

## **SHARES Reciprocal On-Site Borrowing Pilot -- September 1, 2018 - August 31, 2019**

### **Reasons to Participate**

1. Participating in the pilot is an easy win: goodwill points with patrons with minimal administrative overhead.
2. Reciprocal onsite borrowing gives our patrons more options for accessing the material they want in a manner that appeals to them.
3. Many SHARES institutions are already involved in successful reciprocal onsite borrowing arrangements.
4. Experience shows that patrons follow the rules and books come back.
5. Numbers, especially during the pilot, will be low and impact on local workflows minimal.
6. Participating will strengthen consortia ties with other institutions.
7. The status and good standing of visiting patrons will be confirmed by the home institution before borrowing onsite will be allowed.
8. The basic SHARES “trusted partner” contract will be in force throughout the pilot.

### **SHARES Reciprocal On-Site Borrowing Pilot Agreement**

Institutions participating in the SHARES Reciprocal Onsite Borrowing Pilot agree to provide reciprocal borrowing privileges to faculty, graduate students, staff, and sponsored undergraduates affiliated with SHARES institutions that are also participating in the pilot project. Borrowers must be vetted beforehand by the home institution confirming the status and good standing of the patron. The libraries agree to provide borrowing through this agreement, for the duration of the year-long pilot, according to local circulation policies for guest borrowers.

### **Eligibility**

Faculty, graduate students, staff, and sponsored undergraduates at SHARES Pilot institutions who have home library's accounts in good standing are eligible for guest borrowing privileges, as established by the lending library.

Patrons will be asked to participate in a follow-up interview or survey for pilot assessment purposes.

### **Costs**

There is no cost for reciprocal borrowing privileges; however, borrowing patrons may be charged late return fees and lost item fees according to the lending libraries' policies.

### **Fiduciary Responsibility**

Guest borrowers who do not comply with timely return policies may forfeit further borrowing with all SHARES pilot institutions.

Libraries will confer when problems with patrons arise, in the usual SHARES manner. Institutions might be asked to place local restrictions on delinquent patrons.

### **Anticipated Usage**

Rough approximation of 10-20 users per year.