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Activities have been moving forward seeing what level of interest there is around SUNY for the 360Search federated search software. As reported [here](#), the [Shared Search & Discovery Services Committee recommended \(among other things\)](#) a SUNYConnect-wide subscription to [360Search](#).

The SCLD has provided additional support for this recommendation. Initial discussions on a search-and-discovery component of the Library of the Future seconded 360Search as currently available technology to enhance the use of vetted electronic library resources.

The vendor, [Serials Solutions](#), has shown a willingness to provide [discounted pricing](#). Their current offer is significantly less than their standard pricing. The software is priced based on the number of databases that can be searched. The vendor's offer is for **SerialsSolutions®** campus-specific implementations that allow for an unlimited number of database connections.

It is likely that the current proposal is possible only if a significant number of SUNY libraries participate. Library directors have been asked to respond by mid-November.

A series of webinars regarding the software and the SUNY proposal occurred earlier in October. Thanks to the folks at many SUNY libraries who participated in these sessions.

The SUNY system included fifteen libraries already utilizing [360Search](#). A number of others are WebFeat customers (WebFeat is another federated search tool that was acquired by Serials Solutions earlier this year). As of the first half of October, approximately 25 SUNY libraries have already expressed interest in 360Search, interest at the level to make a financial commitment via the vendor's current proposal.



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