



PAN Update January 2022

Participating libraries

Scholars Trust is a partnership among the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL), the Florida Academic Repository (FLARE), and the Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC). The retention agreement is in effect through December 31, 2035. Scholars Trust is a founding partner of the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance.

Program Growth

As of January 2022, the total record count for Scholars Trust retained titles is **59,630** – an increase of **1,426** since the June 2021 update.

A quarterly report of Scholars Trust title records is shared with the PAPR Registry and made publicly available. PAPR also provides a combined title listing for the six shared print programs in the Rosemont Alliance, available at: <http://papr.crl.edu/program/81/rosemont-shared-print-alliance>.

Current Initiatives

- Rosemont Shared Print Alliance Last Known Copy Project
19 of the 33 ASERL libraries identified as having titles within scope of the Rosemont Last Known Copy initiative plan to assess these titles for retention and to record their commitments in OCLC WorldCat. These libraries hold 24,233 of the 29,100 last known copies identified in ASERL collections.
- OCLC Shared Print Registration Service
The WRLC has begun recording its shared periodicals retention commitments as part of OCLC's shared print registration service. Recording these commitments has been complicated by the fact that the individual retained volumes may be owned by any of the WRLC partner libraries. Retention commitments for the WRLC shared print journal collection of nearly 10,000 titles is already available in the JRNL and PAPR databases.

In addition to the option for a library to self-register their commitments, they can choose to authorize an agent or group administrator to submit data on their behalf. 22 ASERL Scholars Trust libraries have authorized CRL to act as their agent; 5 libraries will self-register and the remainder have yet to make a determination. CRL expects to begin submitting files on behalf of the libraries in January 2022.

Journal Retention and Needs Listing (JRNL)

Scholars Trust libraries [ASERL, FLARE + WRLC] manage their journal retention commitments in the JRNL software designed and hosted by the University of Florida. JRNL allows libraries to expose lists of

print journals for which they have made retention commitments; and to express needs (or gaps) in their holdings.

An enhancement is currently under consideration to update and standardize the facility descriptions to align with terminology used in PAPER. This enhancement will provide functionality to search/filter by facility type (e.g., high density storage), which is currently not available.

JRNL was included in the library technology and service provider presentations/lightning sessions of the CDL, CRL, Hathi Collaborative [Virtual Summit](#), December 1 & 2, 2021. The JRNL Oversight Committee will be assessing opportunities for expressions of action identified during the Summit.

[More information on JRNL.](#)

Governance

Scholars Trust is governed by a two-tiered structure to foster the growth of the partnership, create strategic directions, and provide support and management for long-term, efficient, and effective operations. Each participating consortium (ASERL, FLARE, WRLC) has delegations on the Governing Council and the Steering Committee.

Governing Council Representatives

Doug Way (ASERL, U-Kentucky)
Tom McNally (ASERL, University of South Carolina)
Judy Russell (FLARE, U-Florida)
Stephen Connaghan, (WRLC, Catholic University of America)
Lars Meyer (Steering Committee Liaison, Emory University)
John Burger (ASERL, Program Director)
Ben Walker (FLARE, Program Director)
Mark Jacobs (WRLC, Program Director)

Steering Committee Representatives

Jay Forrest (ASERL, Georgia Tech)
Lisa Fish (FLARE, U-Miami)
Ryan Johnson (WRLC, Georgetown University)
Dolsy Smith (WRLC, George Washington University)
Lars Meyer (Emory University), Chair
Cheryle Cole-Bennett (ASERL, Program Staff)
Ben Walker, (FLARE, U-Florida, Program Staff)
Aaron Krebeck, (WRLC, Program Staff)

WRLC's Scholars Trust Governing Council representative, Stephen Connaghan (Catholic University of America) just completed his term as Chair of the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance Executive Committee.