The Florida Council of State University Libraries Digital Initiatives Subcommittee (DISC) recently completed a DISC Survey of Digital Library Inventory. The purpose of the DISC Survey is to identify report, assess, and address current & future needs of digital library initiatives of CSUL DISC member institutions. DISC surveys were completed for Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU), Florida Atlantic University (FAU), Florida Center for Library Automation (FCLA), Florida State University (FSU), University of Central Florida (UCF), University of North Florida (UNF), University of Florida (UF), Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU), University of West Florida (UWF), and Florida International University (FIU). The completed surveys are available online via the DISC swicki http://swiki.fcla.edu:8000/DISC/. A few highlights from the DISC Survey include:

- Most institutions reported use of at least an open-source, commercial, in-house, out-sourced, or a hybrid digital content management system for the management of digital assets (includes “digitized” and “born digital” assets) also referred to as digital collections.
- Most institutions reported that various departments within their libraries play a role in the coordination of digital projects with 5 out of 10 DISC institutions actually having organized task force/committees charged with the coordination of digital projects.
- The level of integration with FCLA digital library services, level of participation in Publication of Archival Library & Museum Materials (PALMM), and level of participation in Florida Digital Archive (FDA) varies from “no involvement” to “former involvement” to “current and/or upcoming involvement” across institutions.
- Institutions reported the need for improved/current technology, robust/scalable systems for institutional repositories (IRs)/digital collections management, more training, storage, developed knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSA), state-wide leadership in the development of digital library policies and practices, collaboration and leveraging of resources/expertise across institutions, clearly defined agreed upon best practices/approaches for digitization, resolution of issues relating to centralized/decentralized digitization, and leadership at the state level for providing exposure to and understanding of emerging digital technologies and discussing possible adaptation throughout the State University System (SUS) to name a few.
- Most institutions are involved in some sort of digital initiatives from either planning to introduction, growth, maturity of digital library initiatives infrastructure with no institution reporting a decline in digital collections building.
- Institutions across the state are operating at various levels of capacity and productivity in digital library initiatives based mainly on institutional support, staffing, funding, technical expertise, commitment, and goals.
- All institutions are interested in the development lifecycle of digital assets from conception, production, dissemination, preservation, and deletion.
- There is a need for more training, collaboration, synchronization, resource-sharing, inter-institutional partnership, national/international digitization projects, grant funding involvement, and local/state/regional leadership/active involvement in the development and sustainability of digital library initiatives/projects/programs across DISC institutions.