

Assemblée générale annuelle
Keep@Downsview
Annual Member Meeting

June 2026

Affirmation autochtone

Nous rendons hommage au peuple algonquin, gardien traditionnel de cette terre. Nous reconnaissons le lien sacré de longue date l'unissant à ce territoire, qui demeure non cédé. Nous rendons également hommage à toutes les personnes autochtones qui habitent Ottawa, qu'elles soient de la région ou d'ailleurs au Canada. Nous reconnaissons les gardiennes et gardiens des savoirs traditionnels de tous âges. Nous honorons aussi leurs dirigeantes et dirigeants d'hier, d'aujourd'hui et de demain, au courage indéniable.

Indigenous affirmation

We pay respect to the Algonquin people, who are the traditional guardians of this land. We acknowledge their longstanding relationship with this territory, which remains uncaded. We pay respect to all Indigenous people in this region, from all nations across Canada, who call Ottawa home. We acknowledge the traditional knowledge keepers, both young and old. And we honour their courageous leaders: past, present, and future.

Agenda

- Program Updates

- Partnerships: York University Libraries Share-only pilot
- Metadata: Retention commitments & Rialto Collection Development Workflows

- Member Updates

- 170,000 volumes to go: moving out of leased offsite storage (McMaster)
- From serials to monographs: Reducing our print footprint (MUN)
- Law Old Class: A Multiyear, Collaborative (and Ongoing) Process (Queens)
- Embedding Shared Print in the uOttawa Library Rightsizing Effort (Ottawa)

- UTL@Downsview Facility Updates

- 4 millionth book
- Construction update

- Q&A



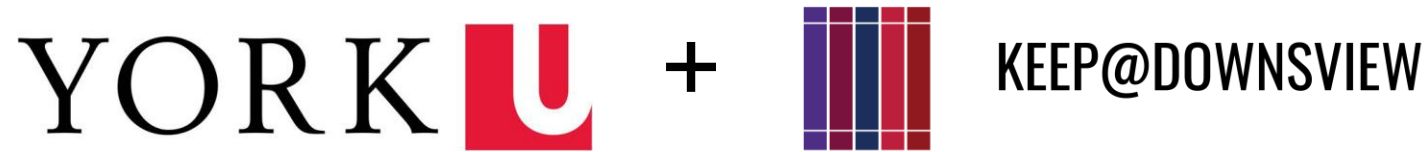
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Program level updates



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Share-only Pilot Project



York University Libraries will test participation in Keep@Downsview through a **Shared Only Model**.

- What is a Share Only Model?
- Why Are We Doing This?
- Timeline
- Success Measures

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Shared Print Retentions for Downsview Titles

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Why register shared print commitments?

- Global visibility and discovery
- Support for evidence-based collection management
- Strengthened trust and accountability
- Interoperability across shared print initiatives
- Long-term preservation and risk mitigation
- Demonstration of program value and impact



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Retentions Registered in OCLC

- Keep@Downsview – 102,110 titles registered
- UTL@Downview – 2,759,399 titles registered
- HathiTrust – Phase 2 – 634,998 titles registered
- HathiTrust Phase 3 – 88 titles registered

Planned retentions

- North/Nord government publications phases 1, 2, and 3
- North/Nord Canadiana
- North/Nord Indigenous Works



Downsview Holdings in OCLC Worldshare

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Related Bibliographic Record [7688115](#)

