The following is a list of activities and reports carried out by the Program for Cooperative Cataloging since ALA Midwinter 2019.

Additional information is available from the PCC web page: www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/

The PCC has formed the Task Group on Metadata Application Profiles (MAPs). The task group is charged with helping the PCC understand issues and practices associated with the management of MAPs. This group will also help develop the expertise needed within PCC to work with MAPs.

Phase I of the limited use of ISBD punctuation in bibliographic records has been implemented. PCC libraries now have the option of omitting terminal periods of descriptive fields. The guidelines are on the PCC website: https://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/documents/guidelines-terminal-periods.pdf. Phase II allowing PCC libraries to omit punctuation between subfields of descriptive fields will be implemented after the ALA annual conference.

The PCC Task Group on Engagements and Broadening the PCC Community administered a survey that was distributed to many distribution lists covering various communities and cataloging groups. The survey included questions addressed to both PCC and non-PCC members. The majority of responses were from academic libraries (70%) and from the United States (81%). Survey results will be available later this year.

Collaboration with the Wiki community: The PCC held a Wikidata workshop in conjunction with the PCC Operations Committee meeting. Additional information is available from this page: (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:WikiProject_University_of_Virginia/Program_for_Cooperative_Cataloging_May_2019)

To advance its strategic direction in the area of expanding use of linked data value vocabularies, the PCC has set up a formal relationship with the ALCTS Subject Analysis Committee’s Subcommittee on Faceted Vocabularies and the OCLC FAST Policy and Oversight Committee.

Seventeen PCC libraries have joined three Linked Data for Production Phase 2 (LD4P2) grant partner institutions (Cornell, Harvard, and Stanford) to form a PCC LD4P2 cohort group. The group has formed several affinity groups and will start doing cataloging in BIBFRAME following the ALA annual conference. More information is available from the LD4P2 website: http://ld4p.org

The NACO CJK Funnel has started a clean-up project to review and update approximately 80,900 differentiated CJK personal name authority records that contain multiple non-Latin references and a 667 field note “Machine-derived non-Latin script reference project.”
Standing Committee on Applications (SCA) Chair: Ben Abrahamse

ISBD Punctuation in MARC Descriptions update:

The work of the Committee was entirely focused on matters relating to ISBD and other punctuation in MARC records. Working from the recommendations in the 2016 Revised final report of the PCC ISBD and MARC Task Group (http://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/documents/isbdmarc2016.pdf), SCA examined three test sets of records to see how they could be made ISBD-punctuation-free. Based on this experience, we made recommendations to the PCC Policy Committee (PoCo) meeting last autumn.

PoCo voted to move forward immediately on removal/omission of final punctuation in descriptive fields, but held back on allowing PCC contributors to omit ISBD punctuation between subfields until a later date. In order to support the rollout of this policy decision, SCA drafted a set of initial guidelines, which were released to the library community along with the announcement of the policy change in early April.

SCA has also been developing a set of guidelines for minimally-punctuated records, which will be released if/when the PCC decides to move forward in this area.

- MARC proposals/discussion papers:

As part of its responsibility to the PCC to shepherd MARC proposals to the MARC Advisory Committee (MAC), SCA presented the following MARC discussion papers (DP) and proposals:

- 2018-DP08 -- Use of Field 024 to Capture URIs in the MARC 21 Authority Format
- 2018-DP07 -- Designating Sources for Names in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format
- 2019-03 -- Defining Subfields $0 and $1 to Capture URIs in Field 024 of the MARC 21 Authority Format (approved with amendments, Jan. 2019)

Standing Committee on Standards (SCS) Co-chairs: Chew Chiat Naun and Ed Jones

Work in progress:

- MARC discussion paper on demonyms written but withdrawn pending discussions with LC about alternative approaches in id.loc.gov;
- NACO Consultation Board. SCS co-chairs resumed their discussion with Paul Frank about the charge and membership of this group. Paul announced next steps regarding the formation of this group at the PCC Operations Committee meetings (OpCo). The hope is to launch this Advocacy/Consultation Board during summer 2019;
- PCC Task Group on Supplements and Special Numbers to Serials. Revised policy statement for 2.12 re-drafted in response to LC comments. The task group has also
drafted new PSs concerning supplement and special issues at: 0.0; 2.1; 2.3.17; 6.2.2.9.1; 6.27.2.2; 25.1.1.3; and 27.1.1.3. SCS has just received a summary of the Library of Congress Policy and Standards Division’s (PSD) response and is considering next steps:

