

## Announcement

### Invitation to Collaborate with North/Nord: The Canadian Shared Print Network

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Established in 2021, *North: the Canadian Shared Print Network/ Nord: Réseau canadien de conservation partagée des documents imprimés* (North/Nord) is guided by a Steering Committee composed of representatives from its funding consortia, including the Council of Atlantic Academic Libraries (CAAL). While shared print initiatives have existed in Canada for some time, North/Nord is the country's only national shared print network operating across academic, public, and government libraries.

Through coordinated, distributed stewardship, North/Nord identifies, retains, and archives physical collections across regions, ensuring that Canada's scholarly and cultural record remains preserved and accessible. This national scope is critical: it enables institutions to move beyond isolated collection management toward a cohesive, collaborative approach that strengthens long-term preservation capacity across the country.

As the landscape of higher education, public service, and information access continues to evolve, North/Nord remains committed to adapting its services thoughtfully and strategically. By remaining responsive to emerging needs while staying grounded in its [Mission & Vision](#), North/Nord is positioned to support sustainable collection management and collective stewardship well into the future.

As we build a robust ecosystem through collaboration, **North/Nord would like to invite future collaborators and working group members from Atlantic Canada to engage with us in one or more of the following ways:**

- By joining one of our working groups (current projects are listed [online](#))
- Submitting your expression of interest in being our next Researcher-in-Residence
- Getting in touch to discuss a project idea you have (contact [kpereyaslavskaya@coppul.ca](mailto:kpereyaslavskaya@coppul.ca))

In an increasingly uncertain global environment, there is much that lies beyond our control. What we *can* control, however, is how we steward and safeguard Canada's scholarly and cultural record. By prioritizing coordinated preservation of Canadian research materials and strengthening national stewardship capacity, we ensure that these resources remain accessible regardless of external pressures.

Through distributed retention and shared responsibility, North/Nord reduces reliance on single institutions or single points of failure. This coordinated approach enables a more agile and collective response to crises, whether geopolitical, environmental, or economic. By working together to manage risk and preserve what matters most, we strengthen institutional and national resilience—ensuring that Canada's research materials are protected, accessible, and sustainably managed for the long term.