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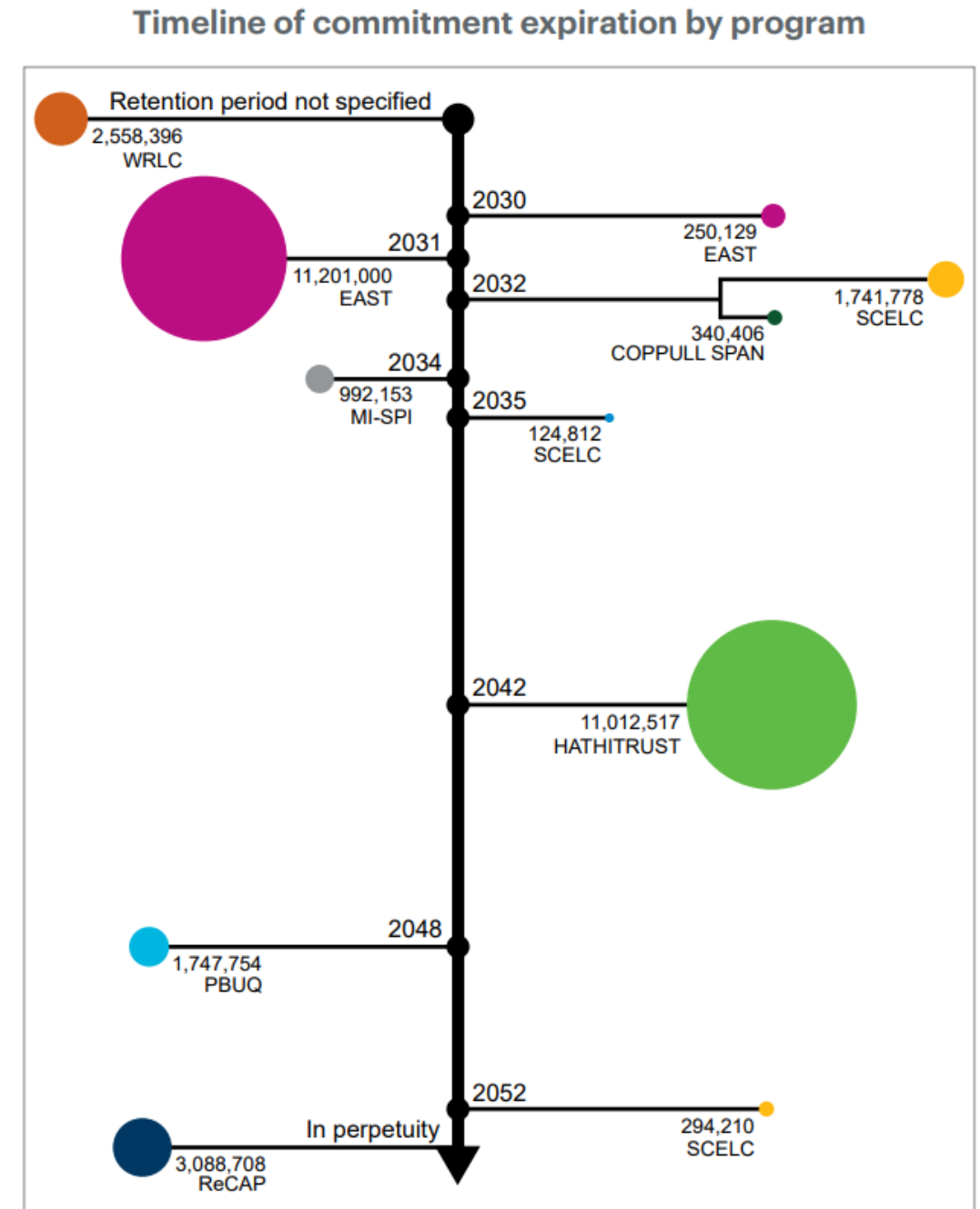
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Adding the Partnership to the Retentions Landscape

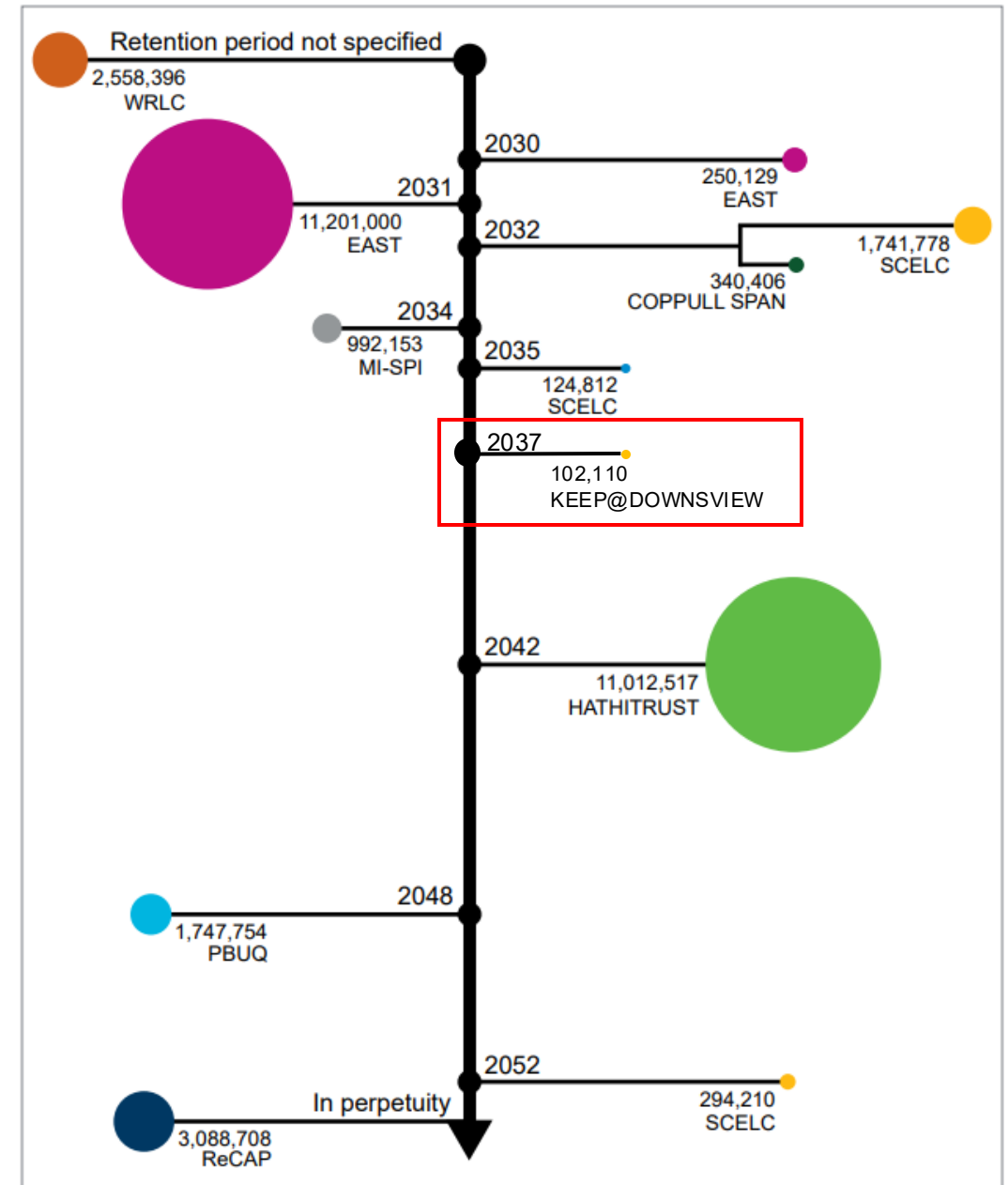
- "Stewarding the Collective Collection: An Analysis of Print Retention Data in the US and Canada" by Ian Bogus, Rachel Frick, Devon Smith, Susan Stearns, and Alison Wohlers
- Illustrates the number of shared print retention statements registered in OCLC, alongside the retention expiration date



