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SURVEY RESULTS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Introduction

The growth of digital image collections has provided new opportunities for teaching, learning, and research at research institutions and has transformed the role of ARL member libraries with respect to the provision of visual resources and services. The last decade has seen the transition from analog to digital images and the growth of digital images available from commercial vendors and/or created within institutions or their libraries. This is in large part a response to increasing demand for digital multimedia to augment teaching, learning, and research endeavours across an array of disciplines.

The purpose of this survey was to examine how research libraries and their parent institutions have responded to these developments. It gathered information about current practices relating to the development and management of institutional digital image collections and the acquisition and use of licensed image databases. It explored the infrastructure and support provided by research libraries and/or their institutions with respect to the creation and use of digital images in teaching, learning and research including systems and platforms, cataloguing and metadata, access and training, services and service points, and copyright and other rights issues. It also sought to identify collaborative strategies amongst ARL member institutions for the provision of digital images.

Eighty-one libraries at 72 of the 125 ARL member libraries submitted a survey between April 15 and May 27 for a response rate of 58%. The survey revealed a vast range of activities relating to digital images at these institutions, from the digitization of analog collections to the creation of born-digital images. Digital

images are created and/or purchased in a wide range of disciplines and used by a broad range of users across institutions. Archives and Special Collections units are heavily involved in digitizing local collections and actively promoting these collections. There appears to be a shift away from an emphasis on the creation of images for teaching purposes to the creation of images promoted as institutional assets. Responsibility for the management of digital images varies from institution to institution with relatively few respondents reporting a coordinated and integrated approach.

Digital Asset Management Plans

Digitization and preservation are the most common activities comprising digital asset management plans (DAMP). Only 30 respondents (37%) indicated that the institution has an overarching digital asset management plan. As might be expected, activities falling under these plans that were common to all respondents include the digitization and preservation of existing analog collections (100% and 80% respectively). After that, less frequently addressed activities include licensing of commercial digital image products, and acquiring digital images through gifts (16 responses each, or 53%). Ten plans (33%) address purchasing of digital image collections. Other activities include cataloguing digital images and placing images in online databases.

Of the 30 institutions that have an existing digital asset management plan, the unit(s) or department(s) responsible for the implementation of the plan are distributed across an array of sectors. Eleven respondents identified some variation on Archives and Special Collections. Not surprisingly, 21 respondents

listed units whose names include the word “digital,” ranging from the now prosaic “Digital Initiatives” to “Digital Curation Services,” “Digital Consulting and Production Services,” “Digital Stewardship,” “Digital Conversion and Media Reformatting,” and similar.

In comments, several of those who responded that they had a Digital Assets Management Plan in place qualified their response by saying that the plan is either new, a work in progress, or not yet fully adopted. This was echoed by those who responded in the negative, with one caveat stating that this should “not be taken to imply that we are not doing any of these activities such a plan might outline; it simply means that we have not codified these activities in the form of a policy or plan.”

Categories of Digital Images

All but two respondents indicated that their library has locally digitized some or all of their analog collections. This is likely a reflection of the shift from slide to online images. A majority of respondents (69, or 86%) also indicated that they subscribe to commercial, licensed collections of digital images (provided from a vendor such as ARTstor). A majority of libraries (68, or 85%) are also involved in locally creating born-digital images. In addition, some libraries indicated that they have acquired born-digital images from a vendor, or from a donor. Some institutions have had their analog images digitized by an external third party, and in some cases by a commercial vendor.

Licensed collections make up the vast majority of digital images in the fine arts (including architecture) (55, or 71%), which is likely a reference to ARTstor and architecture-related database subscriptions held by academic libraries. Digitized analog images are most common in the humanities (47, or 61%) and social sciences (37, or 49%). While a fairly large number of respondents reported having no digital images in medical and science fields, this is most likely because they were not reporting on the holdings of separate medical and science libraries. When asked to indicate the current level of growth of digital collections in each subject area, the majority of respondents reported medium to high growth in the humanities. For fine arts and social sciences, the majority reported low to medium growth. Low to no growth was most

frequently reported for digital images in the sciences and medicine.

The examples of web pages for digital collections and digital image finding aids in the representative documents section of this SPEC Kit also reveal rich collections spanning many subject areas.

Collaboration

The library takes the majority of responsibility for the creation and purchase of digital images and associated activities such as digitizing analog images (74, or 94%), negotiating the purchase/use of licensed collections (71, or 97%), and negotiating individual agreements with image rights holders (70, or 96%). The creation of born-digital images is an activity that is often shared with other units. Forty-seven respondents reported that the library has responsibility for this activity and 22 of those report other units that also create born-digital images. Eighteen others report that only non-library units create such images. Other related activities include acquisition of born-digital special collections, digitizing audio and video, and grant applications.

In addition to the museum/gallery, the most common “other units” that have responsibility for the creation and purchase of digital images are academic departments and units. These are usually art department visual resources centers and archival units, but also a wide range of other departments such as anthropology, nautical archeology, veterinary medicine and biodiversity research. There has been a movement away from stand-alone departmental collections to institution-wide collections. In some cases images are both created and managed by these other units; in others they are created within other units but hosted and managed by the library. A number of institutions also reported a digital media/information technology unit responsible for digitization services and a marketing and communications department involved with the creation and digitization of images. University counsel at several of the responding institutions is involved in negotiating rights agreements. External partnerships were also reported. In one case community organizations identified images for digitization; in another, historical societies and state archives were involved in digitization activities.

The library also appears to take principal responsibility for digital image management activities, including creating metadata for images (74, or 99%), hosting image collections (73, or 97%), cataloguing images (71, or 99%), and negotiating image use permissions (68, or 97%). Other units that play a major role in management activities include the museum/gallery, academic departments (with art departments most frequently cited), and campus IT departments. Other management activities mentioned include asset management, digital preservation, and evaluation of systems. An integrated and coordinated approach was described by one institution: "All units in the university contribute to the digital collections with digital images related to their units and research, including digitized images and born-digital curated images. The online repository or digital asset management system tools allow for easy ingest of existing data and ease of creating new metadata/catalog records. The Libraries also have a well-developed permissions process with full documentation that is regularly done by all partners." External organizations also have responsibility for digital asset management activities. One respondent explained, "Institutional repository is hosted by commercial vendor; metadata for licensed resources may be purchased or provided by vendor; metadata for institutional repository may be supplied by author." A unique approach was cited by one respondent where cataloguing of images and creation of metadata were "crowdsourced" using "scholars familiar with content contained/captured by image," and an "optimization consultant helps with aggregating information for potential metadata inclusion."

A majority of respondents (54, or 67%) collaborate with consortia to acquire, create, or manage digital image collections. State-/province-wide consortia and research library consortia are the most frequent partners, and their most common activity is license negotiation. State-/province-wide consortia are also likely to host image collections, digitize analog images, and create metadata. A little more than half of the responding libraries share digital image collections with other institutions. These are often state-/province-wide collaborations where partners contribute images to specialized or subject specific projects of common interest that are hosted by a particular

institution. Partners include universities, libraries, museums, and cultural institutions. Descriptions of some of these shared collections are provided in the web pages for shared digital collections in the representative documents section.

Storage and Delivery

The responding institutions employ a variety of storage and delivery solutions for digital images and many take advantage of multiple solutions at once. These include commercial database providers such as ARTstor (60, or 74%), local servers available within the institution (50, or 62%), and repository solutions, both open source (49, or 61%) and proprietary (36, or 44%). Almost an equal number of respondents use open source software (29, or 36%), a shared digital repository (28, or 35%), and public photo sharing sites (28, or 35%). Some respondents mentioned open source and cloud-based solutions including DuraCloud, Glaciercloud, and SobekCM.

The most frequently reported delivery method used by the library to provide access to digital image databases/resources primarily for teaching and research is online access to a digital repository system (74, or 91%), followed by online exhibition (61, or 75%), database search engine (51, or 63%), web site browse/directory (50, or 62%), search and discovery layer that allows for searching for images within e-resources (47, or 58%), and third-party access and delivery system (58%). One respondent reported posting images and metadata on Flickr. Images are also delivered to users via Dropbox, email attachments, DVDs, and hard drives. Meanwhile, specialized digital image collections that are being developed by units such as archives and special collections use a variety of web-based tools, Omeka being one frequently reported example, to promote as well as provide access to their images.

Services

With respect to service points that support the use of digital image databases/resources at their institution, the most frequently reported is a specialized unit located in the main library (50, or 63%), followed by a specialized unit located in a branch or subject library (37, or 46%). Several respondents noted that access to

images is accessible from any location and that all service points provide support for digital images and databases. Usually, the library or department most directly related to the content matter of the images, especially as relates to the creation of those images, takes responsibility for providing support for the use of the images. The most frequently reported specialized units were visual resources centers located within the art history department, archives and special collections, and digital library services units. Digital library service units usually provide support for a wide range of digitization activities, including those relating to images. Staff in archives and special collections and digital library services units usually provide support for the use of locally created digital images, while staff at the library reference desk provide help with the use of licensed image databases/resources. For those institutions with no specialized service point, support is provided at the reference desk. Although not expressly stated, it appears the main library is gradually assuming responsibilities that historically used to be the domain of departmental visual resources centres. A typical scenario was provided by one respondent: "There are various units, groups, and people that support the use of different digital image databases/resources for different support needs. This is done, to some degree, by all faculty and staff in the libraries."

The most common service provided for users is finding/locating images (77, or 97%) followed by assisting with copyright, citing, and permissions (73, or 92%), creating images (i.e., scanning, digitizing) (92%), using local/institutional image databases/resources (72, or 91%), using licensed image databases/resources (69, or 87%), and saving and storing images (65, or 82%). Other services include providing access to software to create images, assisting with editing and printing of images, and creating metadata to support findability. A range of units are responsible for providing these services, but again the main library and branch/subject libraries are most often the service providers. Other units include digital/IT services, special collections and archives, and university counsel/copyright. Several respondents reported a media commons unit both within and outside the library that assist students and faculty with "creative uses of technology." Also reported were digitization units

that were responsible for coordinating and overseeing large-scale digitization projects.

Respondents did not generally distinguish between web pages as finding aids, promotional tools, or instruction/training tools. Often the same web pages provide multiple functions or serve as a starting point. Web pages are generally visually dynamic and used to promote local collections by presenting them in meaningful ways, thematically or by providing additional context. They usually describe and provide access to a range of digital collections in addition to digital images. Many web pages include thematic essays, links to exhibitions, bibliographies, and other collections. A web page is the most common finding aid provided for locating digital image databases/resources (72, or 91%), followed by a LibGuide (62, or 79%). Web pages usually offer access to digital collections through basic and advanced search tools and browsing. Numerous respondents mentioned the use of archival findings aids, usually encoded archival descriptions. Also reported were the Archon archival system, videos and electronic bulletin boards, and online catalogue and discovery layers.

Web pages provided by the library/visual resources staff are the most common method of instruction/training for the use of digital image databases/resources (59, or 79%), followed by workshops provided by the library/visual resources staff (52, or 69%), web pages provided by licensed image database provider (39, or 52%), and web-based tutorials provided by a licensed image database provider (28, or 37%). Many web pages link directly to the ARTstor website or training tools. Respondents also mentioned LibGuides, in-class instruction, individual consultations, and reference desk assistance. One respondent mentioned a webcast of one-time live presentations made available on the institution's website.

A web page is the most common method used to promote digital image databases/resources (77, or 95%), followed by LibGuide (59, or 73%), listserv/electronic mail list (32, or 40%), and newsletter (29, or 36%). There were a large number of other methods reported (27, or 33%). Social media including Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, and Social Pin are often used as a method to promote digital images databases/resources and highlight new acquisitions or newly

digitized collections. Also frequently reported are blogs, conference presentations, webcasts, videos and press releases. Specific user groups (students, faculty, etc.) are targeted by subject librarians and other staff.

Policies and Procedures

The majority of respondents reported that digital images are not explicitly addressed in a collection development policy (48, or 62%). About a quarter report that digital images are addressed in a general collection development policy. Seven (9%) report that digital images are addressed in an electronic resources collection policy. Only six have a separate digital images policy. As the representative documents reveal, digital images usually fall under a broader digitization policy.

The majority of libraries who responded to the survey provide copyright guidelines regarding the use of digital images (71, or 88%), acknowledging the importance of managing rights to minimize risk to the institution and its users, and to protect the rights of the copyright holder. The library itself typically implements the guidelines (63, or 93%). About a third of these share this responsibility with the parent institution. Four report that the parent institution has sole responsibility for implementation. A majority of the responding libraries, however, do not provide privacy and publicity guidelines with respect to use of digital images (49, or 61%), highlighting a gap in policies.

There is an increasing use of standards to catalog and classify images, yet no one standard prevails. Respondents reported using a wide variety of content standards to describe digital images, with the Getty Art & Architecture Thesaurus the most frequent response (52, or 65%). About half use the Library of Congress Thesaurus for Graphic Materials and AACR2. About a third use the Getty Union List of Artist Names, Cataloging Cultural Objects, and/or DACS. Ten use ICONCLASS. Among the other standards are the LC subject headings and name authorities file, local guidelines, RDA: Resource Description and Access, and RAD: Rules for Archival Description. Only four respondents (5%) indicated that they use no content standard at all.

The most frequently reported metadata standard used to describe digital images is Dublin Core (65, or 83%). Half use the Encoded Archival Description

standard. VRA Core (hosted by the Library of Congress in partnership with the Visual Resources Association) is used almost as frequently as EAD (37, or 46%). MARC and MODS (Metadata Object Description Schema) are also frequently used.

Only 30 respondents (39%) report that locally created images are given alt-text for accessibility by screen readers, revealing a distinct gap in meeting accessibility standards.

Research and Development Initiatives

The survey asked respondents if their institutions had any research and development initiatives that involve the use of digital images. The responses reflect a wealth of innovative initiatives that span the disciplines, moving well beyond the digital humanities to encompass areas such as anthropology, gastronomy, engineering, mathematics, and science. Some highlights are noted here but the complete set of descriptions in the survey questions & responses section merit a close reading.

Common themes that emerged indicate that digital images are increasingly incorporated as an integral element in eLearning and eTeaching strategies and modules. Emphasis is on the development of visualization tools. A noteworthy example is MIT Media Lab's Camera Culture which is exploring new ways to capture and share visual information (see <http://www.media.mit.edu/research/groups/camera-culture>). Immersive image studios employ images to create 3D immersive experiences. Some respondents reported plans to use crowd sourcing to assist in transcription of digitized content while others described moving into digital moving image and digital audio realms with their R & D projects. Several indicated that there were simply too many projects to report, perhaps reflecting on the ubiquitous nature of digital image research already underway. One respondent noted that they have a well-established and strong grant-based approach to supporting innovative initiatives using and manipulating images. Finally, Indiana University's Image Collections Online service is also a noteworthy model to visit (see <https://wiki.dlib.indiana.edu/x/rCqBHg>) providing as it does a dual service in supporting both the creation and publishing of images online.

Assessment

Most of the responding libraries (48, or 60%) do perform regular assessment activities on the use of digital image collections. The most common form of assessment is the collection of usage statistics (46, or 96%), presumably on commercially licensed collections such as ARTstor. Collection of informal feedback from users is also widely employed (34, or 71%). Formal surveys/feedback are employed less frequently.

At the majority of responding libraries, subject librarians and electronic resources librarians are primarily responsible for selecting and evaluating digital image resources for acquisition and/or renewal. To a lesser degree visual resources staff are also involved in these processes (26, or 35%).

Faculty demand was the factor ranked high in importance most frequently when it comes to evaluating image databases for acquisition. However, more than half of the respondents also ranked most of the other criteria as highly important, including frequency of use, image resolution/quality, cost, subject area, and having cleared copyright permissions. The only criterion that was not ranked high in importance was accessibility of the images. Only 40% of respondents reported that commercial products are evaluated for accessibility by disabled users, and only 16% rated accessibility as highly important in their decision making. These responses, along with those about adding alt text to locally created images, reveals that there is much that needs to be done to ensure that the needs of users with disabilities are kept at the forefront when it comes to the acquisition of digital image content.

The two most important characteristics of digital image collections for teaching, learning, and research is having access to a large database of images and ease of use (i.e., incorporating images into presentations, course websites, etc.) Having rights to use images in websites, course sites, etc. was a more distant third. Half of the respondents ranked having image alt text or captions to provide accessibility as of low importance. In the additional responses, quality metadata to accompany images was cited as a critical factor, highlighting the use of standards for description to facilitate search and retrieval of images.

