Within the last 10 years, technology has forged a global information commons. The convergence of improved digital communication methods, the rapid rise of social media, the growing amount of digitally available information, and the emergence of big data now offer unlimited opportunities for participation, engagement, convergence, and discovery around the world. Today’s federal librarians know they must take advantage of these digital developments and integrate technologies and a global perspective into the basic library processes of acquisition, cataloging, preservation, and reference services.

Information professionals will need to develop efficient methods and global thinking to

- provide access to the massive content of global digital materials to ensure collections are universal, balanced, and authentic;
- encourage information literacy and support trans-disciplinary and international research;
- acquire and organize content, whether in print or digital form, using new technologies and new descriptive methods;
- improve access to all content, but especially previously undiscoverable materials and
- work with information creators and others to create accessible knowledge repositories.

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