Adding the Partnership to the Retentions Landscape

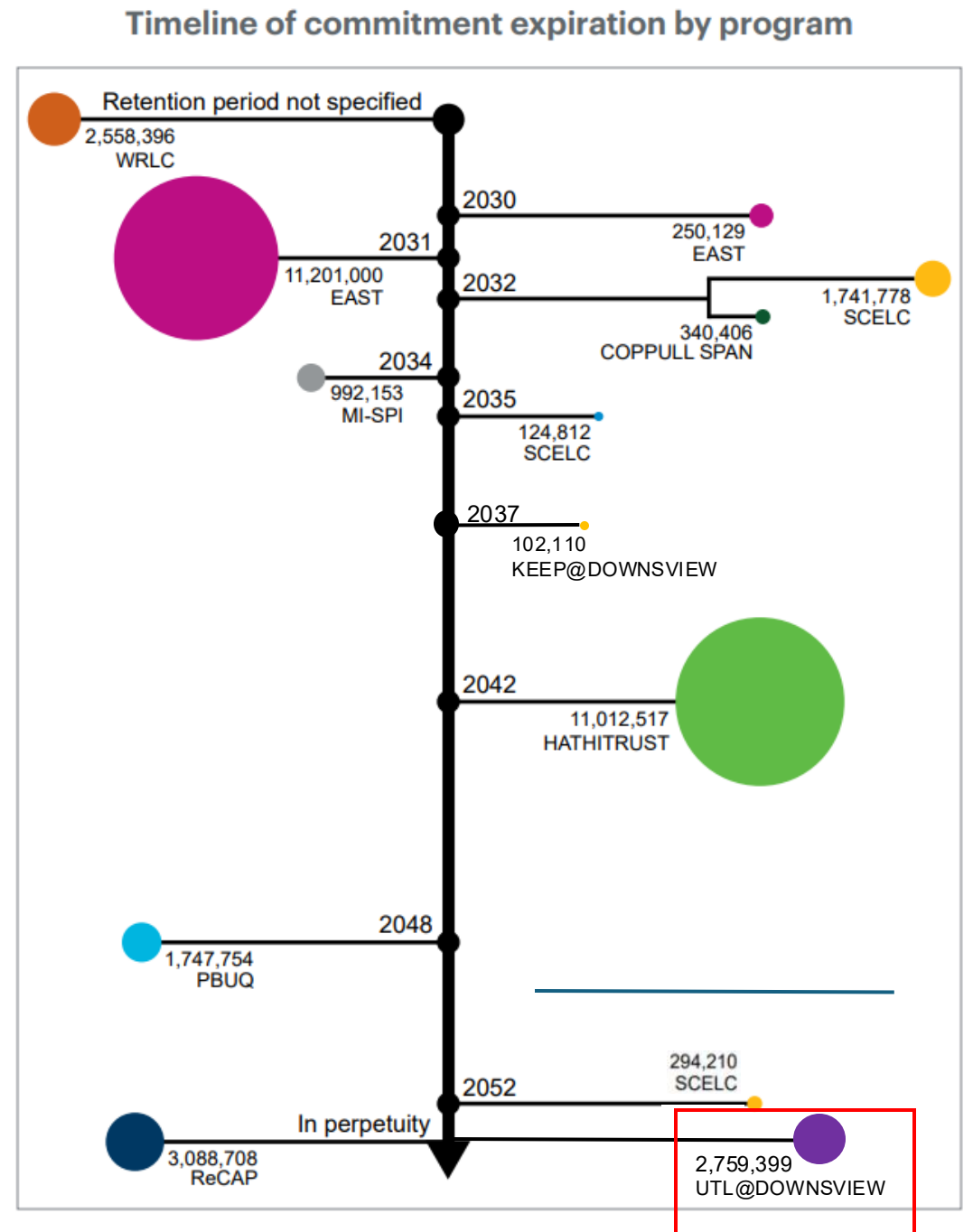
- Keep@Downsview retentions are now on the map!
- With the York University "share only" agreement, this number will grow significantly