- SCS received a submission from Council on East Asian Libraries (CEAL) regarding Taiwanese access points but has deferred consideration of it until RDA revision timelines become clearer;
- SCS is revising some of the explanatory text in the Provider-Neutral guidelines in order to provide readers with more context;
- In response to a request from Stephen Kharfen (U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO), SCS is considering how best to align BIBCO & CONSER practices regarding the use of surrogates;
- Along with the PCC Linked Data Advisory Group and the PCC Identity Management Task Group, SCS is considering best practices for use of the Authority 024 field for related identifiers;
- Language expressions. SCS submitted revisions to PS 6.27.3 in August 2017 following PCC endorsement of the policy;
- MARC discussion paper on defining $i for 6XX submitted to MARC Advisory Committee. SCS was asked to consider resubmitting with changes. SCS has taken no further action to date;
- SCS considered the future of instructions in the BIBCO Standard Record (BSR) and CONSER Standard Record (CSR) relating to Rare Materials in light of the planned Rare Books & Manuscripts (RBMS) Policy Statements and have provided feedback to RBMS.

Other:

- SCS reviewed its activities from 2014-2018 for the PCC Policy Committee (PoCo) and was given a revised charge more explicitly reflecting the broader metadata concerns the PCC now faces;
- SCS was briefed by Kathy Glennan and Dominique Bourassa regarding changes to RDA and Toolkit as a result of 3R. Also under discussion is a work plan for revising policy statements and developing application profiles;
- SCS compiled information on MARC authority fields awaiting implementation and continues to receive updates from LC;
- SCS will be taking over some ongoing tasks handed off by the PCC Task Group on URIs in MARC, which was discharged in September 2018;
- The guidelines for relationship designators in authority records, developed in 2016 in conjunction with the Standing Committee on Training (SCT), were recently released by LC.
Standing Committee on Training (SCT) Chair: Beth Picknally Camden

This report summarizes SCT activities since the ALA Midwinter Conference in January 2019. Please address any questions to SCT chair Beth Picknally Camden (bethpc@upenn.edu)

Committee members
The current SCT membership is:

- Beth Picknally Camden
- Richard Stewart
- Melanie Wacker
- Jackie Parascandola
- Adam Baron
- Brian Stearns
- Ageo Garcia
- Lisa Furubotten
- Nancy Lorimer
- Paul Frank
- John Hostage
- Laura Ramsey

ISNI Training Task Group
Charge: to develop an (International Standard Name Identifier) ISNI training curriculum for PCC ISNI participants; document procedures and workflows (Chair: John Hostage).
The group completed preliminary version of training documents for working with the web version of ISNI (https://wiki.duraspace.org/x/GgO1Bg).
Training for the LD4P cohort that is joining the ISNI project has just launched.

SCT LRM Training Task Group
Charge: Develop a training curriculum for PCC participants in the IFLA Library Reference Model (LRM) (Chair: Nancy Lorimer)
The group has completed a training outline consisting of 12 modules, each meant to be about 5-10 minutes worth of reading. Several of the modules are ready for review and others are still under development.

Series Training/Policy Revisions
SCT is working with SCS on a joint process (SCT coordinator: Lisa Furubotten; SCS coordinator: Bob Maxwell)
The small group is continuing to analyze and make recommendations on sections that were previously reported as needing clarification. Their current target is to have their revisions ready for review before ALA annual.
SCT Minimal Punctuation Training Task Group
Charge: Develop a training curriculum for PCC participants in minimal punctuation, based on the PCC Guidelines for Minimally Punctuated Data developed by the PCC Standing Committee on Applications (SCA). (Chair: Laura Ramsey)
This group was approved by the PCC Policy Committee (PoCo) in April. However, the group will not be formed until the Guidelines, which are being developed by SCA, are complete and approved by the PoCo.

Linked Data
SCT is working with the Linked Data Advisory Committee to form a joint task group. We are currently reviewing a draft charge and discussing the scope of this new group. We have also reached out to DCMI Teaching Metadata Interest Group, in the hopes that we can collaborate in some way.
Past SCT linked data training documents available now: Linked Data Training Resources Environmental Scan (2016)
https://www.loc.gov/aba/pcc/sct/documents/PCCSCTFinalReportonAvailableLinkedDataTrainingResources.docx

Next Steps
At ALA Annual 2019, SCT will be discussing several areas that may need new or updated training:
- Linked Data
- RDA 3R