Conclusion

In general, while it seems clear that there is a great deal of activity taking place in the digital image realm both in terms of creation and use, there is a parallel sense that the diversity of the activity and also the disciplines in which that activity is taking place makes it especially challenging to monitor campus-wide developments:

“It’s difficult to know the larger image environment on campus. We know that other projects are happening and we hear of other repositories on campus, but building a 1-stop source for all campus images eludes us. Other entities on campus seem determined to go it alone. Increasingly our faculty undertake image searching, retrieval and production on their own.”

The complexity of this landscape is further called out by this contributor:

“Creation/acquisition, use, and management of digital images are so integrated with other types of collections and services that it is quite difficult to pull this apart and speak exclusively about digital image collections and services. Furthermore, for better or worse, there are very different practices and services, and completely different staff involved with managing licensed vs. locally created digital collections.”

The survey findings reveal the critical role played by digital images and services in relation to the teaching, learning, and research missions of ARL member institutions. Increasingly, digital image collections and initiatives are being used to enhance the profile of these institutions. However, the findings also demonstrate the need for increased understanding of the activities relating to the creation and management of digital images currently taking place across units within institutions. In addition, there is a need for better coordination and integration of these activities at the institutional level. The development of overarching digital management asset plans that provide

oversight for the creation, acquisition, management, preservation, organization, access, and discovery of digital images would reap numerous benefits. Collaboration in the building of institutional image collections within institutions creates efficiencies and

promotes increased access and use. Similarly, collaboration and fostering partnerships on a broader level beyond individual institutions create efficiencies and result in rich digital image collections that are available to wider constituencies.

SURVEY QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES

The SPEC Survey on Digital Image Collections and Services was designed by **Mary Kandiuk**, Visual Arts, Design and Theatre Librarian, **Aaron Lupton**, Electronic Resources Librarian, and **Catherine Davidson**, Associate University Librarian, Collections and Research, at York University. These results are based on data submitted by 81 libraries at 72 of the 125 ARL member libraries (58%) by the deadline of May 27, 2013. The survey's introductory text and questions are reproduced below, followed by the response data and selected comments from the respondents.

The growth of digital image collections has provided new opportunities for teaching, learning, and research at research institutions and has transformed the role of ARL member libraries with respect to the provision of visual resources and services. The last decade has seen the transition from analog to digital images and the growth of digital images available from commercial vendors and/or created within institutions or their libraries. This is in large part a response to increasing demand for digital multimedia to augment teaching, learning, and research endeavours across an array of disciplines.

The purpose of this survey is to examine how research libraries and their parent institutions have responded to these developments. It will gather information about current practices relating to the development and management of institutional digital image collections and the acquisition and use of licensed image databases. It will explore the infrastructure and support provided by research libraries and/or their institutions with respect to the creation and use of digital images in teaching, learning and research including systems and platforms, cataloguing and metadata, access and training, services and service points, and copyright and other rights issues. It also seeks to identify collaborative strategies amongst ARL member institutions for the provision of digital images.

Some libraries have multiple, distinct units with digital image databases/resources. Because they may handle the material differently, we will accept separate responses from as many distinct units or collections as wish to complete this survey so that we may get as complete an understanding of current policy and practice as possible. But, a response from each unit that manages digital images is not required. If more than one library or unit is responding for your institution, please submit separate surveys.

DIGITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN

A **digital asset** is any item of text or media that has been formatted into a binary source that includes the right to use it. A digital file without the right to use it is not an asset. Digital assets are categorised in three major groups, which may be defined as textual content (digital assets), images (media assets) and multimedia (media assets) (van Niekerk, A.J. 2006).^[1]

Digital asset management (DAM) consists of management tasks and decisions surrounding the ingestion, annotation, cataloguing, storage, retrieval, and distribution of digital assets. The term also refers to the protocol for downloading, renaming, backing up, rating, grouping, archiving, optimizing, maintaining, thinning, and exporting files.

1. Does your institution have an overarching digital asset management plan that outlines the policy for the acquisition, creation, and management of the resources described above? N=81

Yes	30	37%
No	51	63%

If yes, which digital image-related activities does this plan address? Check all that apply. N=30

Digitizing existing analog collections	30	100%
Preserving existing analog collections	24	80%
Licensing commercial digital image products	16	53%
Acquiring digital images through gifts	16	53%
Purchasing digital image collections	10	33%
Other digital image-related activity	8	27%

If you selected "Other digital image-related activity" above, please briefly describe the activity. N=8

Because of the diversity of work being done, there is not a single plan that covers all of this. Instead, there are multiple plans and procedures. Digital images through gifts are covered under the deed of gift forms and procedures.

Cataloging digital images.

Digitizing images from books and periodicals per faculty requests (standard VRC services).

Placing images on online database.

Preserving existing digital collections.

There is a separate policy for acquiring gift digital images for Special Collections.

We are working on improving our preservation plans and starting a plan for managing born digital assets.

We collect a good deal of born-digital content.

Please specify which unit(s), department(s), or office(s) is responsible for implementing the DAM plan. N=30

Archives & Special Collections: Digital Initiatives

Archives and Records Management, Collection Acquisitions and Management

Center for Digital Collections, Manuscripts and Archives Department, Data and Server Management Department

Collections Steering, Collections Coordinators, Digital Curation Services (DCS), Special Collections, Preservation. DCS also preserves videos.

Digital Collection Services, Acquisitions and Metadata Services, Collection Services Archives and Special Collections

Digital Collections department. Operational groups, such as Repository Services Op Group, Metadata Services Op Group. Committees, such as Digital Projects Committee.

Digital Consulting and Production Services

Digital Initiatives and Scholarly Communications

Digital Learning & Scholarship

Digital Library Initiatives and Special Collections Research Center

Digital Library Program, Collection Development and Management, Special Collections and Archives, Metadata Services, ITD

Digital Library Services, Digital Library Team

Digital Production and Publishing, Digital Initiatives, Research Collections, Licensing Electronic Resources & Serials

Digital Production Services digitizes existing analog collections and preserves existing analog collections through digitization and deposit in a Fedora repository.

Digital Production Unit, Digital Library Technologies Unit

Digital Resources Library Unit

Information Technology Division: Digital Stewardship unit, Digital Conversion and Media Reformatting unit, and Collection Management and Special Collections

Library Affairs Preservation

NLM Division of Library Operations; Lister Hill National Center for Biomedical Communications

Pan-library plan developed by several units

Preservation & Digital Initiatives, Special Collections & Archives, Digital Repository

Rare Books & Special Collections, Digital Humanities, Applications/Systems

Scholarly Resources & Research Services, Digital Development & Web Services, Scholarly Communications, Acquisitions

Special Collections and Archives

Special Collections and Archives; Digital Services

Technical infrastructure is managed through the library office of information technology under the direction of the chief technology officer. Cataloging is managed under the direction of library technical services under the direction of the director of technical services.

The preservation plan is implemented by the Digital Library Department. The architecture collection acquisitions and digitization projects are managed by the Architecture Library.

The University Library and the Humanities Division's Visual Resource Center

University Libraries

University Libraries Technology Services

Comments N=18

Answered Yes

Collection development decisions, including those governing the development of digital collections, refer to the direction provided by the library strategic plan (2010).

Much of what we do and our policies are not written. Distinction between digital collections and digital repository selection is understood, no written overall preservation plan only separate documents, reformatting policies and procedures not entirely documented, selection is a group process.

Newly adopted; not yet implemented.

Plan is a work in progress.

This policy is for DCS rather than all of the university.

We do not at present have one, overarching cohesive written plan as mentioned above. However, we do have practice and implementation and a series of smaller plans that point to a larger goal. We are in the process of formalizing several policies that will, as a group, better inform a comprehensive plan.

We have workflows for this but no single DAM plan.

Answered No

An action report with recommendations for a plan was submitted to the library administration in 2009, but acquisition, creation, management continues to be handled mostly ad hoc and piecemeal.

In some cases, we are developing components of this plan (e.g., digitizing existing collections, preserving both analog and digital collections), though we don't have a single comprehensive DAM plan at the present time. Licensing of commercial digital image products (such as ARTstor) is handled through our usual e-resources acquisitions and management path.

LC is aware of the need for a digital assets management plan and is working to develop one. Our Digital Content Management Group is underway. Despite the current lack of an in-house DAM, LC is the home of the National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation Program (NDIIPP), a US national program for long-term preservation of digital cultural assets.

Partial plan in RUCore digital repository.

Plan is under development.

The fact that we do not have a formal policy for digital asset management ought not to be taken to imply that we are not doing any of these activities such a plan might outline; it simply means that we have not codified these activities in the form of a policy or plan.

The Libraries has a digitization plan, which is focused on plans for content and processing. We have a DAM, but no overarching plan.

We are in the beginning stages of trying to get a DAM plan in place, but do not have anything even drafted at present. There have been many discussions about this to date, however.

We are in the process of creating overarching policies to compliment separate project specific policies.

We do not currently have a written DAM, though we have been following best practices where we can. We are currently writing a program statement for DIOA, which includes strategic planning for digital preservation.

We have bits and pieces of a DAMP that covers things such as preservation/digitization standards/cataloging, etc. but no overarching plan.

CATEGORIES OF DIGITAL IMAGES

2. Please indicate which categories of digital images your library holds. Check all that apply. N=80

Locally digitized analog images	78	98%
Commercial, licensed collections of digital images	69	86%
Locally created born-digital images	68	85%
Other category of digital image	20	25%

If you selected "Other category of digital image" above, please briefly describe the category. N=20

Analog images digitized by a vendor.

Blog collecting and archiving management, to include images captured with archived blogs.

Born-digital archival collections.

Born-digital collections purchased or acquired through gift to Special Collections.

Born-digital images created by other organizations or individuals and acquired by the University Libraries.

Born-digital images created remotely, in the field, by an anthropologist.

Community member contributions.

Externally digitized analog images and externally created born digital images from donors and partners.

Externally digitized and born-digital curated materials from partner holdings, donated digital images.

Gifts and donations from donors and from coordinated collaborations on collections with partner groups and institutions.

Local resource, but digitization by vendor.

"Other" checked to reflect contributions to mass digitization work, Internet Archive, and Google.

Other non-institutional collections (e.g., historical societies).

Portions of archives and special collections donated by individuals.

Purchased special collections of born-digital images.

Reformatting of special collections.

Store and manage digital images created by faculty.

The library receives donations of digitized images, e.g., 10 lost American silent films discovered in the holdings of Gosfilmofond, the State Film Archive of Russia, which digitized them for donation to the library. We also participate in noncommercial licensed collections, e.g., ARTstor.

Vendor-digitized images of analog materials.

We also host digital images for a branch campus.

3. For each subject area below, please indicate whether the majority of digital images held by your library is from licensed collections, digitized analog images, or born-digital images. Select "none" if your library holds no digital images in that subject area. Please select one choice per row. N=80

Subject Area	Licensed collections	Digitized analog images	Born-digital images	None	N
Fine Arts	55	21	0	2	78
Humanities	25	47	2	3	77
Sciences	28	29	8	12	77
Social Sciences	25	37	7	6	75
Medicine	24	16	2	32	74
Other subject area(s)	3	16	2	9	30
Total Responses	59	57	16	35	80

If you selected "Other subject area(s)." above, please specify the subject area. N=25

Licensed collections

Architecture
History of UCI
Photojournalism

Digitized analog images

Aerial photos (2 responses)
Agriculture (3 responses)
Architecture (5 responses)
Business (real estate)
Engineering; Water Resources
Maps (3 responses)
Museum collections and digitized university history
Newspapers
University Archives (2 responses)

Born-digital images

University history (Media Relations photographs).

We hold in our repository a collection of digital images and video promoting the Libraries and various events, created by a student group working at the Libraries.

Additional Comments N=2

The library does not collect clinical medicine although it collects popular and non-clinical titles. The legal mandate to collect clinical medicine for the US rests with the US National Library of Medicine. We license some datasets in the hard sciences.

Humanities and Social Sciences also does born-digital images and is becoming equally if not more so a concentration.

4. For each subject area below, please indicate the current level of growth of your library's digital image collections. Please select one choice per row. N=80

Subject Area	High	Medium	Low	No growth	N
Fine Arts	15	31	28	3	77
Humanities	23	42	8	3	76
Sciences	9	22	36	8	75
Medicine	4	14	26	29	73
Social Sciences	13	25	23	7	68
Other subject area(s)	6	6	5	9	26
Total Responses	39	64	59	34	80

If you selected "Other subject area(s)." above, please specify the subject area. N=16

High

Agriculture (2 responses)
 Architecture, Islamic
 Newspapers
 University history (2 responses)

Medium

Agriculture

Historic Preservation

Maps

We hold in our repository a collection of digital images and video promoting the Libraries and various events, created by a student group working at the Libraries.

University Archives (2 responses)

Low

Aerial photos

Architecture (3 responses)

Engineering; water resources

Maps

Museum collections and digitized university history

COLLABORATION

5. Does your library collaborate with other units in your institution to purchase or create digital images? N=81

Yes	59	73%
No	22	27%

Please indicate which unit(s) has responsibility for these digital image purchase/creation activities. Check all that apply. N=77

Purchase/creation Activities	Library	Museum/ Gallery	University press	Medical school	Other unit(s)	N
Digitize analog images	74	17	3	4	25	76
Negotiate purchase/use of licensed collections	71	6	2	5	11	73
Negotiate individual agreements with image rights holders	70	12	7	0	12	73
Create born-digital images	47	11	7	4	31	64
Other activity	6	2	2	2	5	10
Total Responses	75	22	14	8	43	77

If you selected “Other activity” above, please specify the activity. N=10

Acquisition of born-digital special collections.

As part of the Aga Khan Documentation Center in SCS, ArchNet Digital Library works with the Documentation Center as well as the larger MIT Libraries, to create digital images.

Collaboration with other units has also involved the provision of funding: Office of the University Secretariat, University Students Union, and Faculty of Medicine.

Grant applications.

Promotion, outreach, integration with teaching and research.

Purchased digital asset management systems; negotiated with university VP & Chief Information Officer.

Digitizing audio and video.

We have collaborated with organizations outside of the institution and with commercial vendors (Gale, Adam Matthew) in creating several collections of digital images.

We scan books for the press that they make available through print-on-demand services.

Web published content on campus.

If you selected “Other unit(s)” above, please specify the unit and briefly describe their responsibility. N=40

Academic departments.

Academic departments and faculty create digital images that the libraries subsequently host and manage.

Academic units: Art department, and the School of Architecture, Provost, SHANTI (Sciences, Humanities and Arts Network of Technological Initiatives).

All units in the university contribute to the digital collections with digital images related to their units and research, including digitized images and born-digital curated images.

Archival units across campus.

Art History department (2 responses)

Art History department negotiates purchase/use of some licensed collections on their own. They also digitize analog images and create born-digital images that they manage on their own. A faculty member in the Anthropology department has completed an external grant project in which he created an analog-to-digital collection that is now managed by the Libraries.

Centre for Scholarly Communications (part of Libraries and Cultural Resources as is the Library, the Art Galleries, and the University Press) creates, hosts, disseminates, and preserves digital image collections in a variety of platforms.

Departmental image collections (School of Art and College of Built Environments) also digitize analog images. Faculty in multiple departments, media center staff in IT, and facilities staff create born-digital images.

Department of Art History Visual Resources Centre

Digital Conversion and Media Reformatting (responsible for all digitization services), Digital Stewardship (responsible for digital project management).

Every college on campus could submit digital images that are born digital.

Faculty and staff from College of Agriculture and College of Architecture, Design, and Construction supply digital and/or digitized documents for on-going local collections

Hawaiian Historical Society and Hawaii State Archives have both been involved in digitization of analog resources, Historical Society has negotiated rights, UH Press provides electronic files of publications.

History of Art Department Visual Resources Collections; College of Literature Science & Arts Museums

Humanities Division's Visual Resource Center, which serves the Art History and other departments.

Institute Communications and Marketing (creates born-digital images). Institute Facilities Design and Construction (creates born-digital images).

Library acquisitions and Library Metadata Services.

Media Services group of Computing & Information Services (CIS) supports instructional needs of faculty.

Monetary support to the library from Nautical Archeology for creating digital images from slides. Current exploration of project for inclusion of born digital images from the College of Veterinary Medicine. Existing collection of born digital radiographic images from the Biodiversity Research and Teaching Collections.

Negotiate individual agreements with image rights holders may involve University legal counsel. Create born-digital images and digitize analog images occasionally involves cooperation with Media and Technology Services or the Office of Marketing and Communication.

