Digital Scholarship is scholarship enhanced by the design of digital projects, incorporation of digital tools, collaboration among digital partners, and dissemination through digital platforms.

**MISSION**

Digital Scholarship Initiatives is an extension of the mission of the Walker Library as an active partner in the scholarly communication process and supports the educational mission of the university by providing access to information. Walker Library has invested in establishing the necessary and supportive infrastructure used in the creation and dissemination of digital resources.

**COLLABORATIVE**

Serving as a hub for collaboration among campus centers, faculty and students, the Digital Scholarship Lab (DSL) creates and applies new technologies that enhance interdisciplinary research. The products created in the lab are often grant-funded, strengthen the scholarly output of MTSU, and add to the collections at Walker Library.

**DIGITAL HUMANITIES**

- Digital Seed Grant opportunities for faculty and researchers
- DH Projects based in CONTENTdm, ArtisGIS, StoryMaps, Drupal, Omeka, and more
- DH Seminar Series for faculty, staff, and students each fall and spring semester

**OPEN ACCESS SCHOLARSHIP**

- Increased Visibility and Search Statistics
- Stables, Linkable URL to share
- Accepts Various Formats: pdf, doc, jpeg, video, audio
- Publication Types include published articles, department newsletters, presentations and more
- Showcase Grant Mandated Research
- Cost-Effective Solution

**VS**

- Institutional Repository
- Journal Hosting

- Journal Management Software-IJS
- Editorial Workflows
- Stable, Online, Open Access
- Technical Support
- Database Indexing
- ISSN registration
- Comprehensive/Convenient
- Cost-Effective Publishing

**STATISTICS**

- IR Downloads: 508,690 (since 2014)
- Seminar/Workshops: 10 (plus 5 more in Fall 2015)
- Lab Use: 133 (Fall 2015), 275 (Spring 2015), 130 (Summer 2015)
- Digital Collections: 10,402 (total items in over 23 collections)
- Journals: 8 (Installed at Library)
- Grants Received: 1 (2016-2017)

*2016, Digital Scholarship Initiatives, Walker Library, Middle Tennessee State University, NCP Library, MTSU.edu*