

## TDL CONSORTIA MEMBERSHIP (General)

### PURPOSE and SCOPE OF POLICY

This document sets general policy for how multiple institutions may join as a Consortia Member of the Texas Digital Library, as defined in the TDL Bylaws, Article III, Section IV.

This policy excludes university systems that may wish to join as a Consortia Member. A separate policy document “University Systems as Consortia” covers this case.

### EFFECTIVE DATE

The policy was approved by the TDL Governing Board on May 11, 2018.

### PARTNERSHIP

Consortium members would pay a discounted per-institution membership fee + normal annual fees for the services the consortium chooses.

One member, or an umbrella organization, must be willing to act as the “agent” of the consortium and point of contact to TDL for contracting and invoicing.

The consortium would participate as a full, or “regular”, member of the Texas Digital Library consortium as a single entity.

### BENEFITS

Benefits of consortial membership to Texas Digital Library include:

- Full governance rights of a single Regular member; consortial members are asked to elect a single representative to the TDL Member Board.
- Digital Preservation Network (DPN) access (a value of \$20,000 per institution)

Staff and faculty of member libraries have full access to member benefits of Texas Digital Library:

- Discounted registration to Texas Conference on Digital Libraries (25% off non-member price)
- Access to other TDL discounts (Digital Preservation Management Workshop, DataCite membership, etc.)
- Access to pool of experts at member libraries, members-only training, and professional development events
- Opportunities to participate in working groups and committees

### COST

The fee structure for Regular and Consortial members has two parts:

1. Fee based on membership category
2. Fee(s) for services used

Three to five (3-5) academic libraries joining as a consortium would receive a 20% discount on membership fees and pay the full annual fee for any service module subscribed to.

More than five academic libraries joining as a consortium could receive a larger discount on membership fees.

Below is the breakdown of cost for a hypothetical Consortial Membership for three universities, subscribing to the Digital Repository Service as a consortium (i.e. a single shared DSpace Repository).

Consortial member	Institution Category	Discounted Membership Fee (20% discount)	Digital Repository Service (<250 GB of storage)
University A	Master’s Granting	<del>\$10,000</del> \$8,000	\$7,000
University B	Baccalaureate (would fall in “private liberal arts” category)	<del>\$5,000</del> \$4,000	
University C	Baccalaureate (would fall in “private liberal arts” category)	<del>\$5,000</del> \$4,000	
Total Annual Fee for the Consortium: \$23,000 (A one-time set-up fee of \$2,000 for the repository service would be assessed at the start of service on-boarding.)			