The Large-Scale Digitization Working Group is an oversight and coordinating group charged with the activities and responsibilities outlined below. The group's work is carried out in consultation and collaboration with the Digital Services and Development Unit, CAPT, CAM, the Preservation Department, the Systems Office, the Office of Collections, and IDEALS. The group’s membership reflects the collaborative nature of its work and responsibilities.

Planning, Outreach, & Coordination:

- To plan and coordinate the Library’s participation in mass digitization efforts such as the Open Content Alliance.
- To oversee the appropriate expenditure of state, campus, and library funds that are designated for digitization activities.
- To document costs involved in all aspects of mass digitization to serve as the basis for securing future funding and staff resources.
- To promote digital conversion of Library resources, harness existing expertise, and develop additional in-house expertise in digital content creation and services.
- To assist others on campus planning digitization projects to ensure that digital content is developed, stored and delivered according to best practices.

Content selection:

- To develop content selection criteria for digital conversion of the Library’s collections to guide currently funded projects and to serve as a springboard for the development of long-term criteria.

Standards & Best practices:

- To identify and ensure the implementation at UIUC Library of best practices for digitization and metadata creation that address both access and preservation concerns.

Access:

- To explore and begin developing integrated access to UIUC owned and/or created digital content via an OAI-PMH Web portal, and to roll-out a prototype of such a portal during Fall 2006.

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