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TSI (2012-2015) – Overview: To move from the exploratory to the implementation stage of 2CUL, it will be necessary to unify Columbia and Cornell technical services as much as possible, while retaining those local practices and workflows that must remain institution-specific. Crucial to this operation integration will be:

1. A thorough and systematic review of all existing technical services policies, practices, and workflows at each institution, with a view towards reconciling them as much as possible;
2. Development of 2CUL best practices, guidelines, and policies to undergird the integrated operation;
3. A re-definition of job responsibilities reflecting cross-institutional organizational structures through which unnecessary redundancy can be eliminated and harmonized workflows can be implemented to serve Cornell and Columbia jointly;
4. The reassigning/redeploying of staff at each institution to expand capacity in new areas;
5. The identification of competencies needed for success in this new environment and the requisite training and development opportunities for staff at both institutions;
6. The adoption of a new organizational/reporting structure and culture;
7. The creation of a formal 2CUL framework through which to exercise joint bargaining power in negotiating with vendors and other third parties for services and content.

Timeline: September 2012 – December 2015

(Source: 2CUL grant proposal submitted to Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, 30 August 2012)

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Technical Services Strategic Alliance (2016-): With the conclusion of the integrative work accomplished with the support of the three-year TSI Mellon grant, the Cornell and Columbia University Libraries are mainstreaming their technical services collaboration as a [2CUL Technical Services Strategic Alliance](#) beginning in January 2016. Meeting reports and other news related to this ongoing initiative will continue to be posted on this site.

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