Office of Information Technology

Records Management

The Department of Arts and Sciences has negotiated on licensed collections for us and we work with PASCAL (Partnership Among South Carolina Academic Libraries) within the state.

The library owns commercial collections that the university's Art Department makes accessible through its image delivery site (MDID).

The Office of Fair Practices & Legal Affairs is involved in negotiating agreements. Faculty of Dentistry is digitizing images from slides.

Student newspaper, University Communications, and academic department published content.

University Archives

University Counsel is also consulted in negotiating rights agreements in certain cases. The Visual Resources Center in the Sam Fox School of Art also digitizes analog images.

University departments (2 responses)

University of California's California Digital Library (CDL); California Museum of Photography; Strategic Communications; Athletics; Associated Students. CDL coordinates licensing for UC-wide resources; the other units may create images and negotiate licenses with individuals.

University Photo and Imaging Services provides support in digitizing images; Initiative with community (Southside Initiatives) provides support in identifying images for digitization.

University Relations

University's Media and Marketing Department

Various colleges on campus, the university's PR operations, and our university foundation.

Various units provide born-digital images on an informal basis. There are no formal agreements about how these acquisitions are handled.

Visual Resources Center in Fine Arts Department is digitizing slide collection. Office of Communications and Marketing creates born digital images.

Visual Resources Collection, Department of Art & Art History

6. Does your library collaborate with other units in your institution to manage digital images? N=81

Yes	46	57%
No	35	43%

Please indicate which unit(s) has responsibility for these digital image management activities.
Check all that apply. N=75

Management Activities	Library	Museum/ Gallery	University press	Medical school	Other unit(s)	N
Create metadata for images	74	17	2	4	33	75
Host image collections	73	12	2	2	24	75
Catalogue images	71	16	1	2	21	72
Negotiate image use permissions	68	16	8	4	21	70
Other activity	7	1	1	2	4	9
Total Responses	75	19	9	5	42	75

If you selected "Other activity" above, please specify the activity. N=9

Asset management, storage

Backup servers

Digital preservation (3 responses)

Instruction for faculty and for students concerning use of images in pedagogical contexts.

Promotion, outreach, integration with teaching and research.

The library pays Shared Shelf to host images.

The maintenance of the LUNA digital image management system falls to the Library and the Visual Resources Center.
Also evaluating a new digital image management system was a collaboration between these two organizations.

If you selected “Other unit(s)” above, please specify the unit and briefly describe their responsibility. N=41

Academic departments and faculty create descriptive metadata for images, and in some cases secure use permissions.

All units in the university contribute to the digital collections with digital images related to their units and research, including digitized images and born-digital curated images. The online repository or digital asset management system tools allow for easy ingest of existing data and ease of creating new metadata/catalog records. The Libraries also have a well-developed permissions process with full documentation that is regularly done by all partners at the university and external.

An information technology services unit within a college.

Art history department (3 responses)

Art History Department Visual Resources Centre

Campus Information Technology Services

Central IT provides storage space. Institutional repository is hosted by commercial vendor. Metadata for licensed resources may be purchased or provided by vendor; metadata for institutional repository may be supplied by author.

Centre for Scholarly Communications (part of Libraries and Cultural Resources as is the Library, the Art Galleries, and the University Press) creates, hosts, disseminates and preserves digital image collections in a variety of platforms.

Department of Art: MDID.

Departmental image collections (School of Art and College of Built Environments) also host image collections, catalogue images, and create metadata.

History of Art Department Visual Resources Collections; College of LS&A Museums.

Host image collections: in negotiations with vendors and campus IT. Catalogue images: crowdsourcing; scholars familiar with content contained/captured by image. Create metadata: crowdsourcing; scholars familiar with content contained/captured by image; search engine optimization consultant helps with aggregating information for potential metadata inclusion.

Humanities Division's Visual Resource Center, which serves the Art History and other departments.

In some cases faculty from the School of Architecture and Planning have donated their image collections to the Libraries and have provided the associated metadata.

Institute Communications and Marketing (creates born-digital images & metadata and manages them until transferred to Archives). Institute Facilities Design and Construction (creates born-digital images & metadata and manages them until transferred to Archives).

Lister Hill National Center for Biomedical Communications hosts the Profiles in Science collections, including the associated digital images.

Media Services group of Computing & Information Services (CIS) supports instructional needs of faculty.

Nautical Archeology and Biodiversity Research and Teaching Collections work with the Metadata librarians to establish metadata requirements, but are responsible for the creation of the actual metadata for the project. College of Veterinary Medicine project will follow this practice as well.

Office of Information Technology: preserve images.

Office of Information Technology: manage servers and backups.

Other cultural heritage organizations on campus (i.e., special collections and archives); central IT organization (for hosting and digital storage).

Records Management

San Diego Super Computer Center (Chronopolis preservation service)

SHANTI: Sciences, Humanities & Arts Network of Technological Initiatives. SHANTI promotes innovation at the university through the use of advanced digital technologies in research, teaching, publishing, and collaborative engagement.

Some departments and individual faculty members do this for themselves. University Relations and PR office manages digital image assets for their publications, and the Athletics Offices have large collections of images. I know of these through casual hearsay only. There are no formal connections between these entities.

Some departments choose to place their digital images on university or commercial servers. Individual area/subject specialists and cataloging unit Metadata Cataloger create and update catalog records and/or create/update metadata. Depositing university units (e.g., Agriculture or Geophysics) sometimes provide metadata. I am speculating that both UH Press and Hawaiian Historical Society have negotiated image use permissions for material that has been deposited in our institutional repository and other digital collections.

The Office of Fair Practices & Legal Affairs is involved in negotiating image use permissions. Faculty of Dentistry is adding metadata to their digital images.

The Visual Resources Center has a large collection of digital images, which they catalog and create metadata for. They also occasionally field requests for image use permissions.

The Visual Resources Center in the Art Department

Units that donate images are responsible for the descriptive metadata.

University Archives

University Archives creates metadata for their images which are hosted on a library website.

University Legal counsel may be involved in negotiations, backup services provided by Information Technology Services.

University of California's California Digital Library (CDL); California Museum of Photography; Strategic Communications; Athletics; Associated Students.

University Technology Office provides storage and file system maintenance for library servers and Media Relations photographs.

Various colleges on campus, our university PR operations, and the university foundation

Visual Resources Center (Fine Arts Department) scans slide images, creates the metadata, and hosts the images on their own servers, but uses the libraries contentDM interface to make them accessible. The libraries provide service space and create metadata for selected OCM photos.

Visual resources center for Art & Art history Department & Environmental Design.

Visual Resources Collection, Department of Art & Art History. Responsible for creating and licensing digital images for use in teaching, lectures, Blackboard, etc.

7. Does your library collaborate with any consortial partners to acquire, create, or manage digital image collections? N=81

Yes	54	67%
No	27	33%

If yes, please indicate who is responsible for each activity below. Check all that apply. N=54

Activities	Library	Research library consortium	State-/ province-wide consortium	National/Multi-state/provincial consortium	Other consortial partner(s)	N
Negotiate purchase/use of licensed collections	35	17	23	8	3	48
Digitize analog images	43	7	11	7	6	48
Host image collections	41	7	16	7	4	47
Create metadata for images	42	5	10	5	4	46
Catalogue images	41	3	5	4	2	42
Negotiate image use permissions	38	3	9	3	5	40
Negotiate individual agreements with image rights holders	33	2	4	2	5	33
Create born-digital images	26	3	4	3	3	28
Other activity	7	1	2	2	4	10
Total Responses	50	25	32	16	13	54

If you selected “Other activity” above, please specify the activity. N=10

Alabama Digital Preservation Network is a LOCKSS-based system for collaborative bit-level preservation of partners' collections.

Asset management, storage

Harvest and host metadata records; preserve images and metadata.

OAI harvesting into specialized and general systems such as OCLC Worldcat, PRL (PRDLA archive).

Our library subscribes to ARTstor and Shared Shelf, but we offer it simply as a service. Library-owned collections are not placed there.

Promotion, outreach, integration with research and teaching.

Special Collections provides duplication services and retains resulting image files. Special Collections acquires and ingests donated born digital images.

The library participates in ARTstor to which partners contribute cataloging and metadata as well as images; however the library creates its own cataloging and metadata for nearly all other images.

We collaborate with the Digital Library of Georgia (DLG). The DLG harvests our metadata and links to our digital images.

If you selected “Other consortial partner(s)” above, please specify the partner and briefly describe their responsibility. N=13

ARTstor is a noncommercial digital library combining collections from its partners, all of which are nonprofit organizations or institutions.

Digital Library of Georgia.

Google, during participation in their book scanning project.

Individual libraries within partnership are responsible for rights management of their collections.

International with the Digital Library of the Caribbean (dLOC; www.dloc.com) where all partners contribute by digitization/born-digital curation, metadata, governance, training, etc. Additional partners collaborate on specific projects, for specific materials and with UF as the technical host partner.

John Carter Brown Library (independent library on the Brown University campus) shares its digital image collections with the Brown University Library.

Kentucky Digital Library hosts a consortial repository of KY related images.

Library of Congress National Digital Newspaper Project: Chronicling America is the host for Hawaii newspapers digitized in the project, UH hosts a smaller (PDF-only) version of the files; see above answer for other partner activities.

Local consortium (Five Colleges Consortium, a mix of public and private institutions, large and small schools within a few miles of one another).

National consortia are Shared Shelf and Sahara.

Partners are not state wide, but rather region within the state: Association of King County Historical Organizations and people and organizations on the west end of the Olympic Peninsula.

Sheet music consortium

University of California's California Digital Library (CDL)

University legal counsel supports rights negotiations as needed. Digitizing and creating born digital occasionally involves (a) Media and Technology Services and (b) Office of Marketing and Communication. Users/faculty/donors may create metadata for images.

Additional Comment N=1

We are in consultation and negotiation with a variety of vendors, as well as other state institutions for each of the above categories, but nothing is final.

8. Does your library contribute to any shared digital image collections with other institutions? N=78

Yes	43	55%
No	35	45%

If yes, please identify the institution and briefly describe the collections. N=40

Advanced Papyrological Information System (papyrology collections). Society of Architectural Historians (Faculty collections).

Alabama Mosaic: statewide collaborative. ASERL: "Civil War in the American South." University of Wisconsin: "Publishers' Bindings Online."

Alabama Mosaic: Alabama cultural heritage documents. Sheet Music Consortium: sheet music. ASERL Civil War collection: documents related to the American Civil War and to the immediately preceding period.

Archeocore community: Dumbarton Oaks, Institute of Fine Arts @ NYU, UC-San Diego. The Jefferson Library @ Monticello.

ARTstor, Shared Shelf, Luna, Flickr

Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL) hosts a collaborative repository of Civil War images.

Because of our robust scholarly cyber-infrastructure, the university hosts over 500 different collections from the university and partners. Additionally, all materials are accessible via record feeds in OAI-PMH, MARCXML, an API, and search engines with SEO support done by the Libraries.

BYU-Hawaii, BYU-Idaho, LDS Business College Campus Photographs; LDS Church History Library Historical Photographs (C.R. Savage Collection)

Digital Library of Georgia (all digitized and publicly accessible images)

Grant-based partnerships

Greater Western Libraries Alliance: Western Waters Digital Library. Multi-institutional project to highlight collections related to water in the West.

Internet Archive, Hathi Trust, OurOntario

Internet Archive; Digital Library of the Caribbean; World Digital Library

Iowa Heritage Digital Collection now hosted by the State Library. Participation is open to all not-for-profit cultural heritage institutions. All collections are freely available to the public and designed for K-12 Iowa history curriculum support.

Kentucky Digital Library

LC participates in the Flickr Commons, ARTstor, World Digital Library, Viewshare and Memento (Web archiving/discovery projects supported by NDIIPP, the National Digital Information Infrastructure and Preservation Program administered at LC). LC does not currently store its image collections with other institutions; the images that LC has placed on the Flickr Commons are also available on LC's servers.

Library of Congress: American sheet music, etc.; Advanced Papyrological Information System: papyri.

Locally digitized and created images are harvested by provincial agencies such as Our Ontario and Archeion.

Maine Memory, Digital Commonwealth

Manitoba Library Consortium: Manitoba.ca project; work with Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Winnipeg Archives, Centre du Patrimoine, Archives of Manitoba, U of Saskatchewan, Winnipeg Art Gallery on several projects: Prairie Immigration, Prairie Prestige, Women & Education, Landmarks, Monuments & Built Heritage.

New Jersey Digital Highway.

Online Archive of California and Calisphere (California Digital Library repositories), ARTstor, PRDLA

Part of Shared Shelf program via ARTstor. Worldcat Collection of Collections.Canadiana.org.

SAHARA, a digital image archive developed by the Society of Architectural Historians in collaboration with ARTstor.

Scanned and contributed images to the Romantic Circles project at the University of Maryland.

Small collection shared with Smith College, Mt. Holyoke College, Amherst College, and Hampshire College. Contributions from Roman Art Historians at UMass Amherst, Smith & Mt. Holyoke to form a collection of images shot by those Art Historians at Roman sites.

South Carolina Digital Library and the Digital Public Library of America

Southeast Missouri State University: Civil War digital collection.

Texas A&M University (Primeros Libros project)

Thai books in Northern Illinois University's Southeast Asia Digital Library: King Chulalongkorn's diary, 1876–1887, and travel writings chronicling royal visits to India, Malaya, Singapore, Java, Western Europe, Russia, and Siam.

The larger Libraries general visual collections; Harvard University Fine Arts Library visual collections.

The Texas Digital Library. Our unrestricted collections from architecture faculty are part of this library.

Trail: a project under GWLA and CRL for older federal reports.

UC/CDL Calisphere, Avery E. Field Collection, California Museum of Photography, Libraries Water Resources Collection and Archives, University of California's Shared Shelf in ArtStor; California Digital Library's Calisphere.

We are members of FADIS.

We contribute image metadata to aggregated collections (Canadiana and the West Beyond the West). We host image collections, which other institutions have contributed to (BC Bibliography and Chinese Canadian Stories).

We contribute to the Western Waters Digital Library via harvesting using OAI-PMH. The WWDL and the harvester are maintained by the University of Utah.

We participate in Calisphere and the Online Archive of California (OAC). Both of these projects are content developed and hosted by UC Libraries with a web interface developed and hosted by CDL.

We will be contributing to HathiTrust, ArtStor, SharedShelf, and Internet Archive, imminently.

Additional Comments N=2

Our "no" answer assumes that metadata in OAlster does not count as a "shared digital image collection."

We are currently in negotiation with other institutions in the state to do so, but nothing is final.

STORAGE AND DELIVERY

9. Which platforms are used to store digital image databases/resources at your institution? Check all that apply. N=81

Licensed image database provider (i.e., ARTstor)	60	74%
Faculty or institutional/organization server	50	62%
Open source digital repository	49	61%
Proprietary digital repository	36	44%
Open source software	29	36%
Shared digital repository	28	35%
Public photo sharing site	28	35%
Other platform	9	11%

If you selected "Other platform" above, please specify the platform. N=9

Amazon Web Services, DuraCloud, Glacier-cloud, external media: drives, discs

ARTstor Shared Shelf, custom-built websites

Master images are stored on external drives and access images are hosted through proprietary DAM and some duplicate copies available on shared network drive.

MDID

Portable hard drives

SobekCM is the open source digital repository and is a shared digital repository, and runs on Open Source software in addition to being Open Source itself.

Third-party vendor software for online database

We are migrating to DSpace.

Widen Media Collective, Luna Insight, ARTstor

10. Which of the following delivery methods does your library use to provide access to digital image databases/resources? Check all that apply. N=81

For the purposes of this question in-library access refers to a reading room or other monitored space; online means remote access to materials, i.e., not in a monitored space.

Online access to a digital repository system	74	91%
Online exhibition	61	75%
Database search engine	51	63%
Web site browse/directory	50	62%
Search and discovery layer that allows for searching for images within e-resources	47	58%
Third-party access and delivery system	47	58%
In-library access on dedicated computer workstation	23	28%
Online access to a file space	14	17%
Other delivery method	8	10%

If you selected "Other delivery method" above, please briefly describe the method. N=7

For materials where we have permissions/rights and when needed, materials are also sent to partners who have limited Internet access via hard drives and DVDs.

Online access to a MySQL-powered open source web-based image database system, "Streetprint" (similar to Omeka).

Products of customer duplication services are delivered via email attachments, DVDs and third party systems such as Dropbox.

Search engine site maps; OAI-PMH repository

Several thousand images & metadata posted on Flickr.

