





The Move to a Web-Based Client with Sierra Web

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London Public Library



- Population: 380,000
- Active patrons: 166,396
- Libraries/branches: 16
- Annual circ: 3.7 million
- Volumes: 868,000





Sierra Web Development Project

Launch of Project: March 24, 2016

Timeline Goal: Soft launch by January 1, 2017

Development Continuing



Sierra Web Development Team

- Chenglim Ear, Software Engineer, iii
- Eeva Stierwalt, London Public Library
- Deirdre Stretton, Sierra Web Product Owner, iii

London Public Library

- Sierra Web Testing Team Staff from:
 - OutReach
 - Serials Checkin
 - Acquisitions & Cataloguing
 - Circulation (Visiting Library)





Sierra Web Development Plan

Main Goal:

Roll out of Sierra Web in real world scenario with multiple users

Proposed Result for LPL:

System-wide Launch of Sierra Web

Communication:

Email and Phone direct between iii engineer and Eeva





Sierra Web Development Process Plan

Weekly Updates:

Immediate fixes where possible Roll backs also possible if update causes a problem

Start with

1 Tester

1 Sierra Workflow: Serials Checkin

Apply following Phase's to each Sierra Workflow:

Phase I: Bug free related software

Phase II: Small roll out to 5 users

Phase III: Add more users (when iii is ready) and Launch





Sierra Web Development Focus for Testers

- 1. Any existing Bugs in SDA will be in Sierra Web
- 2. Incorrect behaviour different than before
- 3. Glitches: UI is different (rendering engine not perfect)
- 4. Usability: Constraints due to web browser
- 5. System Stability: Relating to multiple users



Sierra Web Workflows Tested

- Serials Checkin
- Acquisitions (& some Cataloguing)
- Circulation (in-house and out-reach)

Still to be tested

- Circulation (cont'd)
- Cataloguing and Authority Control
- Record loading
- Program Registration
- Admin & Stats



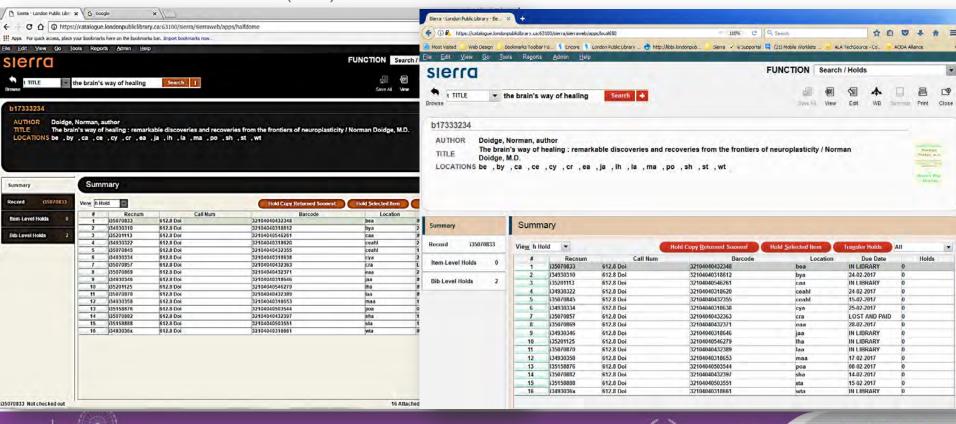


Sierra Web Faces

Half Dome (3.1)

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Glacier Point

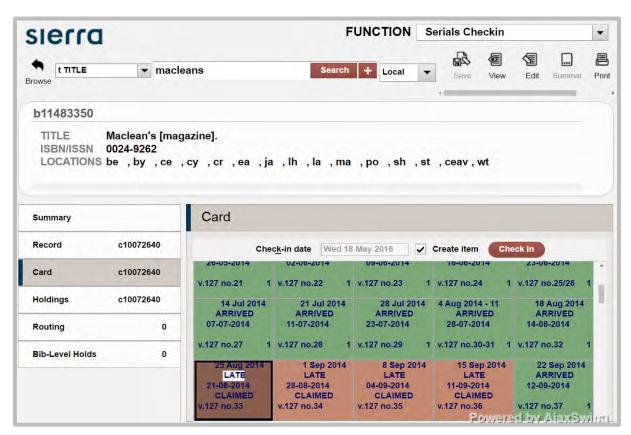


Sierra Web Serials Checkin



Sierra Web Serials Checkin Workflow

- *Serials Checkin
- Routing
- Claiming
- Send Claims
- *Create Lists
- Rapid Update
- Statistics
- Vendors





