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The Eastern Academic Scholars' Trust (EAST) is a shared print initiative involving over 60+ academic and research libraries in 11 states from Maine to Florida. EAST is focused on retaining unique, scarcely held and frequently used scholarly monographs and serials in support of scholarship, research and teaching. To learn more, please visit our website at www.eastlibraries.org

Since the previous PAN update, the EAST Collective Collection has continued to grow, particularly in the areas of serials and journals. Our Serials and Journals Retention Partners have committed to retain 19,000 titles in the widely and medium held categories. The Project Team and CRL are working on the second phase of this work, identifying additional titles for retention by leveraging Tableau's visualization capabilities to represent overlap, depth of holdings, subject coverage, and more. Each of our Serials Retention Partners will get their own Tableau visualization to review and approve allocations in the scarce category (which currently includes 95,000 titles).

On the monographs side, EAST is in the early stages of exploring a flexible participation model for future individual members that takes advantage of our existing data, documentation, and infrastructure. The first library to join EAST under this model is a Serials & Journals retention partner, the U.S. Coast Guard Academy. Work with the Coast Guard Academy is expected to begin in the summer.

The EAST website has been updated to reflect our expanded membership, and documentation has been added to assist in onboarding new staff at member libraries, and to help answer commonly asked questions. This has all been done with the valuable assistance of the EAST Operations Committee, which has assisted the Project Team in expanding significantly the QandA section pertaining to serials.

The EAST Project Team continues to be involved in the Partnership for Shared Book Collections, sitting and/or chairing various committees and working groups. EAST's past and current work has continued to serve as one of several reference points for the Partnership. The full Partnership update is available in a separate document.

The Project Team continues to be involved with Rosemont as active participants in the Operations Committee and its working groups, particularly involved in reviewing and updating the Rosemont Task List. Peggy Seiden (Swarthmore), an EAST Executive Committee member, is the Chair of the Rosemont Executive Committee.