

Occasional Progress Report #18 -- Sept. 23, 2015

Hi everyone:

Here are the latest developments concerning 2CUL TSI. This report, along with previous updates, is also available in the [Project Reports](#) section of the TSI wiki.

1. Columbia and Cornell e-resources staff went live on the ProQuest [Intota platform](#) last week. Intota is an improved interface for e-resource management workflow that relies on data already present in the ProQuest (formerly Serials Solutions) knowledgebase, a service which both institutions currently use. Intota promises improved e-resource management workflows and ease of use, along with COUNTER-based assessment for Cornell. Joint advanced training for all 2CUL e-resources staff (funded by the Mellon TSI grant) will take place at Columbia on Sept. 23-25.
2. Cornell's Adam Chandler met with Columbia's Matt Pavlick, Joan Jocson-Singh, Marjana Armstrong, Evelyn Ocken, Colleen Major, Melissa Goertzen, Gary Hausman, Peter Magierski, and Sarah Witte regarding current and future use of the Pre-Order Online Form (POOF!) in New York on Sept. 17th. Cornell is planning improvements and enhancements to this automated selection and acquisitions system ("POOF2"), including a redesigned user interface, and is seeking input from Columbia staff. Although supported by Cornell, POOF! is used jointly by both libraries.
3. The 2CUL TSI Print Serials Study is complete and now available, along with its accompanying data set, as an attachment under "Other Reports" on the [Project Reports, Milestones, and Other Planning Details](#) page on the TSI wiki. Although the study points out a few improvements and efficiencies that the libraries might pursue unilaterally, it is not particularly rich in 2CUL possibilities, especially since annual acquisition of print serials has been steadily decreasing. Kate and Jim wish to thank Columbia's Alan Schaplowsky and Cornell's Deb Warfield – along with a host of other 2CUL technical services and departmental library staff – for their contributions to this study.
4. The TSI Joint Senior Managers Integration Network (JSMIN) has begun discussion of how to mainstream 2CUL technical services after the Mellon-funded planning period is over (i.e. starting in January 2016). The group has presented its recommendations to 2CUL Project Directors, Xin Li and Bob Wolven, and this topic will be on the agenda for the next 2CUL Steering Committee meeting, which will take place at Cornell on Monday, Sept. 28.
5. Although not directly related to the Technical Services Initiative, we would like to announce that the 2CUL LMS Replacement Team (on which Jesse Koennecke and Mark Wilson serve as our tech services reps) has submitted its report and recommendations regarding the search for a next-generation LMS to the 2CUL Steering Committee. A discussion of these recommendations is on the agenda for the Steering Committee's meeting on Sept. 28.

As always, please feel free to direct questions or concerns to your supervisors or any member of the TSI Steering Committee: Adam Chandler, Kate Harcourt, Jim LeBlanc, Colleen Major, Chew Chiat Naun, or Robert Rendall.

– Jim and Kate