Sierra Web Serials Checkin

- 1 Staff member to begin with
- LARGE font requirement
- Google Chrome Browser (Firefox not yet supported)
- Sierra Glacier Point (Half Dome view available later)
- User Preferences and Settings need to be re-set



Serials Checkin Issues Resolved

- Preferences Edit: font size customization
- Faint Font:
 - Grayed out fields
 - Pull down menu for: Functions, Checkin Summary "View" (items, order, hold..)
- Highlighting not visible: Top tool bar (File, Edit, etc.):
- Ajax Swing Footer at bottom of screen
- Focus not in box/window
- Keyboard delete key doesn't delete a box in checkin card
- Menu shortcuts (eg. alt Go, alt Circulation, alt Check-in)





Serials Checkin Issues Resolved

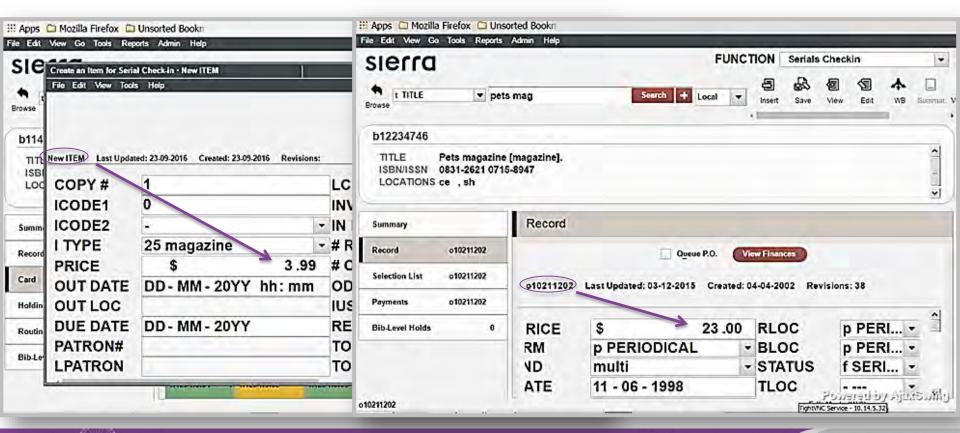
- Screen Real estate:
 - Summary and checkins on right: not enough room to display
- Frequent session time-outs
- The Preserve Sort feature under Edit doesn't work
- Half Dome skin
- Item template doesn't keep the price in the Item Price fixed field when we type it in, it ignores the decimal (\$4.99 becomes \$499) and it displays to the right of the field







