UC Libraries Shared Print

Journal Archiving Campaign Service (JACS) 3

Brief Collections Analysis Summary
2017/2018 Title List

The Journal Archiving Campaign Service (JACS) supports coordinated campus deposits to the RLFs with an annual deposit schedule for new shared print titles. A defined title list is prepared each year, and campuses can contribute all holdings for the specified titles. The following summary describes the collections analysis for the JACS 3 (2017/18) title list.

The data yielded from the 2015/16 analysis of UC's print serials, via the AGUA collections analysis service, was re-used for the 2017/18 analysis. The AGUA service normalized UC's data with the Ulrich's XML data service and divided eligible journals into title categories; format availability, digital preservation, and other factors form the risk profile for each title category. A team of three bibliographers – specialists in the sciences, humanities, and social sciences – identified a subset of journal backfiles totaling approximately 20,000 volumes for JACS 3.

The collections scope devised by the Shared Print Strategy Team during JACS 2 (2016/17) helped guide JACS 3 collections analysis to identify titles for inclusion in the service and the UCL Shared Print collection. Some adjustments were made to the criteria to support an abbreviated approach due to staffing circumstances.

The 2017/18 dataset identified 269,895 unique, eligible volumes for JACS 3. To narrow down the list of high quality titles to only the subset to be proposed in JACS 3, bibliographers set the following collections priorities for the 2017/18 campaign:

- Prioritize print only titles (Title Category 4, electronically indexed/abstracted only)
- Prioritize titles that have not been archived by any trusted archive
- Prioritize titles with moderate to high overlap across the UCs to benefit many UC libraries
- · Balance selected criteria across arts, humanities, social sciences, and sciences subject areas
- Prioritize quality of titles, not depth of existing RLF holdings
- Include material from A and Z LC classes (Reference)
- Prioritize refereed scholarly backfiles; include high-overlap trade and consumer titles
- Exclude the K LC class and government documents
- Do not actively seek to add new titles to the JSTOR archive

The criteria outlined in this summary reflect JACS 3 priorities and are intended for use in JACS 3 only. Criteria for future JACS might reflect different priorities.

The resulting JACS 3 title list, totaling 20,135 volumes (418 journal backfiles), reflects a wide range of subject areas, and holdings for the selected titles are widely distributed among the UC campuses. The JACS 3 title list is evenly divided between the RLFs.

¹ RLF staff will receive multiple holdings from multiple campuses, remove duplicates, accession a single complete copy for long term retention, and disclose UC's retention commitment. For each title, a single shared print archive is disclosed and stored for long term retention and access.