

Strategy 3: PRESERVATION

Ensure information relevant to our community is preserved and utilized through our archives, government publications and digital initiatives.

GOAL: To protect materials that might otherwise be lost for future generations of researchers.

ACTIONS

- Ensure the long-term preservation of the University Libraries archives and the other rare and unique materials it houses.
- Uphold and enhance our obligations as the National Preservation Steward for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the government records of the State of Rhode Island as well as our retention commitments to the Eastern Academic Scholars' Trust.
- Work to preserve balance in historic and new information sources in all subject areas.
- Acquire a digital preservation system to ensure the safeguarding of new "born-digital materials."
- Acquire and maintain environmental modification systems designed to mitigate the deterioration of at-risk materials.
- Collaborate with other stakeholders in the state and region.