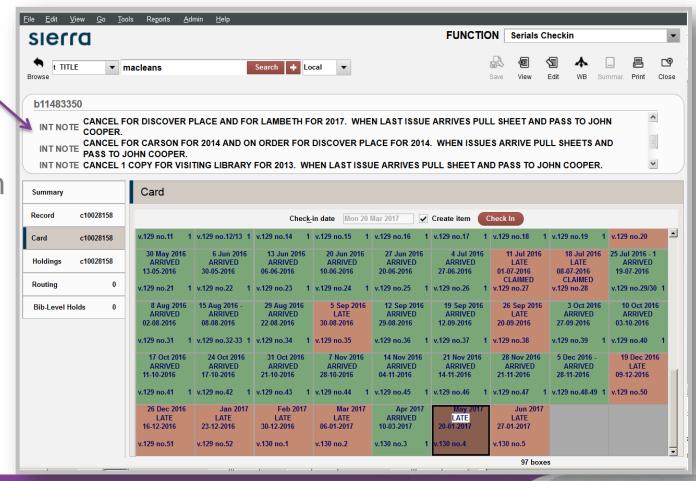
Serials Checkin Issue Resolved: Price





Issue Fixed

Checkin
Internal notes
don't display with
checkin card

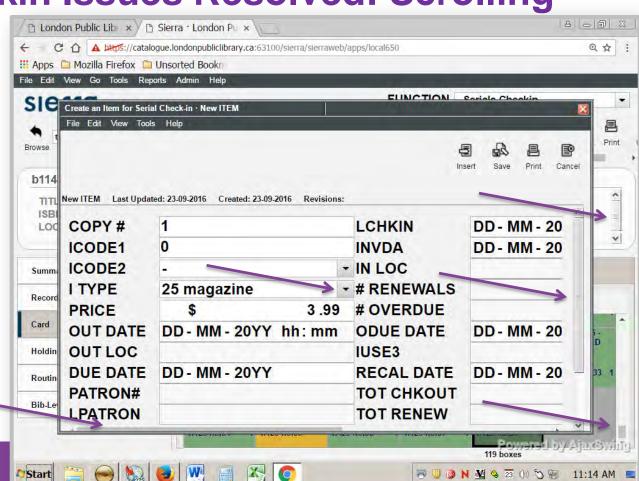




Serials Checkin Issues Resolved: Scrolling

Scroll bar

- bounces
- jumps in dropdown
- unable to get to bottom





Serials Checkin Outstanding Issues

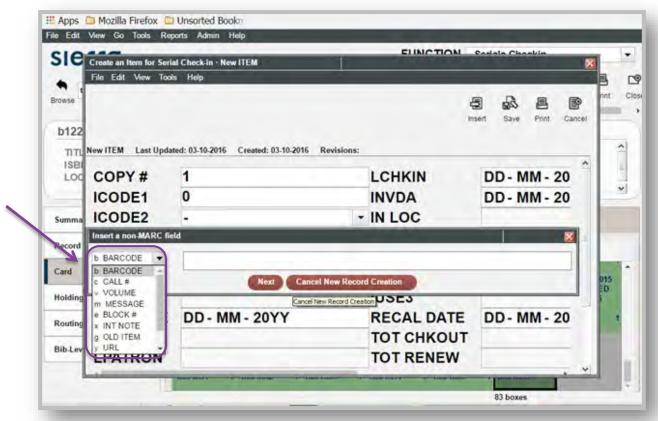
- Performance: Slow Response (2 to 20 seconds)
 - 20 seconds to save a record (causes us to click YES multiple times)
 - Double click to close message windows
- Overwrite in fixed field, focus at end (e.g. price field)
- Tool|Box Menu requires click to get next menu v.s. just hover
- Scrolling still 'clunky' and delayed

More





Faint Text in Dropdown of varfield: Item Template





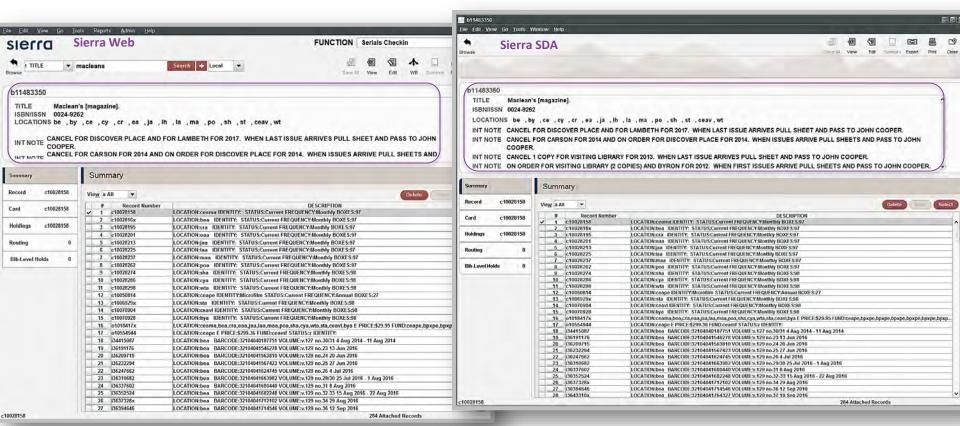
Hotkeys, macros, ctrl, enter, etc. = inconsistent functionality

- Alt t opens Tools in Sierra
- Alt t opens Tools in browser
- Alt b opens Box Menu in Sierra
- Alt b opens Bookmarks in browser