Timeline of commitment expiration by program



Adding the Partnership to the Retentions Landscape

- ...But the potential is so much greater!



Next Steps

- Obtain OCLC numbers for records lacking the identifier
- Implement batch processes to add 583 notes to UTL holdings records
- Investigate use of the item level "Commitment to retain" functionality in Alma
- Develop procedures and an update schedule to ensure currency in the retentions updating process
- Work towards registering serials in the CRL PAPR database



Collection Development Workflows in Rialto

New Opportunities for Shared Print

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The Challenge: Why Shared Print Needs New Tools

Shared print decisions cannot be made in isolation

- Every decision depends on what is held elsewhere, what is already retained, and what is at risk of being lost

Traditional overlap analysis was slow and hard to scale

- Point-in-time snapshots, manual data extraction, results distributed centrally — not sustainable at program scale

The core need: real-time, cross-institutional visibility into collection overlap



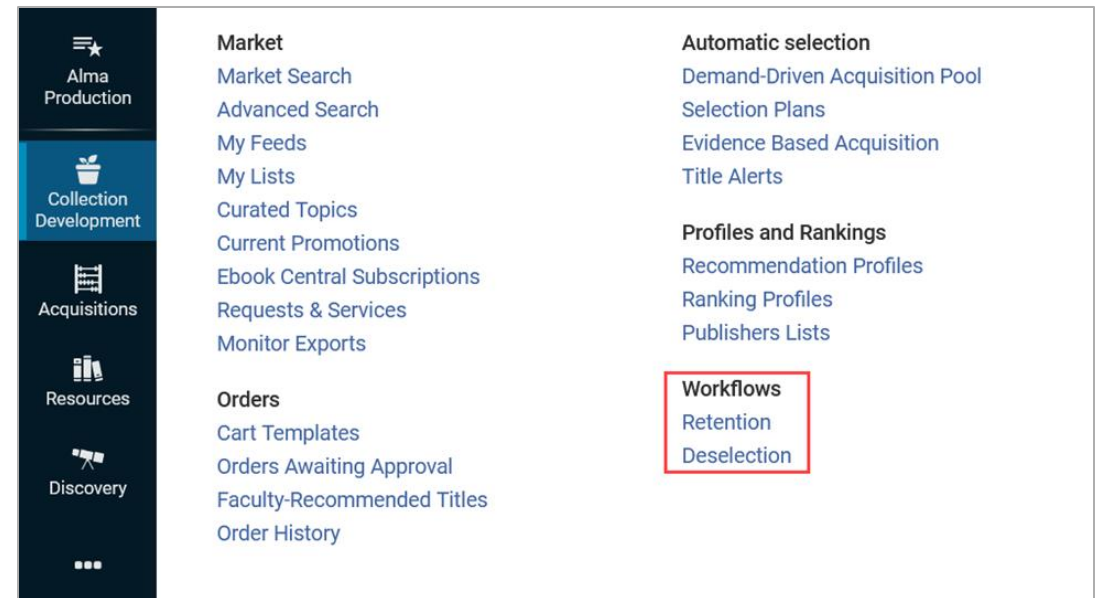
Keep@Downsview as an Early Adopter

- In 2025, Keep@Downsview libraries joined the Rialto Collection Development Workflows (CDW) Early Adopter Program
- We are not just using CDW — we are actively shaping it
 - As an early adopter, we work directly with Clarivate to ensure the workflows reflect shared print requirements
 - Gaps we encounter are reported and tracked — our experience is driving product development
- K@D is at the table, helping to build the tools that shared print programs will rely on

Available Workflows

The first two collection development workflows are released:

- Retention – enables libraries to identify resources that should be kept ensuring the integrity of their collections
- Deselection – assists libraries in finding which resources they afford to eliminate and/or share as part of K@D