Staff members retrieve images from portable media and file drop them to patrons.

The Prints and Photographs Online Catalog (PPOC) covers about 95 percent of the library's analog and digital images held in the Prints and Photographs Division. N.B.: The library provides access to some textual content via online access to a commercial digital repository system (ProQuest, etc.), but has not extended this to access digital image assets.

SERVICES

11. What service points support the use of digital image databases/resources at your institution?

Check all that apply. N=80

Specialized unit located in the main library	50	63%
Specialized unit located in a branch or subject library	37	46%
Specialized unit located in a department/faculty	19	24%
No dedicated service unit	17	21%
Other service point(s)	16	20%

Please briefly describe the service point(s) you selected above. N=52

Accessible via Internet from any location.

AKDC is located within Specialized Content and Services division of Rotch Library (architecture). Our other service point is located with our endowing organization, Aga Khan Trust for Culture.

All service points provide service to digital images and databases, based on the researcher's need, although Special Collections is probably the most prominent user and contributor. All actual digitization and reformatting is performed by our Digital Conversion and Media Reformatting unit within our Information Technology Division.

All service points provide support for general image collections, e.g., Colourbox.

Archives and Records Management department; Scholarly Communication and Digital Curation department; Collections Acquisitions and Management department; Collection Development department.

Art history manages "slide library," no dedicated unit in the library.

Art/Architecture branch library; CDRS Services

Both main and branch libraries support the use of digital image databases/resources, but no specialized units within them. Chiefly this happens through the reference desk and Ask-a-Librarian services, as well as a research guide on finding images.

Center for Innovative Teaching and Learning, University Information Technology Services help desks.

Clemons Library has the Robertson Media Center, which collects and manages the video collections, including streaming video.

Dedicated staff at multiple libraries

Digital Collections Center in main library is responsible for creation, metadata, hosting, and access.

Digital Initiatives is a unit located in the main library that serves both internal library units and their scanning needs and external faculty and other campus units.

Digital Library Services Unit

Digital Library Services, the Art & Architecture Library, and the Visual Resources Center are the main services points supporting the use of digital images.

Digital Library Technologies Unit, Visual Resource Center

Digital Projects Librarian at main library: responsible for locally created digital collections. Architecture and Art Librarian: responsible for commercial databases of images and some locally created collections.

Digital Services and Web Services. Former responsible for digitization and metadata, later responsible for repository development.

Digital services in the library, as well as our Special Collections and Oral History collections. We also have two branch libraries that fit this category, Architecture and Veterinary Medicine.

General reference and Special Collections and Archives public services staff provide support in use of these resources.

History of Medicine Division provides the primary service point for the digital image resources at the NLM with the Images in the History of Medicine database. We are currently exploring the use of the NLM Digital Repository for the preservation and possible access support for digital still and moving images.

MAGIS is part of the Government Documents & Maps Department, which has its own reference point in the main library.

Main patron access point is the service desk in the Visual Resources Collection located in the Robert B. Haas Family Arts Library. Library staff in other units routinely refer patron questions regarding digital image use in the Arts and Humanities to the Visual Resources Collection manager; some image reference questions are handled by other reference staff.

Many players; potentially all public service points and many internal units.

Most analog to digital project to date managed by staff in Special Collections and Archives and University Libraries Systems units.

Most image collections are created and managed by a centralized group in the Digitization Centre (part of the Digital Initiatives portfolio) but some other units also create and provide access to image collections, for example, in University Archives and Art, Architecture and Planning.

No dedicated service point

Our Art librarian within the University Library, the staff of the Humanities Division's Visual Resource Center, campus IT staff.

Our facility is a branch library. Within the main library our Special Collections & Archives unit works independently to manage its own digital assets.

Our special collections is the service point and it is located in the Science Library Building.

Rare Books & Special Collections, Digital Humanities, Art/Music Library, Visual Resources Collection (housed in the library, but part of the Department of Art & Art History).

Reference departments support use of licensed electronic databases, librarian selectors "curate" content and use of subject/area specific local image databases.

Reference Services, Course Reserves, GIS data lab

Research & Outreach Services (ROS) department (especially the subject librarian for art), Digital Production Services unit

Scholarly Communication Center, Special Collections, Institute of Jazz Studies

Selected examples include: Digitization Services lab (located in the main library), Fine Arts Visual Resource Center (located in a branch library).

Service desks are provided in our Archives & Special Collections Department on our Ft. Garry campus and in the Medical Archives in the Neil John MacLean Health Sciences Library on our Bannatyne campus.

Service points are in Image Collections & Services unit at UW Bothell Campus Library, part of the UW Libraries system, and in Visual Resources collections in the School of Art and College of Built Environments.

Services in support of digital resources are provided library-wide.

Special Collections and Archives; Rivera Library and Orbach Science Library reference desks; Map Collection (in Orbach Science Library); Water Resources Collection and Archives (in Orbach Science Library).

Support for the use of locally created digital images is provided by a combination of staff in Special Collections and our Digital Research and Publishing Department. Use of licensed image resources is provided by reference staff both in our Main Library and our Art Library.

The Architecture Library manages most of the purchased resources at our institution. They are a branch of the main library.

The curators of the collections offer some support as to the content within the collection. The reference libraries will answer very basic inquiries and will direct inquiries to others who then can provide further information.

The Fine Arts Library and the Special Collections Library, the VRC in the Art Department, the Fralin Art Museum

The library provides access to many of its digital image resources in several reading rooms. As determined by the specific license agreement, access to some digital image resources is limited to the Prints and Photographs Reading Room.

There are various units, groups, and people that support the use of different digital image databases/resources for different support needs. This is done, to some degree, by all faculty and staff in the libraries.

These services are "by appointment only" in the library that primarily serves the School of Architecture and Planning. This is not a "drop in" service point.

These services points include the Help Desk and Archives and Special Collections.

Two special collections reading rooms

Visual Resources Collection and its staff are part of the university library system but located within a branch adjacent to Art/Art History/Design faculty and classrooms.

Web services is in the main library. Information services is in the main library. E-resources is in the main library. The Metadata Unit is part of the cataloging department. Information Services is in the main library. Digital Services is a specialized unit in a branch library where special collections are housed.

Within the main library, Reference provides support for the use of digital images. In addition, Archives & Special Collections, the Art Library, the Music Library, and the Health Sciences Library also provide support. From outside the libraries, the Visual Resources Center supports faculty and student use of their images.

12. Please indicate what types of service are provided for users by each applicable service point. Check all that apply. N=79

Types of Service	Main library	Branch/subject library	Department/faculty	Other service point(s)	N
Finding/locating images	71	48	19	9	77
Assisting with copyright, citing, and permissions	62	38	15	16	73
Creating images (i.e., scanning, digitizing)	58	37	20	13	73
Using local/institutional image databases/resources	62	43	20	10	72
Using licensed image databases/resources	59	44	17	5	69
Saving and storing images	48	28	17	14	65
Posting images for student review and assignments	16	18	24	7	46
Creating presentations	27	19	18	13	45
Other service(s)	4	4	1	0	5
Total Responses	74	54	37	28	79

If you selected "Other service(s)" above, please specify the service. N=4

Access to software to create images.

Digital Library Services unit manages the Kentucky Digital Library.

Metadata creation to support findability by metadata librarians in cataloging; OAI-PMH by web services; long-term management and search engine site maps by digital services unit in branch library (with OIT and OLT support).

We assist with editing and printing of images.

If you selected “Other service point(s)” above, please specify the service point and briefly describe its service. N=22

Academic Technology Center (scanning images, building presentations, image storage) and the Copyright Information Center (for copyright assistance)

Aga Khan Documentation Center, SCS, Aga Khan Trust for Culture

Campus IT provides help with teaching and general tech support.

Center for Teaching Excellence

Chiefly, the Media Commons units: tech support groups that help students and faculty with creative uses of technology. Also a related IT group called Teaching and Learning with Technology focusing on faculty uses.

Computing service

Copyright Office within Libraries and Cultural Resources. Digital Media Commons within main library: support with locating and incorporating images into creative works. Also use of image software. Centre for Scholarly Communications within Libraries and Cultural Resources creates, hosts, disseminates, and preserves digital image collections in a variety of platforms.

Digital Media Services digitizes material for classroom use and reserves.

Finding/locating images: special collection curators, digitization laboratory. Creating images: digitization laboratory. Using licensed image databases/ resources: special collection curators, digitization laboratory.

Fordham Lab at Douglass Library.

General Counsel's Office

Institute Archives and Special Collections, and the Aga Khan Documentation Center (within the Specialized Content and Services, SCS, department)

Instructional Technology Group assists faculty with presentations and course websites.

Open access computer labs managed by campus IT provide access to scanners. Images can also be saved/stored to student or faculty accounts provided by campus IT.

Our IT office has an academic computing division. They will not do the work but offer equipment and instruction for faculty who wish to do the work themselves.

Reference Desk, Ask-a-Librarian service, online research guide

SHANTI

Some selectors and digital image collection creators choose to put files on university server or commercial service. Interlibrary Loan unit is involved with copyright. Video off-air taping copyright is handled by librarian at Sinclair Library (where Audio Visual Center is located).

Special Collections archivists and curators, who seek to promote collections and assist researchers in finding and citing content.

Special Collections provides limited research support, duplication services, and publication permission letters that include known copyright status, required citations, and assessment of commercial use fees.

University Copyright & Licensing Office

Visual Resource Center assists Art faculty and students with using their images in lectures and other presentations.

13. What finding aids does your library provide for locating digital image databases/resources? Check all that apply. N=79

Web page	72	91%
LibGuide	62	79%
Handouts	30	38%
Other type of finding aid	25	32%

If you selected "Other type of finding aid" above, please specify the finding aid. N=25

Archival finding aids.

Archon

Blog for new video art

Content management system

Current use of Metalib allows location of image databases.

Digital Penn web page

Downloadable PDFs. We will be creating EADs, as well as experimenting with different data visualization techniques to display finding aids in intuitive, spatial ways.

EAD

EAD finding aids created by Archives and Special Collections.

EAD-encoded finding aids, digital repository interface, harvesting records out to WorldCat

Electronic bulletin boards (flatscreens) in multiple libraries

Library catalog

N/A at this time

Online database with attached thumbnails, stock photo collection/online exhibit with downloadable zip files of publication quality images

Our catalogue & discovery layer

Past Perfect

PC Prints and Photographs Online Catalog

Real archival finding aids

Special Collections registers

Special Collections units use Archon to deliver finding aids. The Modern Graphic History Library has the largest digital image collection of the Special Collections units.

Summon allows discovery of ARTstor content.

Video links in CMS

Videos

We have a database of over a 1400 EAD finding aids online and full text searchable. 286 of these finding aids contain links to almost 55,000 digitized items.

Working on a finding aids database with EAD marked up finding aids.

14. What method of instruction/training is provided for the use of digital image databases/resources at your library? Check all that apply. N=75

Web pages provided by the library/visual resources staff	59	79%
Workshops provided by the library/visual resources staff	52	69%
Web pages provided by licensed image database provider	39	52%
Web based tutorials provided by licensed image database provider	28	37%
Web based tutorials provided by the library/visual resources staff	18	24%
On-site training provided by licensed image database provider	14	19%
Other method of instruction/training	12	16%

If you selected "Other method of instruction/training" above, please briefly describe the method. N=12

Art department staff train on use of ARTstor.

As needed

In-person reference desk activity. Also, some image use/locating instruction is provided in the course of in-person bibliographic instruction.

Individual faculty and student consultations provided by image curator.

Instruction is part of a credit class, part of library instruction sessions, and one-on-one with users.

Invited class lectures/instruction sessions.

LibGuide: Finding images, Medical images

On demand services

One-on-one consultations with instructors upon request

Reference desk inquiries

Subject librarians create web-based tutorials and/or instruction sessions tailored to specific needs of different subject areas, courses, research projects, etc., and the use of digital image resources is incorporated as appropriate. We do not do generic workshops/tutorials on the use of digital image resources.

“Web-based tutorials” is taken to mean webcasts of one-time live presentations, made available on the library’s webcast page.

15. What method does your library use to promote digital image databases/resources? Check all that apply. N=81

Web page	77	95%
LibGuide	59	73%
Blog	48	59%
Listserv/electronic mail list	32	40%
Newsletter	29	36%
Other method(s)	27	33%

If you selected “Other method(s)” above, please briefly describe the method. N=27

Brochure

Conference presentation, published articles, Twitter, Facebook, individual reference/instruction interactions

Conference presentations

Database trials, subject librarian targeting specific user groups

Exhibits, press releases, social media

Facebook page (2 responses)

Facebook, Pinterest, Social Pin, Twitter

Facebook, Twitter (2 responses)

Flyers and posters as part of a marketing effort in the library building

Printed ephemera

Promotional materials, print and digital

Public display monitors

Social media and internal training

Social media, e.g., Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest (2 responses)

Social media, Facebook, Tumblr

Social media, press releases prepared in collaboration with Marketing & Communications

Subject guides, not specifically LibGuide

Targeted emails to faculty

Training sessions for students

Twitter, Facebook, presentations, instructional modules for freshmen

Videos, in-person presentations, published research articles, news releases, social media tools, etc.

We have several flat screens mounted in public spaces in the main library. These cycle through various slides, which the Art & Architecture Library has used to publicize new image databases.

Webcasts about library digital image collections

Working with departments and university partners to promote to special user groups; Twitter, Facebook (social media)

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

16. Does your library have a collection development policy that explicitly addresses the acquisition of digital images, including licensed image databases/resources? N=78

Digital images are not explicitly addressed	48	62%
Digital images are addressed in a general collection development policy	17	22%
Digital images are addressed in an electronic resources collection policy	7	9%
There is a separate digital images policy	6	8%

Comments N=11

Collection policies are typically format agnostic.

Digital images are addressed in standard agreement materials, as with the deed of gift.

Digital photography is addressed in the collection policy on photography.

Minimally addressed

Part of the Visual Arts collection development policy

Special Collections and Archives acquires material of subject/topic relevance, regardless of format.

There is a policy for videos.

There is a selection guide for the digitization of images [that also includes other types of materials]. I suspect that there is a separate policy for purchased images, but am not sure.

We are in the process of revising all our collection development policies (both general and disciplinary). During this process, we will define the digital images collection policy.

We do have a policy for digitization of our own rare and special collections, but none that addresses all types of acquisition.

We treat digitized collections different from purchased collections. There are different selection criteria for both.

17. Does your library provide copyright guidelines regarding the fair use of digital images? N=81

Yes	71	88%
No	10	12%

If yes, please indicate who implements the guidelines. Check all that apply. N=68

Library	63	93%
Parent institution	26	38%
External organization	5	7%

If an external organization developed the guidelines, please specify the organization. N=5

Aga Khan Trust for Culture
ARTstor
CAUT
Commercial partners, California Digital Library
Legal counsel

18. Does your library provide privacy and publicity guidelines regarding the use of digital images that protect the interests of the person(s) who may be the subject(s) of the work or intellectual creation? N=80

Yes	31	39%
No	49	61%

19. Please indicate which content standards you use to describe your digital images. Check all that apply. N=80

Getty Art & Architecture Thesaurus	52	65%
Library of Congress Thesaurus for Graphic Materials	41	51%
AACR2	41	51%
Getty Union List of Artist Names	31	39%
Cataloging Cultural Objects	26	33%
Describing Archives: A Content Standard (DACS)	24	30%
ICONCLASS	10	13%
No content standard used	4	5%
Other content standard	18	23%

If you selected “Other content standard” above, please specify the standard. N=18

Encyclopaedia of Islam, GeoNames (2 responses)

Library of Congress Name Authorities

Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH) (5 responses)

Library of Congress Subject Headings/LC Authorities

Local guidelines

Local, LCNAF, LCSH

Locally digitized content to date follows guidelines for Dublin Core elements but has not reflected a specific descriptive standard.

None, free text keywords

Rules for Archival Description (RAD)

RDA: Resource Description & Access has replaced AACR2 for most LC original cataloging including still images.

Resource Description and Access (RDA).

Standards developed at the Fogg Art Museum (Harvard)

Various international standards

20. Please indicate which metadata standards you use to describe your digital images. Check all that apply. N=80

Dublin Core	65	81%
Encoded Archival Description (EAD)	40	50%
VRA Core	37	46%
MARC	34	43%
Categories for the Description of Works of Art (CDWA)	5	6%
No metadata standard used	2	3%
Other metadata standard	21	26%

If you selected “Other metadata standard” above, please specify the standard. N=21

ArcheoCore

Darwin Core

In-house metadata schema

Local

METS, MODS

MODS: Metadata Object Description Schema (10 responses)

MODS and all of these are made from automatic transformations supported by the SobekCM software.

