The CTW Consortium: Decades in Resource Sharing

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Formed in 1984
Originally for a shared ILS and reciprocal borrowing.

Since then:
Annual Retreats
DDA Initiatives
Committees & SIGs:
• Collection Development
• Tech Services
• Digital Projects
• Access Services
• Government Information

“A benchmark for the rest of our institutions”
Where we are now:

• Smaller staffs, rising expectations and changing priorities

• Budgets still 40% below pre-2009 levels and relatively flat

• Vying expenditures:
  • Unique content vs. format options vs. preferences
  • Monographs vs. journals vs. eResources
Shared Print Approval Plan (via GOBI) – started January 2017

• Focus on University Presses
• 1 copy of new title to share across CTW (duplicate copies upon request)
• Rotate shipments on weekly basis
• Minimum of 3 Years

• Offers broader collection, more unique titles
• Improves workflows with fewer duplicates
• Reduces selection workload
CTW in EAST

• Balance of EAST retention copies vs. CTW needs
• CC and TC moving forward on serials retention

HATHI Trust

• WU 1st CTW partner to join.
• Mellon funded project w/Wesleyan University Press to add OOP publications for Open Access
Thank You!!