ABSTRACT

DIGITALIZATION OF WOMEN’S JOURNALS AT THE WOMEN’S HISTORY COLLECTIONS

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The Women's History Collections at Göteborg University Library is a special library for women's, men's and gender studies. The Collections were founded in 1958 as a private initiative and have since 1971 been a part of Göteborg University Library. In 1997 the Women's History Collections became the Swedish National Resource Library for Women's, Men's and Gender Studies. The principal goals of the Women's History Collections are compiling bibliographies, collecting manuscripts and other material concerning the women's movement in Sweden.

The digitalization project started some years ago and consists of three Swedish women’s journals from the nineteenth and early twentieth century. The three journals are: “Framåt”, “Tidskrift för hemmet” and “Rösträtt för kvinnor”.

We had several reasons to choose these journals:
- They are among the most important women’s journals in Sweden from the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries
- They are only available at a few libraries
- The paper quality is poor (they are falling apart)
- There would be no problems with the copyright.

Today we have a full-text collection of 10,000 digital pages, when the project is finished there will be about 15,000.

The articles can be found by browsing the journals tables of contents in the project website (http://www.ub.gu.se/samlingar/kvinn/digtid/) or by searching the databases KVINNSAM (http://www.libris.kb.se/english/special.database.DAKS.html).

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