MODS, QDC

MODS, RAD, ISAD (G)

MODS/METS, PREMIS

VRA Core, Modified

21. Are locally created images given alt text for accessibility by screen readers? N=78

Yes	30	39%
No	45	58%
Images aren't created locally	3	4%

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

22. Are there research and development initiatives at your institution that involve the use of digital images (e.g., creation of e-learning tools that use digital images, digitization of a special collection for use in a larger project, creation of new research tools that use digital images)? N=80

Yes	65	81%
No	15	19%

If yes, please describe the project and what image collections are being used. N=60

A digital manuscript collection was created in the course of research by an anthropology professor. A digital collection of recipe boxes is currently being created in collaboration with, and to serve the research of, a gastronomy professor. Almost certainly there are other faculty using digital image collections in their research, but we are not involved and unaware of the specifics.

A variety of special collections regularly digitize visual materials, including the Department of Manuscripts and Archives, Arts Library Special Collections, Divinity School Library Special Collections, and Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, sometimes with grant funding.

ArchNet Digital Library, a collaboration between the Aga Khan Trust for Culture and the Aga Khan Documentation Center which is part of the Specialized Content and Services department in the MIT Libraries. ARTEMis (short for ART for Engineering, Math and Science) combines principles of visual communications with the tools of modern computer graphics to create visualization tools. MIT Media Lab's Camera Culture which is exploring how to create new ways to capture and share visual information.

ArchNet Digital Library collaborates with Aga Khan Trust for Culture, Aga Khan Award for Architecture, Aga Khan Historic Cities Programme, Harvard University Fine Arts Library, Aga Khan Program for Islamic Architecture at Harvard

and MIT, DRMI-AKPIA (Disaster Risk Reduction in Village Planning), Aga Khan Building and Planning Services, University of Central Asia.

At present, no R&D within the Libraries FOCUSES on digital images. Many in the Libraries and at the university use digital images as an aspect of a project or as research data.

Being planned for university anniversary.

Biology professor working with us to create a research database of minnows. Public history professors creating small digital libraries/projects to teach students how to create digital libraries/projects. Building science faculty use images from construction of a "green" building on campus to teach a class.

Converting camera RAW to TIFF and creating metadata for two collections of born-digital images. Legacy images and current images will continue to be added to the backlog.

Creating web portal with information about how to cite and use image collections.

Dental Dams: dentistry images for e-learning. GIS projects: maps for e-learning & contribution to other projects.

Development of an image viewer in our discovery tool. Scanning of special collections works in support of research in Jesuit iconography.

Digital humanities projects

Digital humanities project utilizing one of our special collections. Related courses and students actively using the digitized content on their course blog.

Digitization of a special collection (public domain content) for an open access project

Digitization of images supports faculty research and teaching. Collections of images are used in museum exhibitions.

Digitization projects: Lou Wise aerial photographs, John Warkentin Manitoba rural landscapes, Alan Fleming, Toronto Telegram

Great Smoky Mountains Regional Project provides support for researchers at all levels who study the Smokies and the surrounding communities. The project consists of three major areas of emphasis.

I am uncertain of specifics, though I know that such projects are underway as part of digital humanities projects.

Immersive image studio uses images to create 3D immersive experiences.

In support of other's online and monographic publishing efforts

Instructional Design and E-Teaching Unit provides/builds websites related to classroom teaching. University Archives material was used significantly to support sesquicentennial celebration at the university.

Interns in special collections are using digital images to create learning modules and exhibits.

Jefferson Trust Grant to use multi-spectral scanner

Los Angeles Aqueduct Project with other local institutions. Participation in Western Waters Digital Library. Avery E. Field photographs in UC Calisphere.

Maps for our map center

Marcel Breuer Digital Archive, The Plastics Collection

Multiple projects

NEH grant for a play/teacher guide related to Kent State Shootings; May 4 Digital Archive is being used.

Newspapers for Chronicling America

Our Data Curation Program provides data management and data storage solutions to a variety of disciplines in the humanities, sciences and social sciences.

Profiles in Science uses digitized analog and born-digital images from the history of science and medicine. Turning the Pages uses collections of digitized images from rare books and manuscripts. Education Resources from the HMD Exhibition Program uses images from the history of medicine to enhance education modules.

Roman de la Rose digital library image tagging, course titled, "Collecting Hopkins" based on our images from a Mark Dion public art project. We believe there are others but we don't have the data at our fingertips to extrapolate.

Scottish Studies materials, L.M. Montgomery, theatre collections, agricultural history, landscape architecture

SCRC/DLI project: Website that offers primary source material and historical context/lesson plans, etc.

Seward Paper Project

Special collections

The Colorado Coal Collection, a multimedia archive of images, video, and text documenting mining history in Colorado, is currently being digitized. The digital collection will be used by students to create a documentary on the subject. The Special Collections department is digitizing volumes for a history of medicine class. Students are using/citing these sources in their papers. Special Collections digitized a collection of Women Poets of the Romantic Period. A literature class used the materials in a website project.

The digitization of Special Collections materials support wider teaching and research initiatives at the university. Digital Library Services and Special Collections units have digitized a large number of unique holdings and have plans to develop more digital projects in the near future. Concrete examples of this are digital images from the Modern Graphic History Library supporting work in the Sam Fox School of Art and digitized manuscripts written by Gass and Merrill supporting work in the humanities.

The libraries have collaborated with several units within the College of Arts & Sciences to host digital exhibits commemorating historical events of community and research interest, e.g., 50th anniversary of civil rights sit-ins. The libraries have also collaborated with a photography class to create and house a repository of images. The libraries provided instruction on creating metadata and digital rights issues as well as hosting the images. We have also created a crowd-sourcing project for transcribing the digitized text of a local, African American newspaper.

The university and the library are pursuing Open Education Resources, as well as supporting bibliographies that incorporate social media and data visualization.

The university has many current grant projects including some supporting innovative practices using and manipulating images, some for digitization and digital curation of materials, and some for the creation of new works of scholarship and integration with research and teaching using digital images. There's another current grant on Teaching Resources Digital Collection for a repository of teaching materials. These current grants are in addition to ongoing, programmatic work to support and integrate library work and collections with research and teaching.

The Virtual Museum of the Holocaust and the Resistance is one such project.

The Wetlands Digital Collection, curated by the library's Image Collections & Services department, is a repository of research documents, images, maps, and other materials related to the campus wetlands. This is the primary research collection for the wetlands, and is used in faculty research and teaching.

There are hundreds of researchers using images. The same can be said for teaching and learning. From STEM to humanities, social science, and the arts. It would be more concise to answer who is not.

There are numerous initiatives at place presently. One project is examining display of literary correspondence online as a digital edition. We are currently conceiving a project to crowd source transcription, and we are currently digitizing audio broadcasts for use in an exhibit in the fall.

There are special collections such as the Inquisition collection, as well as Architectural Archive materials such as the Seaside Research Portal. These are mostly in the digital exhibit category.

This is the project that is under exploration with the College of Veterinary Medicine. It will involve a test bed of born-digital radiographic images that can be pulled into Moodle.

To give several examples: Congressional Video Project is a joint project between LC and the US House of Representatives Recording Studio to produce live and archived streaming video of House committee proceedings; launched Jan. 17, 2012. "Teaching with Primary Sources from the Library of Congress," a 45-hour online course produced by LC in collaboration with (US) National Public Broadcasting Service's "PBS Teacherline." Five-day Summer Teacher Institutes; in summer 2012, focused on World Digital Library and on LC's digitized U.S. Civil War collections. Primary Source Project Plans and other e-learning tools.

Too many to describe.

Too many to list, really, but a few of them are ArcheoCore, Flowerdew Hundred (in Special Collections), MOOCs, Sahara.

Too numerous to cite.

Varies, including historic images of the campus for upcoming 50th anniversary.

Voinovich Collections project is a collaborative project with George Voinovich School of Leadership and Public Affairs at Ohio University, and Center for Public History + Digital Humanities and the Maxine Goodman Levin College of Urban Affairs at Cleveland State University. Omeka-based web platform featuring documents from the Voinovich gubernatorial, senatorial, and mayoral collections. These documents are selected by faculty from OU and CSU for digitization, to be used in their classrooms. OHIO History project is a collaborative project between the Ohio University administration and University Libraries to create university history learning modules utilizing university archives digitized content. The Omeka-based modules will be required for incoming freshmen.

We are digitizing materials from our Water Resources Archive that will someday be part of a state-wide digital resource. These materials are also being harvested by the Western Waters Digital Library.

We have a Digital Humanities Center in the library that works with these collections and we are also working on getting the collections in K-12 lesson plans.

We have a number of ongoing digitization projects that are producing a variety of digital images of special collection materials.

We have a robust digitization program led by both research and teaching requests, as well as large-scale projects.

We have engaged and continue to explore/build/adapt systems and tools for describing, preserving, maintaining, delivering, and manipulating (context of teaching and research.) A more recent example of tool building is our Image Collections Online service (shared cataloging / web delivery solution for non-manuscript images.) We also commonly digitize special collections for use in a larger project. Again, more recently, we released the War of 1812 project, which

is delivered via Omeka by pulling content from our various services (i.e., Image Collections Online, Finding Aids, etc.)
We have also developed and deployed an open source page turning system, METS Navigator, for facsimile page images (though we've used the page turner for other multi-part objects).

We regularly digitize images from our archival collections and provide online access to them via Omeka and Historypin.

Yes, various, though effort is very distributed.

ASSESSMENT

23. Does your library perform regular assessment of the use of digital image collections for the purpose of adding or cancelling collections? N=80

Yes	48	60%
No	32	40%

If yes, what methods does your library use to assess/evaluate digital image databases/resources?
Check all that apply. N=48

Usage statistics	46	96%
Informal feedback from users	34	71%
Surveys/requests for formal feedback from users	17	35%
Evaluation forms	6	13%
Other assessment method	4	8%

If you selected "Other assessment method" above, please briefly describe the method. N=4

Faculty inquiries

Formal usability testing. The usability reports are also in the digital collections for ease of reference and for ongoing continuity in continuous improvement.

Student project user survey

Usability testing; focus groups

Additional Comments N=2

Assessment is not regular. Google Analytics is pointed to specific pages sporadically upon request. Facebook "Insights" give us some feedback regarding featured images.

Cannot speak to any assessment that may or may not take place for licensed subscription image collections such as ARTstor.

24. Who is responsible for identifying and evaluating digital image databases/resources for acquisition and/or renewal at your library? Check all that apply. N=74

Staff Category	Acquisition	Renewal	N
Subject librarian	60	52	61
Electronic resources librarian	37	40	45
Visual resources staff	26	21	26
Other staff	16	11	17
Total Responses	74	69	74

If you selected "Other staff" above, please specify the staff and their responsibility. N=17

Acquisition

Archivist responsible for digital projects and outreach

Archivists

Archivists and curators for special collections

Digital Collections Center staff

Digital Library Program particularly to answer questions regarding reformatting and ingest to our DAMS.

Often collection development leadership is involved as well.

Renewal

Collection Management Librarian

Acquisition and Renewal

A very collaborative and open process, we have an e-resources review board.

Bibliographers

Coordinator for Collection Services

Curators of special collections, the coordinator for the Digitization Laboratory, and the Library Chief Technology Officer identify and evaluate digital image databases/resources for acquisition and/or renewal at the library.

Head of Acquisitions & Resource Sharing and Assistant Dean for Collections & Access sometimes identify digital image resources for acquisition, and frequently participate in evaluating for renewal/cancellation. We have no staff member with the title "Electronic Resources Librarian," and our staff who work extensively with visual resources are also subject librarians.

Head of Acquisitions and Collection Development

Head, Media Library

Program Head

The Media Librarian chooses all videos regardless of subject.

UML Head Archivist; Medical Archivist; Associate University Librarian (Services to Libraries).

Additional Comment N=1

Architecture and Art Librarian identifies commercial databases for acquisition/renewal. Digital Projects Librarian makes decisions about what local collections to create/acquire.

25. Are commercial products evaluated for accessibility by disabled users? N=75

Yes	30	40%
No	45	60%

26. How important are the following criteria in the evaluation of digital image databases/resources for acquisition and/or renewal? Please select one choice per row. N=72

Criteria	High	Medium	Low	N
Cost	47	24	1	72
Frequency of use	53	17	1	71
Image resolution/quality	49	19	3	71
Faculty demand	67	4	0	71
Subject area	43	26	2	71
Cleared copyright/permissions	41	19	10	70
Accessibility (e.g., alt text/captions that describe the image)	11	34	24	69
Total Responses	72	57	31	72

Comments N=9

Accessibility across the university is receiving significant attention with a new university wide group founded in the past year.

Accessibility is considered but is not overriding. LC does not have "faculty" but our primary customers, members and staff of US Congress, serve the same role in determining how resources are spent.

Accessibility relates to delivery mechanism, not acquisition of special collections materials.

Accessibility will be a higher priority in the future.

Metadata quality is also a high priority criteria.

Most of the existing stats on use are incomplete and difficult to use (ARTstor being the exception.)

Presence of descriptive metadata is becoming an important criteria. We have acquired too many undescribed images in the past.

These criteria mainly apply to commercial databases; for locally created databases, most important are *expected* use/demand, difficulty/cost, cleared copyright, subject area (Image quality is presumably under our control).

We have found that image collections serve departments/disciplines outside of projected use.

27. Please indicate how important each of the following digital image collection characteristics is for teaching, learning, and research at your institution. Please select one choice per row. N=74

Characteristics	High	Medium	Low	N
Ease of use (i.e., incorporating images into presentations, course websites, etc.)	50	20	4	74
Having all the images online in one place	27	32	15	74
Ability to integrate images with other media	15	38	21	74
Having access to a large database of images	54	16	3	73
Having rights to use images in websites, course sites	33	30	10	73
Availability of technical assistance	22	32	19	73
Ability to integrate images from several sources	20	34	19	73
Having rights to use images in publications	19	36	18	73
Having image alt text/captions to provide accessibility	14	21	37	72
Total Responses	69	71	56	74

Comments N=6

Metadata is crucial to the quality of an image database. Size of database is of no value unless images are easily found using a variety of terms and natural language.

My unit provides technical and content creation and description services. The choices listed above would be evaluated by reference librarians/selectors.

Quality metadata accompanying images is highly important.

Technical assistance is an issue with more complicated displays used for interactive medical images.

These answers relate to commercial image databases. Don't have faculty feedback for locally created collections.

Value for money is increasingly important as LC saw a reduction in congressional funding for collection purchases in 2013.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

28. Please enter any additional information that may assist the authors' understanding of your library's digital image collections and services. N=24

ArchNet Digital Library is part of Archnet.org, a collaboration between the Aga Khan Trust for Culture and Aga Khan Documentation Center at MIT. The Program Head of the Documentation Center is also the director of the Digital Library. Curation of the Digital Library is done in the Documentation Center.

At the University of Washington, digitized Special Collections materials are funded and supported by the Main Library. Image database subscriptions (ARTstor, APIImages, and Camio) are funded by the Main Library, the UW Bothell Library, and the UW Tacoma Library, according to a 3-campus funding formula. Instructional image collections (traditional Visual Resources Collections, including images licensed from vendors such as Scholars Resource, Art on File, Archivision,

Bridgeman, Davis, etc., and scanned images from print or other materials) are funded and supported by the UW Bothell Library (in the UW Libraries system), the School of Art, and the College of Built Environments.

Digital Library processes and policies are in the process of becoming more integrated into other library departments.

It's difficult to know the larger image environment on campus. We know that other projects are happening and we hear of other repositories on campus, but building a 1-stop source for all campus images eludes us. Other entities on campus seem determined to go it alone. Increasingly our faculty undertake image searching, retrieval, and production on their own.

Map Collection manages their own digital image collections in terms of acquisition and access with technical support from DNS. Archives is a hybrid. Commercial image systems/collections are handled by selectors, Acquisitions Unit, Serials Unit, Electronic Resources Librarian in varying degrees. Each area/subject department can, and sometimes does, create their own digital image collections or databases and mount them on personal, campus, or commercial systems without consulting or working with DNS. The Preservation unit listed this priority "Develop Library policy for preserving and managing digital resources" in their 2000 collection development statement, but that unit is not officially charged to work with digital image collections. An "Electronic Collections Committee" last met in early 2006. The Electronic Resources Librarian serves on the library Collection Development and Management Committee (CDMC) but to my knowledge there is no separate electronic resources collection development/management statement.

