

## **THE POWER OF 37**

The Orbis Cascade Alliance, an exemplary academic library consortium, is a vital partner in advancing transformative learning and research and creating equity in higher education.





The Alliance enables broader and more equitable access to information and resources to **282,560 students, faculty and staff** in Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

In electronic resources, the Alliance delivers almost \$15 of value for every \$1 invested.

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\$125.8 million in content delivered for \$8.4 million (FY2019)





Our shared investment in library management and discovery systems **saved almost \$8 million in costs.** 

The shared courier service saves \$586,463 in shipping costs annually.

The Alliance provides a suite of technology, content and delivery services for \$19/FTE.



# In FY2019 that included:

- **170,078** electronic books
- **46,939,554** library items
- **310** electronic resources
- 37,663 digital archival guides
- 215,911 items delivered to 90 drop sites

### With the Power of 37 we:

- **Fill skill and capacity gaps** at individual member libraries.
- Expand access to expertise and assistance that are typically available only at larger institutions to small- and mid-sized institutions.
- **Develop software,** tools and other resources.
- **Collectively manage, advocate for, and negotiate** contracts with suppliers for better costs and terms.
- Increase time for member libraries to provide direct services to our users by reducing effort to manage system functions, data loads and product implementations
- Collectively investigate, evaluate, select and implement new technology and service solutions.
- Offer low-cost access to professional development opportunities including networking and education on library innovation and best practices.

"In the Alliance, we share knowledge and work together to get more done, creating a true cost-saving collaborative environment equalizing service for all."

- Alliance Member

In all things Orbis Cascade
Alliance will: collaborate for
shared benefit, value shared
innovation, be intentional, and
act with integrity and respect.

#### **Areas of focus:**



Improve access to information



Strengthen member institutions



Equip students for success



Inspire knowledge creation

### **Orbis Cascade Alliance Members**

Central Oregon Community College Central Washington University Chemeketa Community College Clackamas Community College Clark College Eastern Oregon University Eastern Washington University George Fox University Lane Community College Lewis & Clark College Linfield College Mt. Hood Community College Oregon Health & Science University Oregon Institute of Technology Oregon State University Pacific University Portland Community College Portland State University

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Saint Martin's University Seattle Pacific University Seattle University Southern Oregon University The Evergreen State College University of Idaho University of Oregon University of Portland University of Puget Sound University of Washington Walla Walla University Warner Pacific University Washington State University Western Oregon University Western Washington University Whitman College Whitworth University Willamette University

