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.

Recent Activity
- ASERL has hired Rebecca Crist to serve as Program Coordinator for Shared Collection Resources, starting February 1, 2023. Ms. Crist will succeed Cheryle Cole-Bennett, who is retiring as of March 1, 2023 after nearly 15 years working as ASERL’s Program Coordinator for Shared Print Programming. For the past ten years, Ms. Crist has served as Project Manager for the Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTAA), leading development and implementation of BTAA’s Shared Print Repository Program.

- Over the past year, the Scholars Trust governance committees have been engaged in program planning and organization. A new governance structure was approved by the governing bodies of the three consortia that participate in Scholars Trust, to be implemented in early 2023. The planning initiative also addressed program expectations for the near-term future: Scholars Trust libraries expect to focus on collection maintenance and other initiatives, with limited collection growth expected through 2025.

- More than 4,800 additional print journal titles have been committed to Scholars Trust for retention over the past year; much of this growth is attributed to a collection policy change within WRLC.
A quarterly report of Scholars Trust title records is shared with CRL’s PAPR Registry and made publicly available.

- 19 ASERL libraries are participating in the Rosemont Alliance Last Known Copy initiative, holding 24,233 of the 29,100 last known copies identified in ASERL collections. To date, 737 titles have been chosen for retention as part of this initiative. Other titles are being reviewed for possible retention in the future.

**Journal Retention and Needs Listing (JRNL)**

Scholars Trust libraries 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.

As an outcome of the CDL, CRL, Hathi Collaborative Virtual Summit (2021), a yearlong pilot project was launched in August 2022 to expand access to JRNL for libraries that may wish to support shared print through gap-filling. These gap-fill activities are self-directed, and participating libraries set their own pace. Opportunities to participate are still available and interested libraries are encouraged to apply. The pilot may be ideal for those looking to weed serials in the next year.

For more information, and an application, please visit the JRNL LibGuide.

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