New policy on digitization projects will affect our developments in this area.

Our currently available locally digitized collections can be found at <http://digitalcollections.mcmaster.ca/>. Six digital collections (including both images and textual materials) sourced from our collections are available via Gale Cengage's Archives Unbound platform. We were also contributors to Adam Matthew's "First World War: Personal Experiences" collection.

Our Digital Collections department is part of the Libraries Systems department, but coordinates the digitization with the curators of the special collection libraries on campus. The acquisition of licensed content for users is decided within the main library's general collections staff on campus and not in systems.

Our digital image collections are for the most part not treated separately from our other commercial databases and our other digital assets.

RE: collection development, the most important thing is content. All else is secondary.

Responses are based on in-house special collections content and in-house production, mounted in a content management system.

Some scattered thoughts: In my library, we have prioritized the creation of digital images, but not the acquisition of licensed digital image resources nor services focused on digital images (locally created or licensed). Creation/acquisition, use, and management of digital images is so integrated with other types of collections and services that it is quite difficult to pull this apart and speak exclusively about digital image collections and services. Furthermore, for better or worse, there are very different practices and services, and completely different staff involved with managing licensed vs. locally created digital collections. So the questions in this survey that coupled "digital image databases/resources" were difficult to answer accurately.

The authors might want to consult with visual resources curators; they have been dealing with these issues since the early 1990s. Check the Visual Resources Association web site.

The born digital Media Relations Photo Collection we have been offered (527,000 images) dwarfs our entire inventory of previously scanned photographs. We are focused on clearing our backlog of existing but undescribed files from previous digitization work and establishing scaleable workflow for existing and incoming born digital materials.

The library is undergoing a process of reviewing and defining its digital library policies and practices, including digital images management.

The Library of Congress conducts a number of Web archiving projects that have added 6.9 billion “Web documents” including many images. Projects to digitize LC’s own analog collections have resulted in 37.6 million digital files of which the National Digital Newspaper Program accounts for 5 million, including many images. The World Digital Library accounts for 336,000 “managed images.” The very large scale of these projects, even though not all the items are images, tends to swamp the licensed collections.

We are in a period of tremendous transition and hope to begin to offer a robust digital repository that meets all the criteria discussed in the survey, because our researchers need us to.

We did not include licensed collections that we do not host (e.g., ARTstor and AP Photos) because we license it but we do not hold it and we felt it would skew our responses.

We found ourselves having difficulty answering questions that separate LibGuides from “web pages.” We offer high quality, in-depth subject research guides on our Libraries’ website (WordPress-based). In terms of quality and nature, these research guides are on par with LibGuides. However, they are not hosted at libguides.com.

We have a combination of commercial, licensed remotely hosted collections and local digitized collections.

We have a very old homegrown digital image database.

We have transferred the digital images from our previous Media Library Catalogue (home grown) into Shared Shelf (ARTstor). We are now cataloguing into this product and our local and commercial collections are available as a collection through ARTSTOR2. The Centre for Scholarly Communication facilitates the creation of unique digital collections showcasing University Library, museum, and archival primary holdings and provides the means to share our scholarly output globally.

We subscribe to ARTstor’s Shared Shelf service which allows us to ingest our locally managed collection into the Shared Shelf cataloging environment thereby offering access to the combined general ARTstor collection plus the Yale-VRC collection through the ARTstor interface; A growing percentage of VRC activity is devoted to digitizing materials from our Study Photograph Collection (our entire slide and photo collection was moved to off-site storage in 2007 when the VRC moved to a renovated office in the Arts Library. We have a full range of finding aids for our analog collections, which have made the collection accessible to patrons. We regularly recall analog materials at patron request and digitize materials for online access. There is a steady decline in traditional faculty requests, with the exception of new course offerings in areas not currently well served by existing VRC or ARTstor collections, especially in non-Western subject areas. We license the entire Archivision Archive as a service to the School of Architecture, which is available through our local search interface and through the ARTstor interface.

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August 2013: Paper Work

Jerry Reed

Paper Work 2, 2010

Jerry Reed's black and white abstractions have a quiet lyricism about them—the antithesis of the burgeoning noise of instant and fleeting images that surround us today. Like a perfectly crafted poem, each photograph is a delicate and intriguing balance of forms and shapes, lights and darks. Reed begins by creating a sculpture from paper, which he then illuminates with a hard light. He then photographs these paper constructions close-up, focusing on the contrast of highlights and shadows and the subtle gradations in between. Through this process, he achieves varied effects: whereas some of the photographs capture the dimensionality of the paper constructions, others celebrate the flatness that can be achieved through lighting and framing. Collectively, the photographs underscore the beauty, and even sensuality, of paper as it unfurls, undulates, and turns before our eyes.

To say that Reed's work is strictly a paean to formalism, however, is to ignore the deeper meanings that it communicates, starting with the connotations of the series title, *Paper Work* and broadening to the concept for the project. "Paper Work" not only refers to the paper constructions in Reed's photographs (and perhaps unwittingly to the paper on which he prints his photographs) but also to the tedious documents and forms that constitute "paperwork" in our society. More broadly, the artist argues for social responsibility by re-using paper from other projects to create the constructions he photographs.

His re-use of paper can also be viewed as a metaphor for Reed's engagement with artistic precedents. He cites his inspirations as the 1920s abstract photographers Francis Bruguière (an American who photographed paper cut-outs) and Jaroslav Rössler (of the Czech avant-garde), as well as contemporary photographer Abelardo Morell. Borrowing from and reinventing aspects of photography's history, Reed creates something altogether new and wondrous.

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In order to manage the materials we select and scan from within various collections, we group them by collecting area and format of material. Some of the material in the following collections appears in the subject/theme collections listed above and is best searched and used in that subject context. Other material appears only in these collections and may be discovered through keyword and other searches.

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This site features materials such as photographs, maps, newspapers, posters, reports and other media from the University of Washington Libraries, University of Washington Faculty and Departments, and organizations that have participated in partner projects with the UW Libraries. The collections emphasize rare and unique materials.

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The Modern Graphic History Library at Washington University is comprised of original art and printed material from many fields of popular American pictorial graphic culture. Focusing on 20th century illustration, the collection includes artists' working materials and sketches as well as original artwork from books, magazines, and advertising.

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Oct 15 Spotlight: Mount Horeb History collections
The Mount Horeb Area History collection documents and depicts the early 20th century in Mount Horeb, WI. The collection is comprised of family memoirs, and books. Read about early life in Mount Horeb, when, "As long as you had a fire in the stove,..." [FULL STORY](#)

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About the Visual Resources Collection

Introduction

The Visual Resources Collection (VRC) provides digital images in all areas of visual culture in the Arts and Humanities. The VRC Digital Library contains approximately 300,000 images and grows through faculty requests and general collection development. Faculty are welcome to submit requests for new digital content to be added to this collection. Please contact [Robert Carlucci](#), Manager, Visual Resources Collection to learn more about request procedures or visit us in the Arts Library, 180 York Street, Room B33 on the lower level. *Use of this digital collection is restricted to current faculty, students and staff of Yale University.*

Using the VRC and other Yale Digital Image Collections

Access to the VRC Digital Collection is available through several portals including this page or via the [Yale Digital Collections](#) cross-collection search that encompasses content from other Yale collections including Beinecke Rare Books and Manuscripts, the Department of Manuscripts and Archives, the Department of Classics and the Lewis Walpole Library. In addition, a large selection of the VRC collection is available through [ARTstor](#).

Image Search Features

Simple Search operates as a general keyword search, using one or more terms. The Search Results Page includes features to refine your search by criteria such as Creator or Subject Heading. Individual image pages include hypertext metadata and a selection of related images to assist patrons in discovering content. Advanced Search features include "strict/fuzzy" parameters for each metadata field to handle spelling variations or uncertain terminology. A Guided Search allows patrons to navigate the collection broadly using selected criteria such as Creator or Subject Headings. These search and discovery features are designed to assist all Library patrons, from regular users who visit this Web site often to new or infrequent users seeking additional assistance, in locating images.

Image User Tools

With CAS login, patrons have access to advanced tools including a private workspace to collect images from search sessions and means to create and edit multiple groups of images for personal use or to share with other members of the Yale community. Image groups include a slideshow feature for classroom display and a quiz feature for individual study and exam preparation. Large images (1000 pixels) are available, suitable for PowerPoint presentations.

ARTstor

[ARTstor](#), an initiative of the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, is a subscription-based digital image resource with more than 1,200,000 images of global art and architecture. The ARTstor Web site offers a variety of features useful for teaching support. In addition to content provided by ARTstor, a selection of the Yale Visual Resources Collection is also accessible through the ARTstor interface. This combined collection total more than 1,500,000 images.

Teaching with Digital Media

The Visual Resources Instructional Technologist is available to assist faculty with classroom presentations and strategies for using images in teaching and research. Please contact Carolyn Caizzi to arrange an appointment.

Visual Resources Collection Administration

The VRC is administered jointly under the supervision of Library Access Integration Services (LAIS) and the Robert B. Haas Family Arts Library reflecting the fundamental interconnections between academic content and technology in 21st-Century library services.

History of the Visual Resources Collection

The Visual Resources Collection (VRC) was established in the 1930's to support the curriculum in the fine arts. Study photographs were purchased from the major European photo vendors including Alinari, Brogi and Anderson. The photograph collection eventually reached more than 190,000 items covering every aspect of global art and architecture with particular strengths in European architecture, sculpture and painting. In the early days of the

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slide collection, 3.5 x 4 inch lantern slides, a technology invented in 1849, were the standard format used for classroom presentation. By the 1950's, 35mm color slides began to supplant this mechanism. Over the decades, the slide collection grew to more than 320,000 lantern and 35mm slides with particular strengths in areas of faculty expertise such as Medieval and Renaissance art as well as the arts of Asia. By 2002, the transition to digital technology was underway as new media formats were introduced in the Yale classroom. In 2007, the Office of the Provost provided major funding to digitize 100,000 slides and 30,000 photographs. In less than a decade, the VRC digital image collection has grown to approximately 300,000 images of global art and architecture, one of the largest academic collections in the world.

Accessing the Analog Slide and Photograph Collections

The analog photograph and slide collections were transferred from Street Hall, the former office of the VRC, to the Library Shelving Facility in 2008 and are stored in optimal conditions for long-term preservation. Catalog records for these collections are available in ORBIS and include finding aids to assist patrons in locating materials. Finding Aids are also available in the [Finding Aids Database](#). Please contact Robert Carlucci or Maria Zapata for assistance requesting materials from the analog collections.

Using the Collection Off-Campus

Click the CAS button on the upper left of the page and enter your NetID and password to use digital collections from off-campus. Other library databases (journals, reference resources, etc.) require the use of [VPN](#).

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AlabamaMosaic is a repository of digital materials on Alabama's history, culture, places, and people. Its purpose is to make unique historical treasures from Alabama's archives, libraries, museums, and other repositories electronically accessible to Alabama residents and to students, researchers, and the general public in other states and countries. [More...](#)

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What's New

Photographs of the Maricopa People by Daniel Boone Linderman
As a missionary, teacher, and photographer, Daniel Boone Linderman documented the Pima and Maricopa during the early 20th century. His photographs center on Native American ethnography, particularly showcasing mission schools, group portraits of families and their homes, and farming.

The Writing Life
The Arizona Authors Association collection includes several years of the Arizona Literary Magazine, brochures for sponsored events, photos of book signings, book festival booths, photos of members, and photos of literary contest winners.

Visit Arizona Digital Newspaper Program

The years 1859-1922 represent a time when Arizona grew up. A broad documentation of this valuable history can be found in the newspapers of the day. In accordance with their mission to ensure that Arizona's history is documented and preserved, and in joint effort with the National Endowment for the Humanities and Library of Congress, The Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records is proud to contribute to the National Digital Newspaper Program by digitizing select Arizona newspaper titles from this vital time in history in preparation for global online access. Visit <http://adnp.azlibrary.gov/>

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From the collection...

ASERL members hold deep and extensive collections documenting the history and culture of the American South, developed over hundreds of years to support scholarly research and teaching. Many of the special or unique manuscripts, photographs, books, newspapers, broadsides, and other materials have been digitized to provide broader access to these documents for scholars and students around the world. Civil War in the American South is a collaborative initiative to provide a single, shared point of access to the Civil War digital collections held at many individual libraries.

This site currently links to more than 10,000 items from 30 libraries. The shared collection continues to grow, providing ready access to a world-class collection of primary source materials from the American Civil War era.

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How to Search

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The Digital Library of the Caribbean (dLOC) is a cooperative digital library for resources from and about the Caribbean and circum-Caribbean. dLOC provides access to digitized versions of Caribbean cultural, historical and research materials currently held in archives, libraries, and private collections.

Read the [dLOC Fact Sheet](#) (and more about dLOC), see the [dLOC partners](#), read about dLOC's [Protecting Haitian Patrimony Initiative](#), or [Register for a free mydLOC user account](#). Please [contact us](#) with any questions.

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[The third dLOC newsletter is now online!](#)

In this edition you can learn about the latest dLOC milestones, new collaborations for outreach, content and sustainability, the latest dLOC partner training and summaries of content available in dLOC.

[2012-2013 Financially Supporting dLOC Members](#)

Thank you to the following institutions who have already joined to support dLOC with membership for this year. dLOC relies on the institutional support of its partners and the financial support of institutional and personal members to continue to sustain and grow this important resource.

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The LOUISiana Digital Library (LDL) is an online library of Louisiana institutions that provides over 144,000 digital materials. Its purpose is to make unique historical treasures from the Louisiana institution's archives, libraries, museums, and other repositories in the state electronically accessible to Louisiana residents and to students, researchers, and the general public in other states and countries. The LOUISiana Digital Library contains photographs, maps, manuscript materials, books, oral histories, and more that document history and culture. We hope that you find the items in the Digital Library as diverse and interesting as the people and places in Louisiana.

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How To Get Started.

There are several different ways items can be accessed in the Louisiana Digital Library. Collections may be **Browsed** or **Searched**. By choosing one of the criteria on the **left menu bar**, you may browse across all of the collections based on your selection. The browse options provide hyperlinked results to more specific collections and items based on the chosen criteria.

Collections may be searched by using either the **Search box** located in the **upper-right** of the page or the **Advanced Search** located on the **menu bar** at the top of the page. The Advanced Search allows for item level queries and provides results to individual items based on the search criteria. The Advanced Search feature also allows for collection specific searches.

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The screenshot shows the top of the Brown University Library website. At the top is a dark red banner with the Brown University crest on the left and the text "BROWN LIBRARY" in white serif font. Below the banner is a search bar with the placeholder text "books, media, local digital collections, full-text articles...". To the right of the search bar is a dropdown menu currently set to "Everything". Below the search bar is a "FIND" button and a question mark icon. To the right of the "FIND" button are links for "JOSIAH (catalog)" and "WorldCat". Below the search bar is a section titled "LIBRARY DEPARTMENTS" in a small, light blue font. Under this section is the heading "Digital Production Services" in a larger, bold, dark blue font. Below this heading is a paragraph of text describing the Digital Production Services (DPS) department. This is followed by a section titled "DPS Staff" in a bold, dark blue font, which contains a list of five staff members with their titles. Below the staff list is a section titled "DPS Department Blog" in a bold, dark blue font, which contains a single list item with a red square bullet point and the text "Curio: imaging rare, unusual, and intriguing objects at the Brown University Library".

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LIBRARY DEPARTMENTS

Digital Production Services

Digital Production Services (DPS) is responsible for digitization of materials in support of scholarship, research, and teaching, as well as metadata production and consulting services for Library and academic units undertaking digital projects.

DPS work ranges from projects designed in collaboration with Brown researchers and the Library's Center for Digital Scholarship to the digitization of "signature collections" from Brown's world-renowned Special Collections. DPS also offers imaging and metadata consulting for grants and other University initiatives.

DPS Staff

- Ann Caldwell, Department Head
- Catherine Busselen, Metadata Librarian
- Lindsay Elgin, Digital Photographer
- Robin Wheelwright Ness, Digital Production Specialist
- Ben Tyler, Digital Imaging Specialist

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Digitization

Digital imaging technology has become ubiquitous, but in order to achieve high quality image capture and reproduction DPS adheres to imaging best practices established by the cultural heritage and library communities at large. In addition to the image capture stage, color management workflows and principles are also important to implement in relation to viewing conditions (display environments and monitors) and printing (output devices and materials; DPS does not offer printing services).

