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OhioLINK Print Archiving Report
The Ohio Library and Information Network (OhioLINK) is a consortium of 89 academic institutions and the State Library of Ohio. The consortium's central staff support the coordination of five regional depositories that include the print and media archiving for the collections of our 13 state-supported universities. Three of these five depositories are facilities shared among multiple universities.

The directors of the 13 state-supported universities make up the Regional Depositories Governing Council. This council serves as an oversight body of the five depositories, sets policies, and approves guidelines for preserving print and media collections. A smaller group, comprised of the five library directors managing a depository facility, continues to oversee day-to-day management and budgetary issues.

The depositories are involved in an ongoing de-duplication effort covering the serial collections in the depositories. This includes participating in OCLC's Shared Print Management Program.

Deduplication Efforts in OhioLINK
Work is continuing on a serials deduplication project across the five depositories, a project that has been in place over the past eight years. While this project had its origin in deduplicating print serial titles for which there was also electronic access in OhioLINK's Electronic Journal Center, all current efforts are focused on the deduplication of serial titles with the most print volumes held across the depository system. This focus has allowed the depositories to maximize the amount of space regained through the deduplication process.

The procedures of the deduplication process have evolved over the years, and the current policy includes the following:
- The depository system will maintain one complete print run of each title deduplicated across one or more depositories, and
- Titles being deduplicated will be verified at the volume level for any title where there are at least two print copies available through OCLC.

As of the start of 2019, the depositories are working through a sixth list of serial titles identified for deduplication. The depositories are able to verify keeper volume copies for approximately 2.5 titles per week, and withdrawing duplicate copies saves approximately

150 to 200 linear feet per title depending on the title. In total, over 126 titles have been deduplicated, with over 12,000 linear feet of space reclaimed in the depositories.

LSTA Grant to Identify Unique Titles in Southeast Depository
Ohio University in conjunction with OhioLINK completed an LSTA grant project exploring the viability of a process to identify and relocate unique monographs and serials in the Southeast Depository (one of the five OhioLINK depositories). Uniqueness in this context incorporated a number of criteria, including the number of holdings for a particular title in the United States, in the state of Ohio, and in the print collections of the OhioLINK member libraries.

Questions?
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