Let's Talk About E-Books: A Conversation Between Publishers & Libraries

2015 LibTech Conference

Aaron Albertson

Instruction & Research Librarian, Social Sciences/Macalester College

Maura Diamond

Executive Licensing Manager, North America College Market/Springer

Whitney Murphy

Product Manager, MyiLibrary®/Ingram Content Group

MACALESTER COLLEGE   Springer   INGRAM. | COUTTS INFORMATION SERVICES

Access & Discovery

- There should be no limits and no additional costs related to the number of times an e-book can be accessed over time.

- Content should be downloadable and accessible on multiple, standard-use platforms and devices.

- No patron data should be used or shared if it allows for the identification of an individual without the individual's permission.

- An option for allowing unlimited simultaneous users, for short-term or long-term periods of time, should be offered at fair prices.

- Accompanying metadata should be allowable in library systems and discovery layers.

- Meet ADA accessibility requirements, including allowing the use of text-to-speech engines.

Ownership

- Libraries should be able to control the parameters of circulation functions: loan periods, renewals, recalls, etc. This includes libraries limiting access to a single user at a time if the content is not authorized for multi-simultaneous users.

- There should be options for archival and perpetual access. This could be accomplished by license agreements, facilitated through a 3rd party, or by selling content outright to libraries.

- Libraries should have the option to purchase titles individually, separate from a bundled package.

Sharing

- Libraries must be able to lend the entire contents of ebooks to other libraries in a manner that is not cumbersome to our operations and patrons.

- Sharing?: Electronic transfer of content between libraries should be permitted to facilitate efficiencies and minimization of paper usage.

- Copy, paste, and print functionality should be available.

Let's Talk About E-Books: A Conversation Between Publishers & Libraries

- Access & Discovery

- Ownership

- Sharing

For more information about Macalester College's "E-Book Rights Advocacy", visit http://goo.gl/PzRjMB.

Macalester College E-Book Rights Advocacy Statements

- Copy, paste, and print functionality should be available.
- Accompanying metadata should be allowable in library systems and discovery layers.
- Meet ADA accessibility requirements, including allowing the use of text-to-speech engines.

- http://goo.gl/PzRjMB