Users Council Meeting  
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Request Service and VDX implementation


What’s new?

- Request Interlibrary loan and Document Delivery for end users
  - In test now, change in handling Document Delivery Requests, so that DDS and ILL items can be processed in a single session.
  - Changed the error message for Requests from the Melvyl Catalog for journals, instead of a screen telling users to remove journals from their Request and try again, the user now gets a screen providing a link to Citation Linker forms and a list of other options.
  - Coming soon to test, the ability to process Requests from the Melvyl Catalog for journals within a Request session.

- VDX UC’s "Consortial Borrowing System" for library staff
  - UCSB is the first campus to lend to OCLC partners via VDX

Who is doing it on the campuses and how?

- Request Interlibrary loan and Document Delivery for end users
  - DDS changes are in test now for ILL and Public Service staff to review
  - Changes to journal processing will be in test soon

- VDX UC’s "Consortial Borrowing System" for library staff
  - All campuses (except UCM) are using VDX for lending
  - Six of nine campuses are now using the VDX system for borrowing

Why should you care?

- More Requests are going direct-to-lender, and more are being delivered via web Desk Top Delivery. This results in faster service for end users.
- The changes to DDS handling and journal handling within Request will streamline the process and should significantly decrease the user frustration level.

Who should I tell when I get home?