



Working together, COPPUL members leverage our collective expertise, resources, and influence, increasing capacity and infrastructure, to enhance learning, teaching, student experiences, and research at our institutions.

Strategic Directions 2016-2018

COPPUL will focus on three key areas: **Collaborative Collections**, **Digital Preservation**, and **Indigenous Knowledge**.

Collaborative Collections

COPPUL will embrace innovative ways of developing and managing collections that maximize our collective resources, leveraging both our purchasing power and our expertise in scholarly communication.

Strategies:

- Undertake an analysis of COPPUL collections that identifies unique collection strengths.
- Organize a symposium for COPPUL directors on Open Educational Resources, to inform future directions and initiatives in this area.
- Explore and recommend models for cross-COPPUL digitization on demand.
- Explore new licensing models that optimize benefits for our members.

Digital Preservation

COPPUL will develop digital preservation options for COPPUL members and will assume a leadership role in national discussions on digital preservation.

Strategies:

- Create a sustainable governance and funding model for the COPPUL Digital Preservation Network (DPN).
- Create online resources and provide educational and professional development opportunities to increase the capacity of COPPUL members to undertake digital preservation.
- Modernize the COPPUL Private LOCKSS Network (PLN) and provide other preservation storage and service options.
- Pursue agreements with allied organizations and programs to align COPPUL's preservation activities with other regional, national, and international initiatives.

Indigenous Knowledge

In collaboration with Indigenous (First Nations, Metis, and Inuit) librarians, library organizations, and elders, COPPUL members will support capacity building as well as effective and culturally responsive stewardship with respect to indigenous knowledge in our institutions and beyond.

Strategies:

- Establish an Indigenous Knowledge Task Group for the purposes of communication among members, to facilitate collaborative action, and to operationalize partnership initiatives.
- Create and maintain an inventory of Indigenous knowledge-related experts, programs, and services at COPPUL institutions.
- Organize a workshop on cultural property and protocol, organization, and stewardship of Indigenous knowledge.
- Develop and offer Indigenous cultural awareness opportunities for all library faculty and staff at COPPUL institutions to promote competency in regard to Canada's Indigenous Peoples.
- Explore recruitment support for Indigenous library workers.
- Provide suggestions, timeline, and framework for the implementation of the Truth & Reconciliation Commission (TRC) recommendations for libraries, archives, and museums in COPPUL institutions.