Sierra Web Serials Checkin Real Estate





Sierra Web Acquisitions



Sierra Web Acquisitions Workflow

*Orders

*Change Eprice

Claim/Cancel Orders

Foreign Currency

Print/Send Orders

Create Lists

*Receive

*Data Exchange

*Pay an Invoice

Selection List

*Import Invoices

Rapid Update

*Browse Invoices

Statistics

*Output Vouchers

Vendor Statistics

Print Vouchers

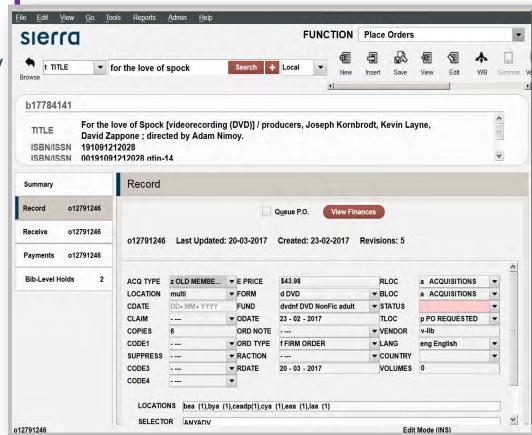
Status Reports

Vendors

Fiscal Close

Funds

Delete Records





Sierra Web Acquisitions

- 1 Staff member to begin with
- Google Chrome Browser and Firefox
- Sierra Glacier Point and Half Dome
- User Preferences and Settings need to be re-set
- No Multi-Windows Mode



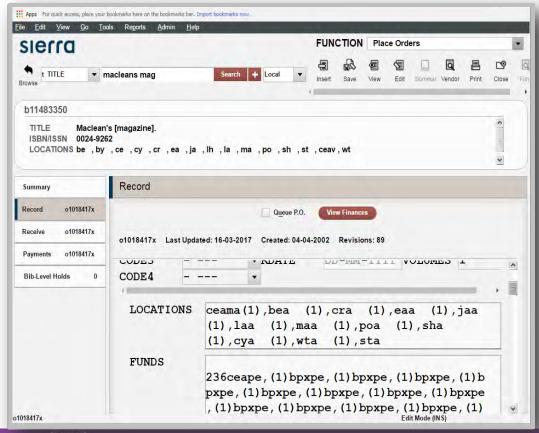
Acquisitions Issues Resolved

- Multi Windows work-around
 - Create multiple Chrome 'personas'
 https://support.google.com/chrome/answer/2364824?co=GENIE.Platform%3D
 Desktop&hl=en
 - Log in required to each
- Menu shortcuts (eg. alt <u>Go</u>, alt Circ<u>u</u>lation, alt <u>Check-in</u>)
- Add a MARC field after 008 in Bib by selecting Enter





Acquisitions Screen Real Estate: Order Display



Order record locations and funds display

- SDA shows it all
- Web shows little without scrolling
- Now it shows all



Sierra Web Acquisitions Outstanding Issues

In FireFox:

- font is much larger than in Chrome
- ctrl + and ctrl only work if applied in URL window

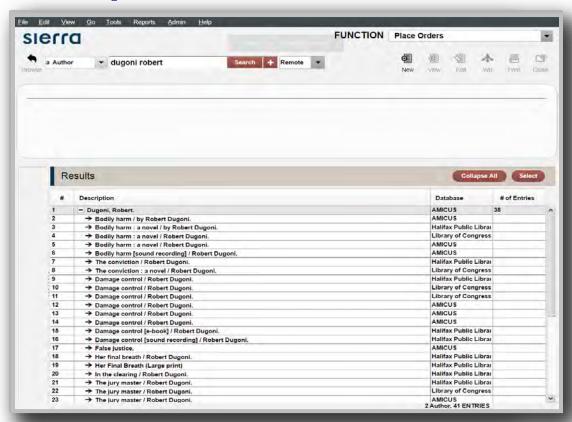
Performance:

- 2 people working = 15 min+ delays in record template prompts for variable fields
- Extra double clicks required (e.g. twice to display record causing extra clicks)
- Posting Register printing to FTS File Save = 10+seconds for 'printout OK' message
- Processing invoice = 8 seconds to pull up Approvals window
- Voucher Output = 7 second delay after selecting start
- Multi Windows not working and work-around not perfect





Acquisitions Multi Windows: Remote Search



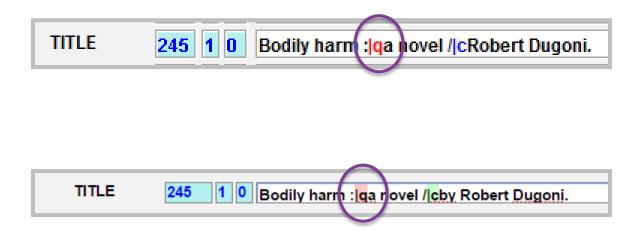
- Remote SearchResults
- Click on specific result title
- Close bib
- Back to original search screen v.s. back to remote results



Acquisitions Subfield Delimiters in Colour

Marc bibliographic display should have sub-field delimiters in red when the delimiter is incorrect and blue when correct.