Handling guidelines provide instruction on the proper handling of archival and special collections materials during digitization, and are modified for specific projects based on the materials being digitized and their condition. Review of the condition of the materials takes place prior to the beginning of a digitization project and is done in consultation with Preservation staff. Special care is taken with fragile, rolled, or oversize materials.

The various tasks performed by Digital Production Services are tracked by an in-house project management system. From the creation of a digital surrogate entry to the publication of its METS record, the system also records user permissions, equipment and software registration, and provides links directly into the Brown Digital Repository (BDR). Security is integrated with a campus-wide authentication system. [\[top\]](#)

RECOMMENDED IMAGE FORMATS

	File Format	Color Space	Resolution
"Master" (archival) file	8-bit uncompressed TIFF (Tagged Image File Format)	Adobe RGB	For images: 600 ppi (min.) at actual size; for text: 300 ppi (min.) at actual size.
Web-based display files	JPEG and JPEG2000	sRGB	JPEG: assorted thumbnail sizes; JPEG2000: varies per view, up to max resolution of "master" file.

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DPS IMAGING EQUIPMENT & SOFTWARE

	Use Cases	Hardware	Software
Flatbed scanning	For flat, printed materials and photographs	Epson Expression 1640XL and 10000XL	SilverFast v6.4 and v8 (via Adobe Photoshop import plugin)
Negative scanning	Slides and 4x5 transparencies	Nikon Coolscan 5000 (slides); transparency adaptors for Epson Expression 10000XL & 1640XL (4x5 transparencies)	Nikon Scan, Epson Scan

Reprographic cameras	For oversize materials and materials requiring special handling (e.g., book cradles)	PowerPhase FX+ scanback with Schneider Apo-Digitar 120mm lens; Leaf Aptus-II 12 digital back with Schneider Apo-Digitar 72mm lens	Phase One 3.6 (Mac OS 9), Capture One (Mac OS X)
Portable digital cameras	For shots of 3D or in-situ objects/artifacts (also used for events photography)	Leaf Aptus-II 12 digital back with Mamiya/Phase One 645 camera & 80mm lens; Canon 5D Mark II with assorted lenses	Capture One, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Photoshop Lightroom

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Imaging Targets (color swatch and scale references):

- X-Rite ColorChecker cards
- Kodak Color Card
- Image Science Associates targets

Calibration/Profiling software:

- ProfileMaker & i1Profiler (monitors)
- SilverFast IT8 profiling feature + X-Rite neutral gray reference (flatbeds)

Recommended References:

Reference Guides:

- [American Society of Media Photographers, *Digital Photography Best Practices and Workflow*](#) (ASMP Initiative Funded by the Library of Congress)
- [Columbia University Libraries, *Imaging Standards*](#)
- [Cornell University Library, *Moving Theory Into Practice: Digital Imaging Tutorial*](#)
- [Federal Agencies Digitization Guidelines Initiative \(FADGI\): Digitization Guidelines](#)
- [FADGI, *Digital Conversion — Documents and Guidelines, A Bibliographic Reference*](#) (PDF)
- [Getty Research Institute, *Introduction to Imaging*](#) (Revised Edition)
- [UPDIG Coalition, *Universal Photographic Digital Imaging Guidelines*](#)
- [U.S. National Archives and Records Administration \(NARA\), *Technical Guidelines for Digitizing Cultural Heritage Materials: Creation of Raster Image Master Files*](#) (PDF)

Specifications:

- [International Color Consortium](#) (ICC color profiles)

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Digital Collection Services

[Also, see Digital Humanities support. >>](#)

The DLC provides a variety of services for developing, managing, and promoting archival and scholarly assets.

Digital Collection Support: Hosting & Customization

- Creation, hosting, support, and stewardship of digital objects and collections within the UF Digital Collections
- All collections are:
 - Full text searchable
 - Browseable - with browse views by title and thumbnail, and by new items
 - Serve text, image, multimedia, audio, video files, data sets, and more within the same collection
 - Support for multiple file types (text, image, oversized images, video, audio)
 - Powered by rich metadata support, with automatic transformations for maximum interoperability
- Customization of collections
 - Customized collection pages and supplemental pages
 - Customized interfaces (e.g., dLOC and Matheson Historical Museum)
- Collections benefit from central infrastructure - new technologies are added for all (e.g.: map search using the Google Maps API)
- Internationalized/localized interfaces in English, Spanish, and French

Sharing/Access

All records are open and fully available for download and use under the terms of Creative Commons CC0.

- [Open Archives Initiative \(OAI\)](#) compliant
 - UFDC supports the OAI protocol for metadata harvesting (OAI-PMH). OAI allows anyone to obtain records from UFDC for inclusion in their collections. The base URL is: http://ufdc.ufl.edu/sobekcm_oai.aspx?
 - Using the base URL, you can add OAI verbs and other commands. For example:
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 - multiple files connected to one descriptive record
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 - journal volume, issue, title organization
- Broad, internationally applied description methods using METS/MODS Metadata
- Ability to apply controlled vocabularies and name headings

Scholarly Publications & Rights management

- Journal hosting with [Open Journal Systems \(OJS\)](#), supported through the UF Libraries ([more information](#))
- Authors remain the copyright holders
- Library [requests right](#) to distribute content
- Assist with understanding copyright status of work
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- Assist with mandatory deposit of electronic-only publications to the Library of Congress

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- Digitization equipment operated within a color managed environment for artifactual fidelity:
 - large format scanner for maps
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Digital Curation & Stewardship

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- Internships ([internship policy](#); [available internships](#); internships with partners: [Samuel Proctor Oral History Program](#))
- Content Knowledge & Outreach
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 - Bit level archiving
 - Multiple redundant data back-ups provided
 - Migration of various formats supported
 - Ability to archive all format types
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- Digital curation for data sets
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- Digital humanities (speculative computing) project collaboration and supports; see example projects:
 - [Curated online exhibits](#): by scholars and students with scholarly review
 - [Digital Library of the Caribbean : Teaching Materials Collection](#): graduate humanities students developed materials as part of coursework)
 - [Arts of Africa](#): curated online collection from library and museum materials, with related physical exhibit
 - [Digital Vodou](#): curated scholarly archive of primary and research materials
 - Supporting interns, fellows, and visiting scholars
 - Collaborative support on projects (speculative; reflective; interpretive; analytical) and to support existing research enhanced with technology

Authors and Patrons

- [myUFDC](#)
 - self-submittal system for the UF Institutional Repository
 - user tools for saving searches, creating and sharing collections, and many others
- reference support by email, phone, and mail for all collections

Standards Compliant

- [METS Metadata](#)
- Digitization standards followed:
 - High resolution TIFFs or A/V for archiving
 - JPEG2000 format for viewing

Digital Collection Development, Project Management, and Post-Development Tools & Services

- Funding: [Grants](#) and assistance locating other funding opportunities
- Project Development Resources
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 - Annual usability studies
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 - Development of promotional materials (brochures, exhibits, [slideshows](#))
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 - New technologies benefit all when implemented

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ABOUT

The School of Art Image Library (SoAIL) houses: physical work space for faculty who use 35mm slides a collection of 350,000 35mm slides of artwork the image cataloging staff

The slide collection circulates to School of Art faculty, staff, and students; other UW faculty and graduate students; and curators at the Henry Art Gallery, the Burke Museum, and the Seattle Art Museum. The collection is not currently open to UW alumni, other institutions, or the public.

Access to the School of Art's digital image database ([soaMDID](#)) is limited to current School of Art faculty and graduate students and is arranged through the Director of Visual Services, whose office is in the SoAIL.

BLOG

[Simulacrum](#), the SoAIL blog, provides information about image resources for teaching and image presentation tools. Updates are made approximately once a week. Check it regularly or subscribe to the RSS Feed through the link at the bottom of the blog.

SoAIL: Digital Image Database (soaMDID)

Our digital image database, known as [soaMDID](#), provides images that fulfill the unique teaching needs of School of Art faculty. It also provides access to other image collections at the UW and beyond. The soaMDID is a local implementation of the [Madison Digital Image Database \(MDID\)](#) open source software, which was developed at James Madison University.

ACCESSING THE DIGITAL IMAGE COLLECTION (SoaMDID)

The soaMDID can be accessed from any computer with browser software, Flash Player installed, and an internet connection. An account must be set up by the Director of Visual Services. School of Art faculty, teaching assistants, and graduates students are eligible for access. Undergraduate students have indirect access through [online images reserves \(eRes\)](#) for their individual School of Art classes.

A soaMDID user is able to search the database and save groups of selected images in slideshows. One can then choose to use the MDID ImageViewer for presentations or download images for use in other presentation software such as Adobe Acrobat (via pdf creation), PowerPoint, or ARTstor's Offline Image Viewer (OIV).

Other UW faculty and graduate students are not eligible for a soaMDID account, but they may access digital images through the UW Libraries' subscription to [ARTstor](#) or the [UW Image Bank](#). The Image Bank's web page also provides links to other image collections available through the UW Libraries.

HOURS

During quarter
Monday-Friday, 8am-4pm

Interims
Monday-Friday, noon-4pm
Closed during all university holidays

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TRAINING

Once an account has been established, the new user(s) will receive an email from the Director of Visual Services that includes information on scheduling a training session. Group training sessions for School of Art graduate students who are not teaching assistants will be scheduled at least once a year or through a request to the Director of Visual Services. More information can be found on the Visual Services [Vimeo channel](#).

TERMS OF USE

The collections accessed through soaMDID are only for use by current UW School of Art faculty, staff, and students for purposes related to the UW's teaching mission. Other uses may be a violation of the U.S. Copyright Code. Publication is not allowed. By using the soaMDID, account holders are agreeing to these terms.

SoAIL: 35mm Slide Collection

The slide collection circulates to School of Art faculty, staff, and students; other UW faculty and graduate students; and curators at the Henry Art Gallery, the Burke Museum, and the Seattle Art Museum. The collection is not currently open to UW alumni, other institutions, or the public.

ORIENTATION

When visiting the SoAIL for the first time, please ask a staff member for an orientation. We can also provide a map of the collection.

Slide carousels are available for checkout from the SoAIL.

LOAN PERIODS AND RESTRICTIONS

Note: all slides may be placed on hold up to one week prior to checkout.

School of Art (SoA) Faculty

Loan period: 1 week

Faculty with slide-intensive courses are assigned work areas in the SoAIL. People with these spaces do not need to check out slides, provided that the slides remain in their SoAIL work space (except for in-class use). Slides taken to offices or for use in non-class lectures must be checked out.

Non-SoA Faculty and Curators

Loan period: 24 hours

Graduate Students

Loan period: 24 hours (teaching status does not alter loan period)

Undergraduate Students

Loan period: time of class

Slides may be borrowed only for assigned class presentations.

No browsing is allowed; students must be looking for specific artists.

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Replacement of lost or overdue slides is \$10 per slide. Repairs to damaged slides or slide mounts is prorated based on damage.

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UBC licensed resources with multimedia

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- [AccessMedicine](#)
Once logged in, click on the Multimedia tab from the menu at the top of the page for access to numerous video and audio resources from a variety of topics.
- [Anatomy and Physiology Online \(Primal Pictures via OvidSP\)](#)
Includes 19 comprehensive modules on the human body with 3D anatomy images, and integrated physiology content with narrated animations, illustrations, dissection slides you can label, clinical case studies, the impact of aging on each body system, pronunciation guide, quizzes and much more!
- [AnatomyTV \(Primal Pictures via OvidSP\)](#)
Offers 9 regional anatomy systems including over 6500 interactive 3D models of the human body with MRI correlations and detailed text linked to dissection slides, video clips and animations. Rotate any anatomical view 360° to view the interaction of nerves, muscles, ligaments and bones or add/remove layers of anatomy and label any visible structure. Built-in self-assessment quizzes are also included along with a 3D real-time body and regional study guides.
- [Bates: a visual guide to physical examination, 4th ed.](#)
Streaming videos in WMV format. A comprehensive way to teach and refine physical examination skills using the Bates' method. Each lesson is dedicated to a specific body

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system and includes a step-by-step demonstration of appropriate examination techniques.

- [Concept Media Streaming Video Collection](#)
Please see the Table of Contents for the complete list of medical videos in the collection.
- [JAMA](#)
The Journal of the American Medical Association, click on the Multimedia tab to view videos and podcasts.
- [Journals@Ovid](#)
To search for images and diagrams within journal articles in this collection, connect at the URL above, choose the 'search fields' tab, check the 'caption text' box and enter your keyword.
- [MD Consult Core Collection](#)
Quickly search over 50,000 high-quality medical images from the medical books on MD Consult. Images include photos, tables, graphs, and more. Connect to MD Consult using the link above, then click the "Images" tab in the top bar.
- [New England Journal of Medicine](#)
Browse NEJM for videos and images in clinical medicine, interactive medical cases, and weekly NEJM audio summaries. Click on the Articles tab, then on the right side of the menu list, you may view the multimedia types available.
- [Scientific & Medical \(SMART\) Imagebase](#)
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Luna Park, Coney Island. View at night, 1903-14.

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Science Images on the Web

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Odano Naotake, illustrator. Johann Adam Kulmus, author. *Kaitai Shinsho*. Blood Circulation in the Human Body. 1774.

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Searching the Web

If you've ever looked for an image online before, you know that there are millions out there on the web. But, are they the ones you want? How many times have you found what seems to be hundreds of images of a work online, only to discover that they are all just copies of the same, poor quality image that was originally posted years ago by some anonymous blogger? And what about image size? Remember, if you're projecting them in a classroom, you want to get a decently sized image or you will have a mass of pixillation up on your screen. Here are some tips to consider:

Try the library's image collections first.

ARTstor has over a million images, Luna has 400,000. There's a good chance what you need will be there and you will know that the quality will in general be high, the size will be large, and the rights will have already been taken care of.

Is it a work in a museum collection?

Try the museum's website! Museum collections online vary considerably. Some post only a small selection, others attempt to get everything they own up online. Resolution also varies considerably. Some will post only thumbnails while others will allow large sizes to be downloaded. Rights also vary. More museums have recently begun offering their images for free, sometimes just for educational purposes, sometimes with no restrictions.

Is it architecture or public sculpture?

Flickr Commons can be a good place to look for architecture. Some very good photographers post their work there with various degrees of licensing available.

Is the work by a contemporary artist?

Many, if not most, artists now have their own websites. The size of images posted will vary as will the restrictions on use. You must obey the restrictions as set by the artist, but this is always a good place to start.

How can I find large images and weed out the small ones?

Google Advanced Image Search allows you to limit your search by size, color, aspect ratio, usage rights and more.

How do I know if the image is ok to use?

There are a lot of images on the web that have been posted with no attribution or permission. Using images responsibly is a matter of academic integrity. Please see the tabs for **Copyright and Ethics of Image Use**.

Further Resources:

This very useful annotated list of image resources contains many subject areas with links: [How to Find Images on the Internet](#).

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Quick overview of searching for images in the databases Cornell University Library has built or licenses, as well as collections on the open web.

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- Most include selected images.

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The Digital Collections Website is a gateway to the digital collections created and acquired by the UCSD Libraries and designed to support the needs of our undergraduate and graduate students and the public. More than 16,000 digitized items - including photographs, documents and moving images - can be found here. They reflect a range of materials collected, managed and preserved by the UCSD Libraries to support teaching, learning and research. Content has been drawn from the collections of the Arts Library, Mandeville Special Collections Library and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography Library with strengths in the topical areas of Baja California, Melanesia, oceanography, Spanish Civil War, and UCSD campus history.

Where is the Digital Collections Website?

It can be found at <http://libraries.ucsd.edu/digital>.

Who can use the Digital Collections Website?

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What can I do once in the Digital Collections Website?

You can search across several collections or within a single collection, narrowing your search in a variety of ways. Or simply browse the collections by topic, format, collection or library. You can download or print single items.

What is available in the Digital Collections Website?

Currently, we feature over 16,000 digitized photographs, documents and moving images, drawn from the collections of the UCSD Libraries Art Library, Mandeville Special Collections and the Scripps Institution of Oceanography Library.

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What is the technical architecture of the Digital Collections Website?

The Digital Collections Website is an expression of the UCSD Libraries XDRE (eXtensible Digital Resource Environment) framework which is built on the following components: RDF (Resource Descriptive Framework), Solr (search server based on Lucene), JSON (Java Script Object Notation data exchange format), SRB (storage resource broker), ARK (Archival Resource Key) and a Java based development platform. For the Digital Collections Website XDRE produces XML as a web service and uses XSLT, CSS and AJAX to produce the HTML output displayed in the browser.