Ways CDW Can Support Shared Print

Cross-Institutional Deselection

Partners initiate overlap analysis independently

Analysis runs in real time — no data extraction required

Scoped by LC class, location, usage, condition, and more

Building Collaborative Collections

Identify areas of concentrated overlap across partner collections to coordinate preservation at Downsview

Multiple institutions queried simultaneously — extended report gives a full view of overlap across the network

Institution-Level Deduplication

Prevent duplication when transferring items to Downsview

Libraries search for overlap across one or multiple locations simultaneously

Catches matches on different bibliographic records — a gap that previous MMS-based workflows missed



Current Scope: What CDW Can (and Cannot Yet) Do

✓ Works Well Today

Single Monographs

Retention and deselection workflows fully support single-volume monographic titles

Real-time analysis, flexible scoping, and bulk action support are all available

Comprehensive extended title reports available for detailed analysis

○ Not Yet Supported

Multi-Volume Sets

Serials

Non-book resource types

These are known gaps — as an early adopter, K@D is actively reporting requirements to Ex Libris to support future development



Summary

Participation in the Rialto CDW Early Adopter Program offers an opportunity to:

- Shape the tool around shared print requirements
- Bring real workflows into product design
- Reduce manual processes

This investment of time and effort leads to:

- Tools that reflect real operational needs
- Greater confidence in outputs and decision-making
- More efficient and scalable workflows



Member Updates



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170,000 volumes to go: moving out of leased offsite storage

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Background

- Leased, commercial, general storage space
- Done quickly, driven by demand to release campus space
- Largest transfer in mid-2000s, but smaller amounts added in subsequent years
- Books (mostly...)
- Metadata (mostly...)
- Current term ends in 2027, strong push not to renew

Collection Development Deselection Project

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Results so far

- From the OCLC matches, there are around 17,000 Downview matches and 13,000 for other UofT libraries (out of 142,000)
- Without OCLC matches, there are 2,141 discard matches and 1,832 sends. A small number of these have matching LCCNs and ISBNs
- The non-OCLC matches seem mostly accurate and could be sorted through quickly
- This leaves us with ~108,000 titles

From serials to monographs: Reducing our print footprint

Memorial University

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Serials

- Over 2 years of overlap analysis
- Included pre-1986 and then pre-2006 journals; beginning with unique contributions
- 2024 – shipped 14,387 items (19 skids) to Downsview

2025 to present

- Pre-2016 journals
- Focus on journals currently held in Downsview
- 2026 – 40,145 items shared

Monographs

Queen Elizabeth II (QEII) Stacks

- Overlap analysis
- Collectors – item decision

Off Site Storage

- 215,063 items
- KNIME 2 analysis
 - 113,411 high confidence title matches – of which 62,389 are in Downsvew
 - Additional 32,137 items are held in UTL's collections

Law Old Class: A Multiyear, Collaborative (and Ongoing) Process

Queens University

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Background

- Law Old Class is a section of the Law Collection that is classed in “K##,” and has not been integrated into the current classification (LC) of the rest of the collection
- Conversations surrounding weeding and sending Old Class to Downsview started in 2019. The Pandemic and competing priorities delayed the project
- Project began in earnest in 2022, paused due to a maternity leave, and resumed in late 2025

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This resulted in a list of potential candidates to send to Downsview

Multiple rounds of review and deduping occurred after the initial list

Where are we now?

Following a maternity leave, discussions resumed in late 2025

- Sent the list of candidates to Marlene to process in Knime
- Reviewed list and deduped again
- Produced a final pull list

- We are here:
- Summer 2026
 - Pulling and boxing up materials to send to Downsview

Why is this an important project for Queen's?

