



Editorial

This volume of POMLIF Journal of Library and Information Science is dedicated to a theme that speaks directly to contemporary issues: *Empowering polytechnic libraries in Nigeria through digital technologies* is both timely and necessary. In an age defined by rapid technological change, the library is naturally undergoing a profound transformation that is no longer confined to only physical spaces and print collections. The library today must be a dynamic hub for digital learning, knowledge creation, and innovation. Polytechnic libraries in particular are uniquely positioned to drive this movement. They serve students, teachers, technologists, and researchers who are engaged in practical, technological, and vocational fields that demand fast, seamless access to information.

The contributions in this issue explore how digital technologies are transforming library services in Nigerian polytechnics. From the Integration of AI literacy and Digital literacy to Social Media Engagement, Optimizing Digital Collection Management, Perceived Values as Determinants of Library Service Use, Managing Library Staff Diversity, Mentorship as a Catalyst for Harnessing Digital Technologies, Advanced Operational Techniques and Management of Hardware and Software for Library Automation, Challenges Associated with the Use of Multimedia Resources in Northwest University Kano, Kano State, Academic Self-Concept as Correlate of Academic Achievement in Cataloguing among Master Degree Students in Library and Information Science Schools in Southern Nigeria. The possibilities are limitless, more importantly, these developments point towards a broader goal which is ensuring that knowledge is accessible, inclusive, and relevant to the evolving needs of our society.

The contributors highlight not only the successes, but also the challenges that come with limited infrastructure, inadequate funding, and the need for continuing professional development. Yet, it is within these reflections that viable solutions begin to emerge; ideas rooted in collaboration, resilience, and a shared vision for growth. The editorial team is proud to present this special issue. It presents the vital work being done in our libraries and invites further dialogue on how technology can strengthen their mission. We thank all contributors, reviewers, and editorial colleagues for their commitment to excellence.

May this issue inspire continued innovation and renew our collective efforts to build stronger, smarter, and more responsive library systems across polytechnics in Nigeria and other parts of the world.

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