Collection and Discovery Services
Open Forum: We Want to Hear From You

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Open Forum

Do you have cataloging or discovery services questions, challenges, or ideas? The DLC Collection and Discovery Services Working Group wants to hear from you, the FDL community. During this open forum we will ask open questions and discuss cataloging/metadata, technical services, collection development and management, and discovery services issues affecting the FDL community.

The working group welcomes all members of the FDL community to participate in the discussion and encourages everyone to bring ideas and questions.
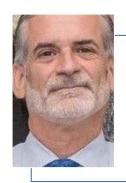
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Poll #1

Does your library have a dedicated technical services department for government documents?

- Yes
- No, but we have dedicated technical services staff for government documents
- No

Poll #2

Has your library recently reorganized your technical services department?

- Yes
- No, but we are considering it
- No

Discussion Question

What should the ideal library technical services department look like in the 21st Century?

Poll #3

Has your depository taken on cataloging projects to work toward having your depository collection 100% cataloged?

- Yes
- No
- No, because my depository collection is fully cataloged.

Poll #4

Would knowing the cataloging projects of other depository libraries be of interest to you?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

Sample of what the Working Group has in mind for the Registry:

Cataloging Metadata Projects

Depository Library Name	Depository Library Number	Depository Library Staff	SuDOC Stems	Number of Publications	Types of Publications	Publication Date Ranges	Project Date Ranges	Project Status
University College	123	James Smith	Y 1.1/5-Y.1.1/8	100	Reports	1970-1980	1/1/2021-3/1/2021	In process
Liberal Arts College	456	Jane Jones	A 1.2-A 1.5	1000	Technical Reports	1980-1990	4/1/2021-8/1/2021	Planning
City Public Library	789	William Henry	C 100-C 200	500	Fact Sheets	1950-1960	8/1/2020-12/1/2020	Completed

Discussion Question

What information would you like to see in a registry for cataloging and metadata projects?

Discussion Question

What challenges or issues would you like to see the Collection and Discovery Services Working Group address?

Poll #5

Are you building your depository collection with, or providing access to, digitized historical content? (select all that apply)

- Yes, we are building a digital collection with historical content.
- Yes, we provide access to digital historical content.
- Yes, we provide access through links in cataloging records.
- No, but we are considering building a digital collection.
- No, my library is not interested in historical content.

Discussion Question

LSCM (Library Services and Content Management) is exploring a new series of item numbers for historical publications. What do you think of this idea?

Discussion Question

What new, or changes to existing, cataloging services and products would you find useful?