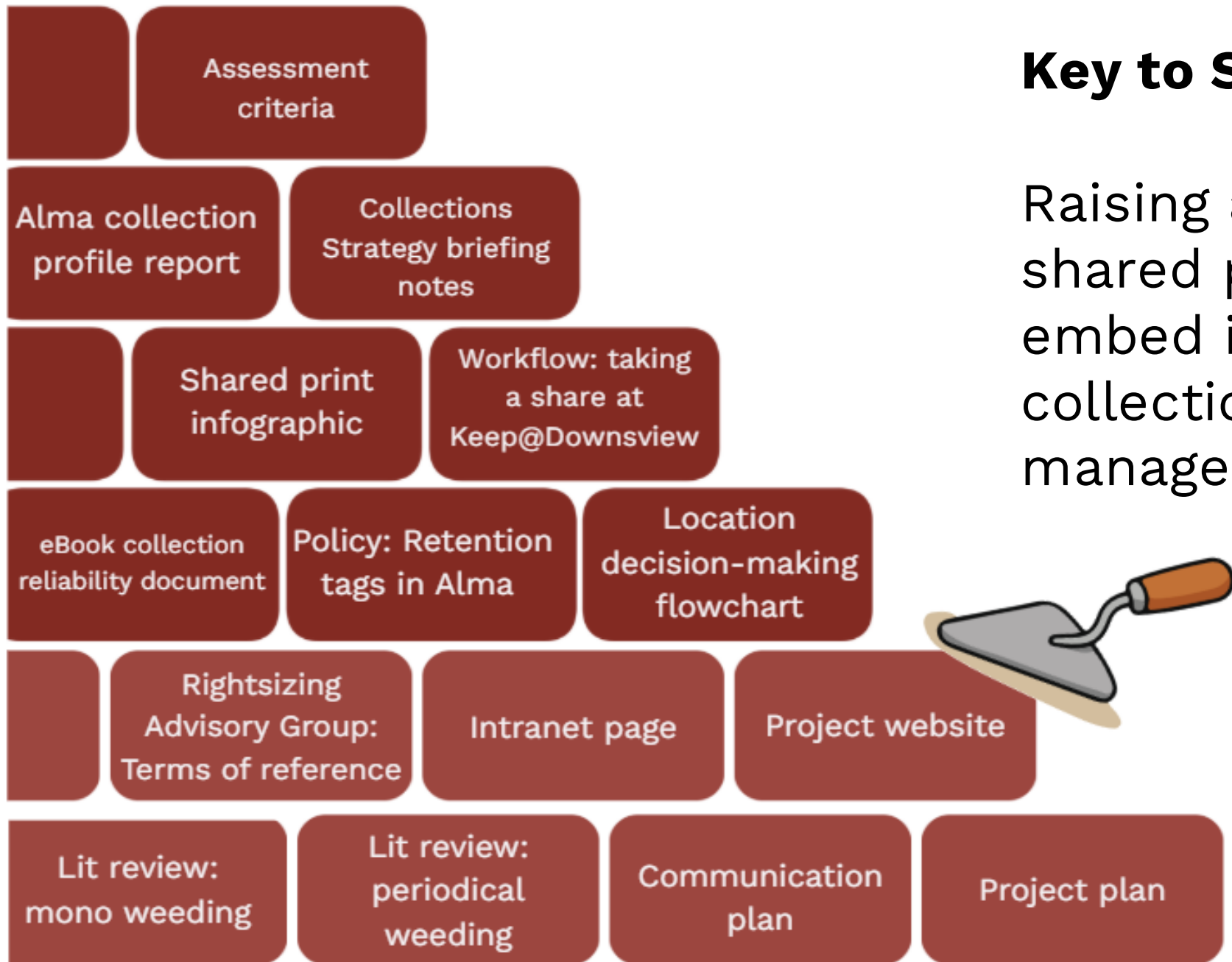
- Provides a model for use with other collections within the library system
- Uncovered ways in which we can improve our process
- Sending the majority of the Old Class materials to Downsview means we do not have to reclassify them to integrate them into the rest of the Law collection

Embedding Shared Print in the uOttawa Library Rightsizing Effort

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Key to Success of this Work:

Raising awareness about shared print in order to embed its use in our collection lifecycle management



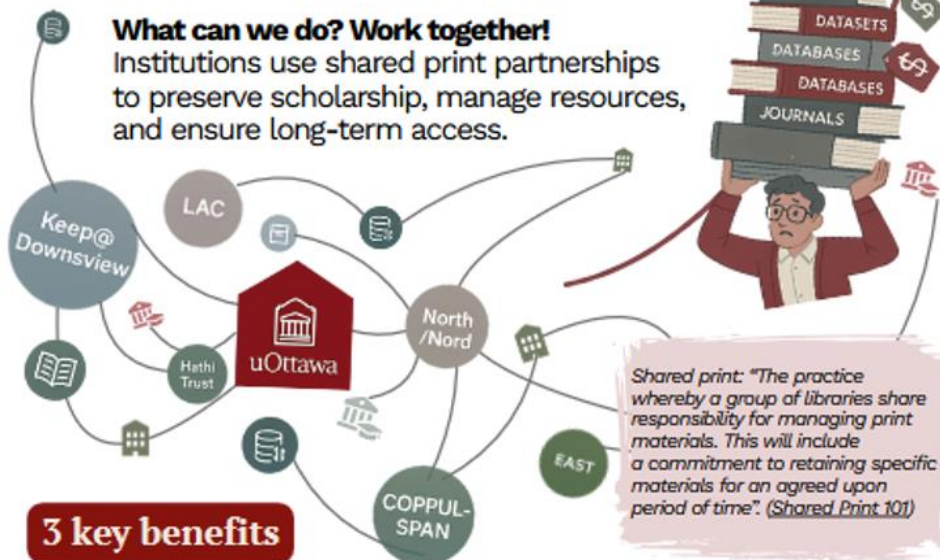
Safeguarding Scholarship: The Power of Shared Print

The challenge:

Academic publishing has exploded, outpacing libraries' ability to comprehensively collect and provide access.