Sierra Web background colour works for sub-fields



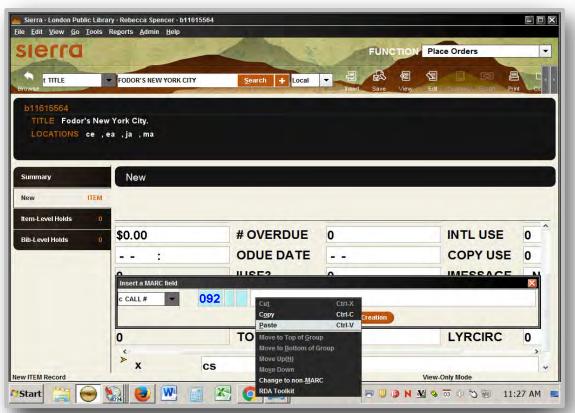
Sierra Web Acquisitions Outstanding Issues

- Overwrite and having focus to the right
- Hotkeys, macros, ctrl, Enter: inconsistent functionality
- Overwrite and focus on ITYPE/numeric fixed fields: we like to type code
 - Selecting Next after ITYPE problem leaves drop down "Ghost display" covering next field
- Data Exchange files open at top of file v.s. at bottom (e.g. invoice register)
- Select All and Copy in Data Exchange: Ctrl a and ctrl c produces java script error





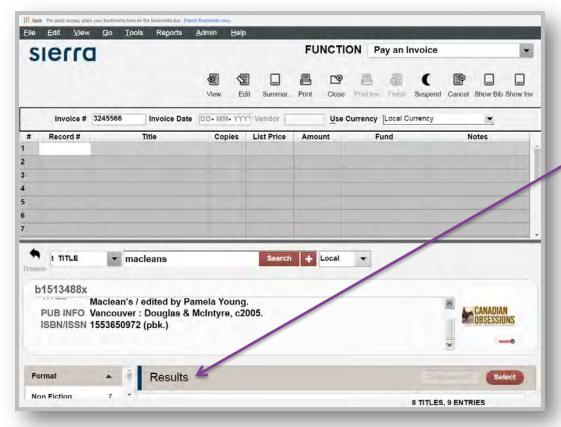
ACQ Copy and paste problems using right click



- Right click to copy call#
- Right click to paste into new call# field doesn't work
- Ctrl v to paste does work
- Right click works in SDA



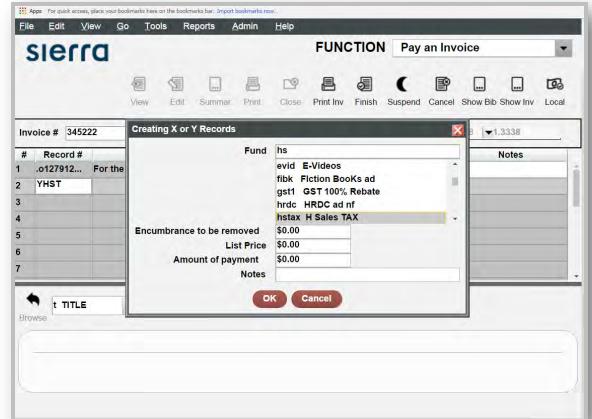
Acquisitions Screen Real Estate: Pay an Invoice



- Key an invoice and search
- Get results but can't even scroll!



