

DSIMS Virtual Discussion Topics

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GPO is hosting a virtual discussion with the FDLP community on December 4, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. (EST) to gather input on DSIMS modernization. This document is provided in advance of the session to give participants some time to think about the issues and what would work best in their libraries. The information provided below includes a brief overview of the planned topics and some questions for users to consider in preparation for the discussion.

Topic 1 – What to Keep

GPO is seeking feedback on what currently works well in the system and what to keep in modernization efforts. Examples could include:

- Ability to drop items in real time
- Ability to add EL-only items in real time
- Ability to add tangible items to the cart to be added on October 1
- Receiving email notifications of added or dropped items

Topic 2 – What to Change

GPO is also seeking input on libraries' pain points in the current system and what changes might make it work better for libraries. Examples could include:

- Need to be able to view and/or download a list of only non-selected items
- Need the ability to determine the percentage of items selected
- A more user-friendly login page

Topic 3 – What to Add

If you could build DSIMS from scratch, what additional features would you like to see? Examples could include:

- Displaying additional List of Classes information associated with the item number (Title, SuDoc stem, geographic coverage, frequency, format)
- Linking to the CGP for examples of materials recently distributed under the item number
- Displaying names of nearby libraries that also select the item number
- More historical information on items my library has added or dropped and when it was added or dropped
- Read only access for library staff who need to view, but not change, my library's item selections
- Notification of when the distribution format of an items my library selects is changed
- In-system notifications of items added or dropped from my library's selections
- Ability to classify libraries as "Online Only" to enable those libraries to select mixed format item numbers (such as P/EL) and only "receive" the online materials and not tangible materials