What can we do? Work together!

Institutions use shared print partnerships to preserve scholarship, manage resources, and ensure long-term access.



3 key benefits

- 1. Preserve the scholarly record:** Libraries commit to retain and steward print collections, ensuring long-term care and access.
- 2. Collaborative growth:** Institutions share expertise, responsibility, risks, and benefits of large-scale cooperation.
- 3. More content and access for users:** Ensures long-term access to an infinitely more complete and expansive print collection—today and for future generations.

Shared print isn't just about resource management – it's about safeguarding the future of scholarship!

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Image 1: view of a shelf in MRT stacks

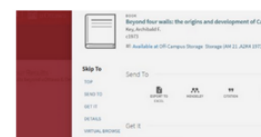
To identify which low-use material to shift to off-campus storage, the project team developed [discipline-specific criteria](#) considering factors such as loans, publication date, disciplinary nuances, and language. We anticipate that

Our shared print programs

- Keep@Downsview** (K@D): is a collaboration between the University of Ottawa, the University of Toronto, McMaster University, Queen's University, Western University, and Memorial University. This initiative preserves library materials in a centralized, high-density storage facility located at the University of Toronto's Downsview campus. Established in 2014, K@D aims to safeguard and maintain valuable collections built over time, ensuring their availability for future generations.
- North/ Nord:** is a pan-Canadian collaboration that coordinates shared print initiatives of national significance across public, academic, and government libraries in Canada. The University of Ottawa participates as a member of K@D.
- Membership led programs:** The University of Ottawa contributes to several membership-led programs, both nationally and internationally, including the [Centre for Research Libraries](#) and [HathiTrust](#). These programs support shared print initiatives by developing database and registry infrastructure, hosting forums for collaborative learning, collecting and digitizing materials, and establishing standards and governance. Our library remains committed to supporting these programs by contributing expertise and materials to address gaps in these

Frequently asked questions

How can I disc



What is a 'shared print program'?

Why is the University of Ottawa participating in shared print programs?

Are shared print programs a common practice among research libraries?

How do I access materials in the Keep@Downsview shared collection?

How are you deciding which materials to include in Keep@Downsview?

Can I provide input on materials being considered?

Does the K@D shared print partnership receive government funding? How is it funded?

How long does it take an item to arrive from the K@D shared print facility?

Can someone outside of the K@D shared print partnership borrow from them?

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[Field report: Communicating the uOttawa Library Collection Rightsizing Effort](#)

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Abstract

This field report examines the development and evaluation of a communications strategy for an academic university library's multi-year Collection Rightsizing Effort. Recognizing that weeding projects often provoke stakeholder concerns around transparency and consultation, the project team adopted best practices from the *Weeding Communications in the Collections Lifecycle Project Communications Matrix* framework, developed by a subgroup of the joint Rosemont/ Partnership Communications and Advocacy Working Group, to guide and assess communication practices. The report outlines the creation, evaluation and improvements made to a comprehensive communications strategy. Survey results from the first year reveal strong awareness of the project and shared print initiatives, while highlighting areas for improvement in consultation and stakeholder confidence. Findings underscore the importance of early, consistent, transparent communication and shared print messaging for securing buy-in for large-scale collection lifecycle management projects. This report offers practical insights for libraries undertaking similar projects, emphasizing adaptable strategies for fostering trust and engagement.

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Communication in Shared Print at Academic Libraries: Report of Findings

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Abstract

This report focuses on communication practices in and across shared print programs and their member libraries. It explores how member libraries communicate shared print initiatives to stakeholders and whether a communication and change management plan could enhance the successful integration and normalization of shared print efforts within a library's collection strategy and practice.

This project emerged from two key factors: (1) the recognition of the need for high-level and often complex communication within the shared print landscape, and (2) the limited understanding of existing communication challenges among shared print stakeholders. A series of interviews, surveys, and focus groups were conducted with members of shared print programs from Canada and the USA.

The findings of this project underscore that effective communication is essential for the success and sustainability of shared print initiatives in academic libraries. Despite notable progress in the development of shared print programs, significant challenges remain in conveying the purpose and benefits of these initiatives to a range of stakeholders, both internal and external. Obstacles such as gaps in

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UTL@Downsview Facility Updates

