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From: Alliance Alma Enhancements Working Group (wquidry@pugetsound.edu)
To: [Alliance Institutional ELUNA Representatives](#)

Subject: ELUNA Alma Enhancements Voting Recommendations Round 2 – 2015

UPDATE! (July 29, 2015; 5pm)

Please note that this version of the recommendation supercedes the version previously circulated, as the original version contained some transposing errors in the ID# column.

The Alliance Alma Enhancements Working Group presents below its official Alliance voting recommendations for the 2nd Round of the 2015 ELUNA Alma Enhancements voting.

As per the [Alliance ELUNA Task Group recommendation](#) approved by the Alliance Board of Directors in January, **each institution is *required* to vote 70 of their 100 points on the ELUNA ballot as shown in the recommendations table below.** Institutions can then vote their remaining 30 points in any way desired. Following this recommendation is essential in maximizing the Alliance's voice in this enhancement cycle.

This recommendation balances the broad needs of the Alliance membership, as represented by the results of the internal voting and Round 1 voting, with the mechanics of the ELUNA enhancement process. The mechanics of the process use as inputs both the voting totals within NERS, and a weighted assessment of development costs for each enhancement request as determined by Ex Libris.

Specific to the recommendation for this 2nd round voting, the Alma Enhancement Working Group focused its recommendation on a small number of ballot candidates, and withheld recommendation for the two most “expensive” enhancement requests, as determined by Ex Libris. By limiting the number of enhancement requests on this recommendation, we increase the probability that these Alliance-recommended enhancement requests are addressed by Ex Libris. By leaving out the two most expensive requests (custom user roles, and an increase in the number of rows simultaneously exportable from Analytics), we can help maximize the quantity of enhancement requests that will ultimately be addressed by Ex Libris.

As noted above, your institution has available 30 points to vote in any way you feel most benefits your library.

To vote, each institutional ELUNA representative should log into the NERS – Ex Libris Product Enhancement Request Voting System, at <http://ners.igelu.org>, using their institutional ELUNA account.

After logging in, click “Alma Enhancement Vote 2015 (Round 2)” under “Active Elections.” You will be presented with the complete list of ELUNA enhancement final candidates for 2015. Assign your 70 Alliance points based on the table below, and the remaining 30 institutional points as desired.

Please vote by Friday, August 7, 2015, 5pm!

If you have questions regarding the recommendation or the voting process, please email: wguidry@pugetsound.edu.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in this important effort.

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The Voting Recommendations

ID #	Description	Points
3779	Resource Management: Ability to Search All MARC fields and subfields	10
3961	General: Ability to export more than 5,000 rows to Excel	10
3858	Fulfillment: We need hourly overdue notices for hourly loans	10
4057	General: Expand Repository Advanced Search Options	10
3793	Electronic Resources: Export URLs regardless of how they are stored in Alma	10
3723	General: Allow customization of patron anonymization job in Alma	10
3697	Acquisitions: View receiving notes at point of receiving	10

*Note that this enhancements process is not the only feeder of Alma development requests to Ex Libris. The Alliance is currently engaged with Ex Libris in the Center of Excellence initiative and consortium-specific functionality beyond resource sharing (including support for Network Zone record load scenarios and consortial Analytics) will be delivered through this work.