

WEST Summer 2025 Member Meeting

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Meeting Information

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Thursday, July 24, 2025 - 90 minutes

Pacific: 10-11:30am

Mountain: 11am-12:30pm

Central: 12pm-1:30pm

Eastern: 1-2:30pm

Register in advance: <https://UCOP.zoom.us/meeting/register/6dRWA6KnRhKHvJm7ERWHRA>

Information for joining the meeting and calendar attachments are shared automatically after registering.

Goals for this meeting

- Cultivate connection with and between WEST member libraries
- Inspire collective action on key activities

Agenda

Agenda Topic	PT	MT	CT	ET	Duration
<i>Arrivals - WEST slideshow of updates and facts</i>	10:00	11:00	12:00	1:00	0:05
Welcome and opening remarks - Jo Anne Newyear-Ramirez, WEST Executive Committee chair, Associate University Librarian for Scholarly Resources, University of California Berkeley	10:05	11:05	12:05	1:05	0:10
Collaboration in times of uncertainty - panel discussion Karen Estlund, Dean of Libraries, Colorado State University Libraries Anne Craig, Senior Director, Consortium of Academic and Research Libraries in Illinois (CARLI) Danielle Salomon, Director of Libraries, Mount Saint Mary's University <i>Moderator: Alison Wohlers, WEST Program Manager</i> In a moment of keen challenge and volatility, libraries are faced with difficult decisions for where to invest their resources. The wide range of collaborative and membership organizations in which libraries invest are increasingly under scrutiny. These investments can be perceived along a spectrum from being critical foundations for extending already scarce resources, to being strategic or expendable public good investments. This	10:15	11:15	12:15	1:15	0:40

panel will engage with what it looks like for different institutions to navigate the opportunities and challenges of a complex ecosystem of collaborative organizations, the collaborative benefits that are increasing in importance, and how they're grappling with evaluating and communicating the value of their collaborative investments.					
Community Q&A	10:55	11:55	12:55	1:55	0:10
How we're taking action as a community in WEST - lightning talks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WEST Internet Archive Pilot - Niamh Wallace, Associate Librarian / Print & Collaborative Collection Initiatives Unit Lead, University of Arizona • WEST Gap-filling Pilot - Shari Laster, Head, Open Collections Curation and Access / Interim Associate University Librarian, Collections , Arizona State University • WEST Communication Resources - Nika Burns Teshin, Shared Print Analyst, WEST 	11:05	12:05	1:05	2:05	0:15
Community Q&A	11:20	12:20	1:20	2:20	0:05
Thank You & wrap-up - Jo Anne Newyear-Ramirez, WEST Executive Committee chair	11:25	12:25	1:25	2:25	0:05