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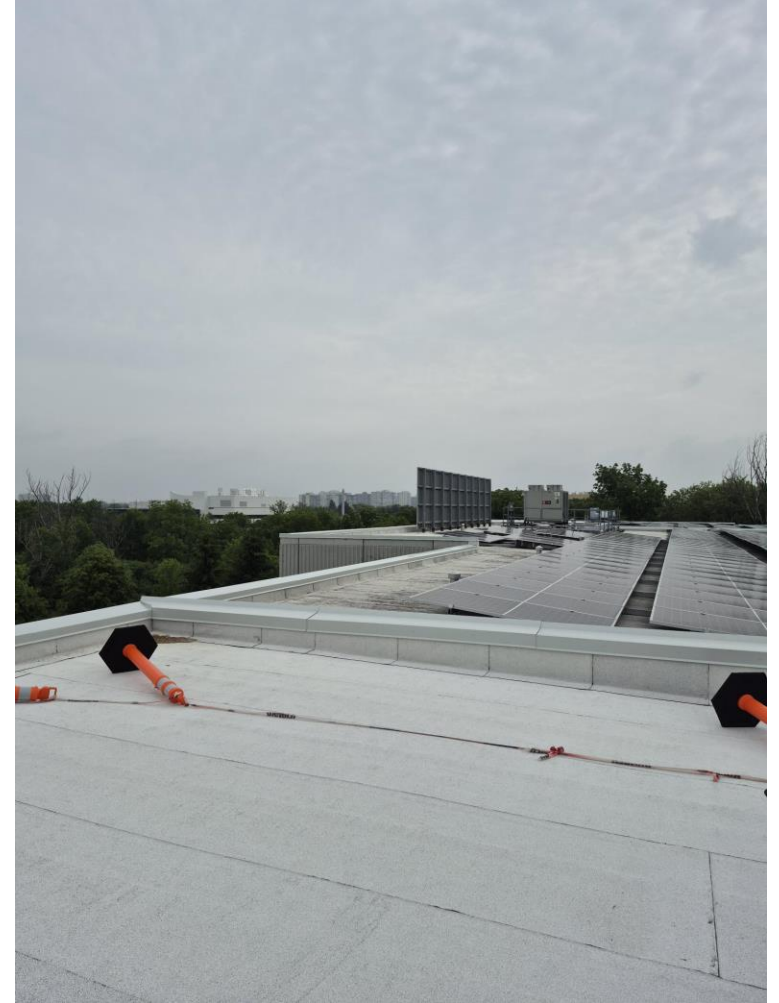
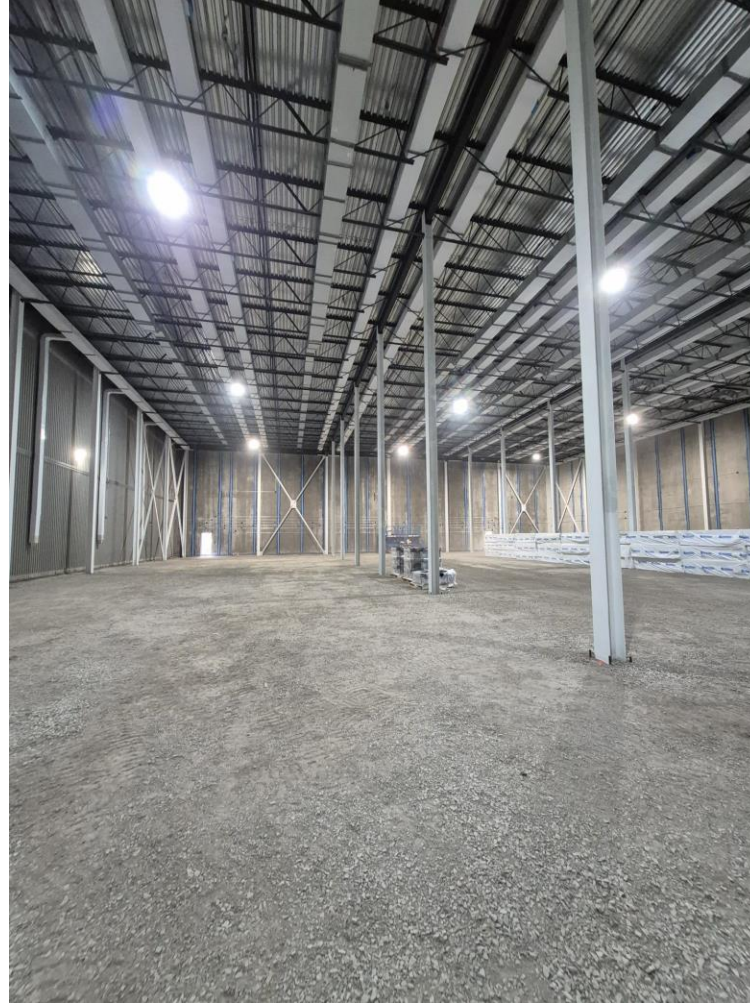
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Common Understanding



Shared print is one collection management tool used today in academic libraries worldwide



K@D has a solid foundation and is focussed on continuous improvement



We value the collective achievements that collaboration has presented



We recognize the importance of preserving the scholarly record

Questions

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