San José State University  
Academic Senate  
University Library Board  
May 13, 2019  
Final Reading  

AS 1744

Sense of the Senate Resolution  
In Support of Increased Funding for the California State University System Electronic Core Collection

Legislative History: On January 17-18, 2019, a resolution in support of increased funding for the Electronic Core Collection (ECC) passed the CSU Academic Senate unanimously as AS-3351-18/FGA/AA (Rev) -- see attached. The ECC is a bundle of electronic resources (see list below) shared by all CSU libraries. The ECC is funded directly by the Chancellor’s Office, but the allocation of $5 million has not increased since 2008.

WHEREAS: The ECC allows all CSU students access to materials no matter the size and budget of their campus, which in turn leads to their success. Further, the value of this collection helps campuses meet accreditation standards of WASC in information literacy and critical thinking. Fiscally, this is the most efficient way to maintain library collections because this combined purchasing power saves the CSU an estimated $15 million annually; and

WHEREAS: The ECC is reviewed annually by the systemwide Electronic Access to Resources (EAR) Committee for reduction and/or replacement of resources to ensure efficient use of funding; and

WHEREAS: The CSU Council of Library Directors (COLD) is faced with major cuts to the Electronic Core Collection (ECC) due to inflation and lack of funding increases, thereby damaging teaching, learning, research, and creative activities by faculty and students in the CSU; and

WHEREAS: The Academic Senate of San José State University strongly supports centralized funding of an Electronic Core Collection (ECC) of library information resources for all CSU campuses; and

WHEREAS: The Academic Senate recognizes that centralized acquisitions of electronic resources allow the CSU system to leverage its purchasing
power to negotiate costs that may be unachievable at the individual
campus; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate strongly supports increasing base ECC
funding: 1) to address resource cost inflation and prevent a reduction in
the number of ECC resources currently being offered; and 2) to allow
expansion of the ECC so that all CSU students and faculty, regardless of
campus affiliation, have access to a strong and diverse collection of
resources; be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be shared with the Chancellor; the Assistant Vice
Chancellor, Academic Technology Services; the CSU Academic Affairs
Council; The CSU Council of Library Directors (COLD); and the
committees charged with oversight and management of the ECC.

Approved: Monday, May 8, 2019
Vote: 9-0-0
Present: Taylor, Marachi, Tian, Barron, Smith, Harlan, Ramsour, Sasikumar,
Megwalu
Absent: Crudo, Roy, Gaylle
Financial Impact: None
Workload Impact: None

ADDENDUM:

The ECC is currently composed of the following resources:

ABI Inform (ProQuest)
Academic Search Premier (EBSCO)
Academic Complete eBooks (ProQuest)
American Chemical Society Journal Archives
American Council of Learned Societies America History and Life (EBSCO)
Biological Abstracts (Thomson) CINAHL (EBSCO)
Communication and Mass Media Complete (EBSCO)
CQ Researcher Digital Dissertations Package A (ProQuest)
Ethnic NewsWatch
GenderWatch
Global Newsstream (ProQuest)
Grove’s Music
JSTOR Arts and Sciences (12 collections)
Life Sciences Collection (JSTOR)
MathSciNet
Mergent Online Modern Language Association (EBSCO and ProQuest)
NetLibrary (EBSCO)
Oxford English Dictionary
Project Muse Standard Collection
PsycARTICLES (EBSCO and ProQuest)
PsycINFO (EBSCO and ProQuest)
Safari Tech Books (ProQuest)
Sociological Abstracts (ProQuest)
SpringerLink Online Historical Backfiles
SCOAP3 Westlaw: Campus Research – News and Life
Wiley Interscience Backfile
Wiley-Blackwell Backfile
ATTACHMENT: AS-3351-18/FGA/AA (Rev)