



Legislative Update

Higher Education
Appropriations Subcommittee

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Delicate Arch. (1940) Al Watkins Morton Photograph Collection. Mountain West Digital Library.

Who we are

Founded in 1971 to cooperate and enhance resources provided for Utah's higher education communities.

UALC supports the teaching, learning, and research of those served by our institutions using economies of scale in order to enhance faculty and student success, economic development, and statewide initiatives.





Membership

All public and not-for-profit private academic libraries in accredited institutions of higher education in the State of Utah.



FY2019 Legislative Appropriation

Base funding, with additional \$800,000 allocated last year: \$3,410,000

Higher Education Technology Initiative (HETI)
Funding: \$254,714

Total: \$3,644,714

FY2019 Budget

- **Information Resources: \$1,946,008**
Shared purchases/licenses of mainly electronic databases and fulltext journals.
- **Institutional Allocation: \$1,594,802**
Allocated by formula (student and faculty FTE) to strengthen collections at each institution to meet mission critical needs.
- **Resource sharing: \$33,904**
To promote library-to-library service where items held in one library can be borrowed for a user from another cooperating library (Interlibrary Loan).
- **Mountain West Digital Library: \$90,000**
To promote preservation and free digital access to historical records and the cultural heritage of Utah and the Mountain West.



Principles for collective purchases

- Establish and sustain **a common core of resources** for all Utah higher education students.
- Support access to **specialized resources** that meet specific institutional and statewide priorities, such as workforce preparation in engineering, health care, business, and tourism.
- Create a **sustainable shared information environment**.

New Resources Acquired 2018 - 2019

Nursing Health and Wellness

- CINAHL Complete
- Nursing Reference Center Plus
- New England Journal of Medicine
- Journal of the American Medical Association

Engineering

- American Society of Mechanical Engineers Periodicals
- IEEE Electronic Library (electrical engineering and computer science)
- Academic Search Ultimate
- Scopus

Computer Science and Information Technology

- IEEE Electronic Library (electrical engineering and computer science)
- Academic Search Ultimate
- Scopus

Business, Hospitality and Tourism

- Academic Search Ultimate
- Scopus

Impact

Savings

- Collective purchases savings: \$254,000 (estimate)
- Average discount on new subscriptions in FY19: 48%

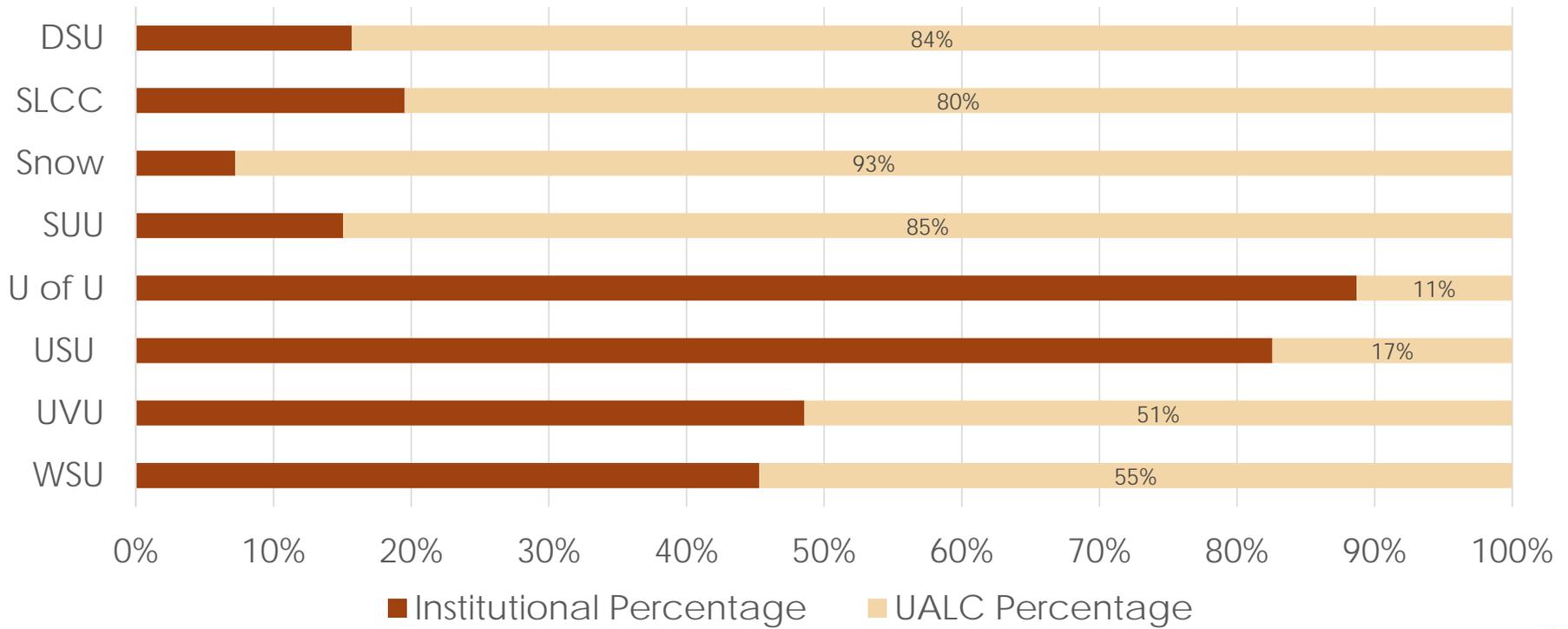
Additional resources for FY19

- Nine new databases and collections
- More than 8,000 additional fulltext electronic journal subscriptions

Use

Downloads in FY18: 3,375,744

Additive Impact of UALC Collective Resource Purchases



Stories

Emma, an engineering student at Snow College shared this story about a UALC resource.

"I used the database to write an article about women in engineering when applying for a scholarship renewal. It was a topic that was hard to find data regarding current trends because women are fairly new to that occupation. The database was helpful to me because I was able to find articles that fit my argument and they were really easy to save for the next time I need them."

Stories

Faculty at the University of Utah College of Nursing already had this to say about the new NRC+ and CINAHL Complete databases:

"I love how this encourages my students to access the original research."

"It encourages students to learn nursing competency skills, critical thinking skills and communication skills. This results in better, more prepared nurses, and ultimately better care and outcomes for patients. Well done!"

"I LOVE the nursing skills videos. They're great both in the classroom and in our simulated clinical environment."

"Wow! So much more full-text available. Very helpful when teaching my students how to search the literature and evaluate the results. Thanks for adding!"



The Future

- Sustainability plan: budgeting for inflation.
- Annual review to ensure ongoing support for strategic workforce needs.
- Supporting USHE strategic goals:
 - Affordability and access
 - Growth in strategic areas
 - High quality credentials

Thank You

Questions?

