference
<http://www.minitex.umn.edu/Communications/Enews/2011/120.aspx#plnode>

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NISO Webinar – Managing Physical Storage (hosted by Minitex Reference Outreach & Instruction)
12:00 Noon – 1:30 p.m., CST
15 Andersen Library, Conference Room
West Bank Area, Minneapolis Campus
University of Minnesota–Twin Cities
Teleconference
<https://www.minitex.umn.edu/Events/Niso/#storage>