



Scholars Trust represents the shared print archives of the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL), the Florida Academic Repository (FLARE), and the Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC).

Participating libraries

The **University of North Carolina – Charlotte** and **Florida State University** signed on to Scholars Trust in 2017, bringing the number of ASERL libraries participating in Scholars Trust to 31. In addition, **FLARE** includes the **12 State Universities** in Florida and the **University of Miami**. The **Washington Research Libraries Consortium** (WRLC) brings an additional 9 universities to the program for a total of 50 participating libraries.

Program Highlights

- **A publicly-accessible list of the titles retained for Scholars Trust** is maintained on the program website so others can easily access the information. www.scholarstrust.org.
- A quarterly export of title records is also shared with the **PAPR Registry**.
- Program Growth - In May 2017, the total record count in JRNL is **34,712**. In May 2018, the total record count is **37,249**, an increase of **2,537**. 80% of these holdings are unique titles within the archive.
- Six ASERL Scholars Trust libraries are participating in a serials collection analysis pilot with CRL. The goal of the pilot is to gain a greater understanding of the scope of serials holdings among Scholars Trust libraries to inform our shared collection growth for both Scholars Trust and our participation in the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance. Libraries participating in the pilot include:
 1. Emory University
 2. University of Alabama
 3. University of Florida
 4. University of South Carolina
 5. University of Tennessee-Knoxville
 6. Virginia Tech

Outreach and Communication

Town Hall Meetings provide a forum to share the progress on current initiatives and operations and to elicit further feedback from all participating libraries. Two are held each year, and recordings are archived on Scholars Trust website.

Journal Retention and Needs Listing (JRNL)

Scholars Trust libraries manage their journal retention commitments in the JRNL software 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. The software facilitates communication between library staff among participating institutions to identify holding commitments, gap filling opportunities as well as deselection decisions.

ASERL, the Big Ten Academic Alliance (BTAA), FLARE, TRLN, WEST and WRLC record their retention commitments in JRNL; **80 institutions, with 83 locations**.

JRNL contains 51,743 holdings records, of which 35,515 are unique OCLC#/Titles. 72% of JRNL records represent a single retention commitment, 16% have a second commitment. Note - multiple commitments do not indicate redundancy in holdings, as institutions may not retain the same dates/volumes, and gaps may be present.

JRNL Records per program:

ASERL – 6,882

WRLC – 4,969

BTAA – 6,677

WEST – 7,298

FLARE – Data clean-up project in process

Rosemont Shared Print Alliance (RSPA)

The shared print programs in Scholars Trust continue to work with the Big10 Academic Alliance (BTAA), Eastern Academic Scholars Trust (EAST) and the Western Regional Storage Trust (WEST) in the Rosemont Shared Print Alliance (RSPA) to ensure the preservation and availability of print journal literature into the future.

Please visit the <http://Rosemontsharedprintalliance.org> website for more information.

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