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Library Services

AT A **GLANCE**

LIBRARY SERVICES PLATFORM PROJECT

The Library Services Platform (LSP) project is a statewide initiative to implement a unified resource management system across California community college libraries. This project will enable libraries to manage both print and electronic resources using Alma, a cloud-based library services platform. Alma is integrated with Primo, a patron-facing discovery service that provides centralized and personalized access to each participating college's library resources. Each college will have local control over functional aspects of Alma and Primo configurations, while taking advantage of shared opportunities for cataloging, e-resource data, interlibrary loan, and other services. Implementation costs, including training and support, as well as the first year's subscription are funded by the LSP project.

Project milestones

- The pilot phase includes 11 vanguard colleges that will complete a trial run of data migration and implementation in the fall of 2018.
- Feedback from the vanguard colleges will inform revisions and enhancements to the process that will be used to bring all participating colleges on board.
- Statewide implementation is scheduled to begin in late January 2019. All participating colleges will go live on the platform in December 2019 and January 2020.
- An additional five years of funding, proposed in the system's 2019-20 budget, will depend on strong data and a high degree of participation from colleges.

Join the statewide implementation project

The project is a close collaboration with the Council of California Community Colleges Chief Librarians and over 80% of the California community colleges have already indicated interest in participating.

Colleges and districts are invited to sign and submit the **Institution Participation Agreement** to join the statewide implementation. Agreements are due **no later than October 31, 2018**.

Library Services Platform

The Library Services Platform project leverages an industry-leading solution to manage digital and print resources in a modern, mobile-friendly environment. This unified resource management solution simplifies and expands the discovery experience of the researcher, facilitates streamlined workflows, and increases cooperation across library networks. The platform provides libraries with the most cost-effective library management solution in the industry—supporting teaching, learning, and research.

The screenshot displays two views of the Library Services Platform. The Administrator View (left) shows a dashboard for Chris Parson with navigation tabs for Acquisitions, Resources, Fulfillment, Admin, and Analytics. It includes a search bar, a 'Welcome' message, and a 'Tasks' section with items like 'Borrowing Requests' (22), 'Lending Requests' (1), 'Other Requests' (97), and 'Reading Lists' (270). A table lists active courses without published reading lists, with columns for Course Code, Course Instructor, Course Status, and Reading List Status. The Student View (right) shows a search interface for 'heart attack' with filters for 'All items', 'that contain my query words', and 'anywhere in the record'. It includes a search bar, a 'Sign in' button, and search results for 'Heart Attack' (The Cardiovascular System) and 'What Is a Heart Attack?' (Infobase, film distributor; Wellness Network (Firm)).

Features

- Easily manage digital and print technology
- Provides data and analytics to help streamline workflows
- Includes technical support from the system level
- Gives users a mobile, modern experience on a cloud-based platform
- Creates a unified library experience across participating colleges, including familiarizing students with the same library system platform as the CSU system

Benefits of participation

Participating in a shared system will bring added value to your college and resources to your students, including:

ACCESS TO RESOURCES

- Influence policy, procedures, and best practices in library enrichment and management.
- Receive professional development opportunities for specialized learning.
- Document library services in direct support of student success.

COST SAVINGS

- Leverage systemwide pricing for state-of-the-art technology.
- Reduce direct costs to colleges and the overall cost.
- Support textbook affordability and distance education.

SYSTEM SUPPORT

- Access expanded technical assistance and support from colleagues during migration.
- Further student equity and access to resources by employing a statewide system.
- Reduce workload by implementing identified best practices.



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