California Community Colleges | 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 included 11 vanguard colleges that completed a trial run of data migration and implementation in March 2019.

- Feedback from the vanguard colleges has already begun to inform revisions and enhancements to the process that will be used to bring all participating colleges on board.

- 110 colleges have joined the statewide implementation.

- The statewide implementation kicked off on February 1, 2019. All participating colleges will go live on the platform as a single cohort in December 2019.

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.

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

| 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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