Acquisitions Populate window with data selected



- In pop-up window, enter hs to find the correct fund
- Click on the fund
- Fund name does not populate the window

Proposals for change to Sierra Acquisitions

- New Shortcut to Summary from record display
- Ability to GET more that one Edifact invoice at a time from a vendor in Import Invoices





Sierra Web Circulation



Sierra Web Circulation

Visiting Library for Homebound Patrons

- 1 Staff member to begin with, then added 2
- Place items on holdshelf, checkout, checkin, printing
- Google Chrome Browser
- Sierra Glacier Point and Half Dome

OutReach

- Several staff, different locations
- Register new patrons, checkout, renew, place and cancel holds
- No printing





Sierra Web Circulation Issues Resolved

- New Patron Record Template stops at Address field
- FireFox "ghost text" remaining in search boxes
- Circ Desk Item View "Grayed Out"
- Menu shortcuts (eg. alt Go, alt Circulation, alt Check-in)



Sierra Web Circulation Outstanding Issues

- Barcode Wanding (Performance?)
 - Part or all of number continues to display in next window
 - Partial display
 - Errors
 - Random numbers
- Session Data Crossover with multiple simultaneous users
- Create Lists 'ghosted lists'
- Macros = definite showstopper in Circ

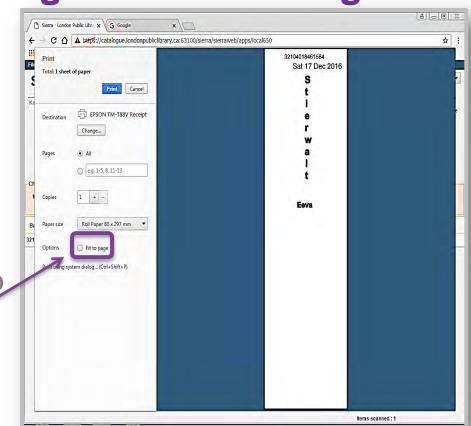




Circulation Outstanding Issues: Printing

- Hold Pickup Wrappers
- Date Due Slips
- Receipts

- Only works in Chrome
- Dialogue pops up for each slip
- Untick Option: Fit to Page





Circulation Outstanding Issues: Printing

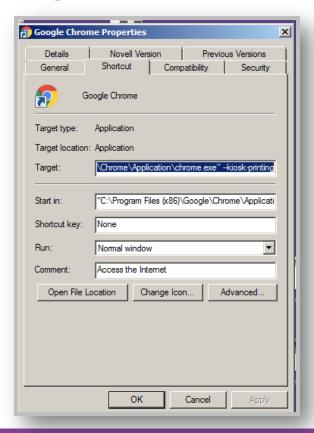
No need to switch between printers?

Skip the Dialogue with Chrome Kiosk Printing:
In Chrome windows shortcut, add "--kiosk-printing" to target

Target: "C:\Program Files (x86)\Google\Chrome\Application\chrome.exe" --kiosk-printing



Chrome Target has --kiosk printing





Circulation Printing: Print Template Date Due Slip

SIERRA

12/15/2016

700

London Public Library Date Due Receipt

Check due dates to avoid late charges. Return items to any London Public Library location. Renew items online: http://encore.londonpubliclibrary.ca OR by phone: 519-661-4600.

ALERT: Central Library hours during construction at: http://www.lpl. ca/centralrenew/alerts

Items checked out to

Stierwalt, Eeva, (Test Card)

TITLE

1612 Italian vespers [compact disc] / I Fagiolini.

BARCODE

32104037700939

DUE DATE

05-Jan-2017

Thank you for visiting the library!

SIERRA WEB

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Clarity of text lacking

Date Due Slip different formatting: larger font?

Truncated at bottom





Printing: Print Template Hold Wrapper

- Does NOT print with Kiosk printing
- Prints with Dialogue Printing
- Be sure to untick Dialogue Option: Fit to Page



Sierra WebShowstoppers



Sierra Web Showstoppers

- 1. Performance
- 2. Session Data Crossover with simultaneous users
- 3. Hotkeys and Macros
- 4. Printing
- 5. Scrolling
- 6. Screen Real estate
- 7. Overwrite and having focus to the right (Fixed Fields)
- 8. Ability to copy and paste using right click menu AND ctrl a, ctrl c, ctrl v



Sierra Web Client Security/Privacy



Sierra Web Security and Privacy

- Web Client = need to tighten up security
- Public Service = 'generic' Shared Logins
- Permissions and turn-over of staff
- Risk Analysis: main concern is external access

SOLUTION

Limit Network Access: block external access by generic logins





Sierra WebOutReach Implementation



Sierra Web Implementation: OutReach Circulation

- Sierra SDA = HEAVY Client = not a WIFI partner
- Sierra Web = LIGHT Client = GOOD WIFI partner

- Patron Registration
- Updating Patron Accounts
- Lending Items

LPL OutReach Staff LOVE Sierra Web!







THANK YOU!

Questions?

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