What is the Digital Object URL and metadata link displayed in the descriptive metadata?

The Digital Object URL and metadata view provides the user with a citable persistent universal resource locator (URL); the technical information about how the digitized item was scanned; and additional descriptive metadata associated with the item that is indexed and searched including alternative titles, abstracts and translations where appropriate.

Searching Tips

The Search (keyword) option is available from the home page and every results page.

About Search:

- For an exact phrase search, enter words and/or phrases surrounded by quotes ("").
 - The default search will look for these words and phrases in titles, names, dates, topics and identifiers.
- To exclude a word or phrase, put a minus sign (-) before it.

- Keyword search does not support Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT). However, entering a multiple keyword search will work like Boolean AND. Results will be returned only when ALL of the keywords appear.
- Searching is not case sensitive. For example, searching for 'dancers solomon islands' or 'DANCERS SOLOMON ISLANDS' will yield the same results.
- Very common words (a, and, the, do, of, etc.) are ignored.
- Results are sorted by relevance and the scoring of a result depends on a number of factors:
 - The more times a search term appears the higher the score. Also matches on rarer terms count more than matches on common terms.
 - If there are multiple terms in a query, the more terms that match, the higher the score.

The Advanced Search option is available from the home page and every results page.

About Advanced Search:

- User can determine which Boolean operator to apply in search:
 - Find all words (AND)
 - Find any word (OR)
 - Without these words (NOT)
- Supports limiting search to specific fields: title, name/creator or topic or expanding search to keyword (title, name/creator, topic and notes).
- Supports searching full text (when available).
- Supports searching all collections or narrowing to a specific collection or multiple collections using check-boxes.

Can I narrow my search results more than once?

Yes. As you can see below, on your search results page, the plus symbol in the Narrow Your Results box allows you to see all possible terms by which you can narrow a search. For example, if you click on the plus symbol next to Topic you will see topics assigned to the items in your search results. To narrow the result set, choose the topics of interest by clicking the box next to each topic and then complete your selection by clicking on the blue Find button at the bottom of the box. Note that you can see all of the topics associated with your result set by clicking on the highlighted Choose more.... You may at any time select additional terms or deselect terms for your results, but always complete your selection by clicking on the blue Find button at the bottom of the box.

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To make an appointment please call (847) 467-1080 or email digitalcollections@northwestern.edu.

The lab is open M-F 9:30am - 5:00pm

Office Visits

One-on-one training and office visits are available by request for help with the same topics that the [workshops cover](#), in a more informal setting and give you more individual attention. Office visits are possible for those who have the necessary software installed in your office. Contact [Julie Rudder](#) for more information.

Help for People Teaching With Media

Digital Collections staff are here to teach you how to use image databases such as [ARTstor](#) and the [Digital Image Library](#). These databases are a great way for you to share images with your students.

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The solar eclipse expedition team readies equipment on the steps of the Ladd Observatory before departing to Sweden

Charles H. Smiley was a professor of Astronomy and director of [Ladd Observatory](#) at Brown University from 1938 -70. During his career, he led fourteen solar eclipse expeditions to far flung locations around the world. Many of these expeditions are documented in scrapbooks and can be viewed in the [Brown Digital Repository](#). The scrapbooks serve as part astronomical log recording scientific data, part photo album, and part travelogue. The Smileys, along with their good friends and colleagues, the Reeds, were fastidious in their collecting of materials for inclusion in the scrapbooks. Everything from cocktail receipts to diplomatic correspondence were carefully pasted into place.

Processing the page images from the scrapbook labeled Sweden was of particular interest to me, having lived for a time in Västergötland myself. The scrapbook documents an astronomical expedition to record the total eclipse of the sun on June 30, 1954. Brown University sent teams to Canada, Pakistan, and Sweden to record the eclipse. An Eastman Kodak executive and two Brown students made up the Canadian team. Charles H. Smiley traveled to Pakistan with Brown Grad student Lt. Somachai Chansuvan, while Smiley's wife Margaret, along with Mary Quirk '22, Constance Herlihy Reed '34, and Donald S. Reed traveled to Sweden, the key point for observations. The scrapbook tells the chronological tale of the trip through ephemera, photographs, postcards, Swedish and American newspaper clippings, letters, and reports on the expedition, all providing a portrait of mid-century travel to Sweden.

Kungälv, Sweden

The expedition team arrived in Gothenburg on May 21st, where they spent some time sightseeing. In early June, the party departed from their lodgings at The Place Hotel, after loading all matter of astronomical equipment onto the roof of a red VW bus, and traveled inland to Småland. The group stayed at Sunda Herrgård, a lake country estate, and searched for the best site to observe the eclipse. Once the site, in a nearby rye field, was decided upon, local farmers helped to construct a cement pier and platform on which to mount the photo-theodolite

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Basic Marketing Plan Components for Promoting New Digital Collections, and for Milestones for Existing Collections

Write standard announcement with subject specialist liaison/curator

- Archive announcement in UFDChelp: <http://ufdc.ufl.edu/ufdchelp>
 - <http://ufdc.ufl.edu/AA00009727/>
- Blog announcement
- Update/add Wikipedia entry.
 - UFDC main:
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/University_of_Florida_Digital_Collections
- Email Cataloging to update/add collection level record
- Update/add to LibGuide(s) as appropriate
- Send announcement to subject specialist UF departments and groups
- Send announcement to the Director of Communications for standard wider distribution venues, which may include:
 - UF PR
 - UF Faculty update newsletter
 - Gator Times
 - Alligator
 - Gainesville Sun
 - Chapter One
 - Library News: <http://guides.uflib.ufl.edu/content.php?pid=16457&sid=270977>
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Additional Lists/Venues to Consider

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- DISC: SUSDIGIT-L@LISTS.UFL.EDU
- SobekCM list: <https://lists.ufl.edu/cgi-bin/wa?A0=SOBEKCM-UPDATES-L>
- SobekCM highlights page: <http://ufdc.ufl.edu/sobekcm/development/highlights>
- Florida Libraries Journal: <http://www.flalib.org/> (see Fall 2011 issue with story on PCM)
- Image collection lists
 - diglib@infoserv.inist.fr
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- D-Lib Magazine: <http://www.dlib.org/>
- FACRL newsletter: <http://facrl.fcla.edu/newsletter/newsletter.html>

- Lyris member newsletter <http://www.lyris.org/News/Member-News.aspx>
- ALA Digital Library of the week: <http://ilovelibraries.org/articles/digitallibrary>
- Scout Report: <http://scout.wisc.edu/Reports/ScoutReport/Current/>
- Archives: SAA and SFA: <http://www.florida-archivists.org/> (check with Archivists to send)
- Technical lists: ASERL ITDIIG and CODE4LIB
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- UF LAC newsletter: LACNEWS-L@lists.ufl.edu
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 - Check with the Map Library and Special Collections for additional promotion, which may include: MAPS-L@listserv.uga.edu
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 - Check with the Map Library and Special Collections for additional promotion, which may include: SHARP-L@listserv.indiana.edu

Consider Additional Opportunities

For instance:

- A PowerPoint of selected items can be shown on the public facing computers in the different libraries
- Webinars on specific digital collections and milestones tend to be popular (NEFLIN, Tampa Bay Library Consortium, and others organize these events)

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Collection News

South Asia: 19th Century & Earlier Imprints

Announcing a new collection of materials, entitled "South Asia: 19th Century & Earlier Imprints", on e-Vols. This digitization project aims to provide better and greater access to South Asia related 19th Century and earlier imprints on a variety of subjects, including folktales, philosophy, and religion. All these materials belong to the collections of Hamilton Library at the University of Hawaii at Manoa and are in the public domain.

Items in this digital collection include title pages, table of contents, and, when available, prefatory notes, and selected illustrations. Links will be provided to the catalog record, and to full text sites, if available. Full text will be provided on e-Vols, if unavailable elsewhere.

This project was conceived and coordinated by Monica Ghosh, South Asia Librarian. The digitizing and metadata was created by Philip Whitford (LIS Intern), in consultation with Jerrold Shiroma (Desktop Network Services), and Beth Tillinghast (Library Information Technology/eVols). Currently, there are 48 titles in the collection, but work on this project is expected to be ongoing, with regular additions to the content.

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Inspiring Images of La Sagrada Familia

Posted on **August 1, 2013** by **Alison**

Photographer **Cyril Bays'** black and white images of **La Sagrada Familia** speak to a place lost in time. Gaudi's final project has been under construction for the last 130 years and completion is still not anticipated for another thirteen years. The intricacies of the cathedral are captured in these images and portray an understanding of the building's slow evolution. Bays' new work is focused on inspiring his viewers; he couldn't have picked a more apt subject.

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What's New

New Resources Bring Fashion, Renaissance to Life

In recent weeks, the Libraries have added several fascinating and useful online tools to the growing pool of [resources](#) available to the WUSTL community.

The [Berg Fashion Library](#) (Oxford University Press) is an online resource now available through the catalog, databases, and [Fashion research guide](#). Featuring fully cross-searchable text and images, it covers world fashion and dress, from pre-history to the present day. The collection includes the [Berg Encyclopedia of World Dress and Fashion](#) online, ebooks, reference works, images, and much more. More information about the content is available [here](#).

[Oxford Bibliographies Online \(OBO\) – Renaissance and Reformation](#) is also newly available online. *OBO Renaissance and Reformation* is a tool to quickly find significant and reliable resources (reference works, books, journals, archives, websites, and more) on selected topics in history and culture from the 14th through the 17th centuries. Articles are written by well-known and respected scholars, including Washington University's Barbara Murphy Bryant Distinguished Professor of Art History, William Wallace (see *Michelangelo Buonarroti*). Updates and new entries will be added on a regular basis. To learn more, visit [About OBO](#). WU Libraries also subscribe to *OBO Islamic Studies* and *OBO Social Work*.

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Collection/Selection Policies

In order to sustain our progress, we must also seek funding, and digitize material which will facilitate in obtaining the support needed to deliver content and services to our target audiences.

The first question that must be addressed when a collection or portion of a collection is considered for digitization is: what is the copyright status of the materials? In a large collection, the copyright status might vary from item to item. This may require that different parts of a collection are more accessible than others. Most material considered for digitization and access on the open Web falls into one of the following three categories:

1. Public domain: works that never were, or are no longer covered by copyright. Works in the public domain may be used without permission. What's in the public domain?
 1. All works published before January 1, 1923.
 2. Works published between 1923 and 1964 and not renewed in the 28th year.
 3. Works published without copyright notice before 1989.
 4. Unpublished works whose author died before 1932; otherwise, the term is life plus 70 years.
2. Works for which the copyright is held by The University of Alabama
3. Works for which we have secured permission to digitize

We may also digitize works for which the copyright status is unknown and which would require research to determine their copyright status. This category also includes Orphan Works, which are works for which the copyright holder has gone out of business (in the case of publishers) or cannot be located. For works in this category, we may choose to provide limited access under the doctrine of Fair Use.

It may also be possible to provide access to digital surrogates for copyright-protected materials, using Fair Use or other provisions in the law. In addition to Fair Use, the Copyright Law provides specific exemptions established for archives and libraries. These provisions in the Copyright Law allow libraries to provide access to copyright protected materials without permission under certain conditions.

Even though the owner may have donated the physical item, the right to digitize the object (see the [Digital_Services_Permission_Agreement](#)) and make it freely available on the web (see our [Copyright_Guidelines](#)) are separate issues, and the owner of the current physical item may not own the copyright. Much content must be turned aside because we are unable to obtain legal permission to digitize and provide open access.

The significance of the collection is the next consideration. Significance depends on a number of indicators, but it is always the subjective judgment of a librarian, archivist, curator, or faculty member. The following questions may be used to establish the significance of a collection:

1. Will experts attest to the importance of the collection?
2. How does it fit into current or potential research activities?
3. How is the collection currently being used? How might digitization increase use of the collection?

collection?

4. Does the intellectual quality of the source materials warrant the level of access made possible by digitization?
5. Will digitization enhance the intellectual value of the material?

Current and Potential Users

There is some evidence that digitization always increases use, but current use is still an important indicator:

1. Are users consulting the proposed source materials?
2. Is current access so difficult that digitization will create a new audience?
3. Will electronic access to these materials enhance their value to users?
4. Does the physical condition of the originals limit their use?
5. Are related materials widely dispersed?
6. Are there librarians or archivists who might collaborate on the project?
7. Will digitization meet the needs of local users?

Organization and Descriptive Metadata

Metadata is also a necessary part of digitization. Descriptive metadata will enable users to find the object via search and retrieval mechanisms; other kinds of metadata will be needed for preservation, administration, online delivery, and reuse. The creation of descriptive metadata generally takes 2/3 of the time needed for any digital project.

No matter how important a collection might be, the collection must be organized and described before it is ready for digitization.

1. Has the collection been organized and processed?
2. Are there MARC records or some other form of catalogued records for the collection?
3. Is there a finding aid - either paper or online?

If the collection has not been organized, organization should be completed before the collection receives further consideration for digitization. If there is no form of description by way of a finding aid, catalogued entries, etc., project planning and project costs will increase. In order to create a finding aid or descriptive records, there must be ample documentation on the collection and the objects in the collection, otherwise the necessary level of search and discovery can not be supported. Users require factual description at the item level.

Existing description should be evaluated by the Metadata Librarian with regard to its quality and potential for metadata harvesting. All description should be brought up to minimum standards for shareable metadata before the digitization project has been completed; this additional work may add significant cost to the overall project.

Relationship to Other Digital Collections

It is important to contribute to "critical mass" of digital materials in the subject whenever possible. By complementing existing online collections, the value of your collection will enhance the subject area and, in turn, the user experience. The following questions can help guide selectors through this aspect of decision making:

1. If published material, has it already been digitized? All? Parts of the collection?
2. Would cooperative digitization effort improve this project? Could you find partners?
3. How does this collection fit in with other digital collections? Will the whole be greater than the sum of the parts?

4. Are there complementary collections in other institutions? Would one of these institutions be interested in partnering?

Formats/Languages/Nature of the Materials

Some formats are more established for digitization and online delivery than others. Currently, we have the equipment necessary to digitize:

1. unbound documents (such as letters) and photos;
2. unbound books in good condition, if not oversized;
3. bound books dependent upon condition, looseness of binding, margins and size;
4. fragile documents, dependent upon archivist recommendations;
5. slides and glass plate negatives
6. artifacts, dependent upon size; and
7. cassette and reel-to-reel (1/4 inch) audio tapes.

We do not currently support the online storage and delivery of video.

Special formats such as newspapers represent another type of material that would require special systems to store and deliver.

Foreign-language materials require project staff who are proficient in the language(s), which may add to the difficulty of assembling the project team. This factor may also add to the expense of the project and the timeline.

Creation of searchable text requires additional time and skills; non-Western languages present challenges. Searchable text in a foreign language requires the user to enter text in this language. In general, the decision to provide searchable text, either corrected or uncorrected, adds considerable expense to a text project and should be evaluated using the other factors noted above.

Another factor related to the format is the condition of the materials. Digitization may serve either a preservation or access need, but most projects address both issues. Digitization may protect fragile items by reducing handling of the originals. However, these materials must be able to withstand the handling necessary for digitization. If the determination has been made that the items can withstand digitization, the condition of the material will also be a factor in deciding whether to outsource digitization or perform the work in-house.

Sources of Funding

Digitization projects are funded with internal university funds and external grant funds. Oftentimes, the funding agency stipulates priorities for funding. The goal is to match a high-priority project with the appropriate funding source. Other funding opportunities may present more difficult challenges, such as requiring a large number of partners or a specific type of partner or specifying very short deadlines for completion of the work, without the possibility of an extension.

The best approach with regard to grant funding is to develop skeletal outlines for digitization projects for a number of important collections and then research potential funding sources. Once a good match has been found, the details of project planning can be finalized, bringing the project in line with funding requirements and evaluative criteria as closely as possible.

Selection references: [\[\[1\]\]](#)

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UBC Library - Digital Collection Development Policy Last revised October 6, 2010

Digitization Strategy Vision

The University of British Columbia Library is a collaborator and leader in the creation, access and preservation of digital materials. The Library's digital initiatives embrace new technology, methods of access, workflows and preservation strategies while building sustainable digital collections to support and enrich the educational, cultural and economic endeavors of the University, the People of British Columbia and communities beyond.

Policy

In considering materials for UBC Library digital collections some broad areas should be considered priorities: British Columbian, materials which directly support the curriculum, Faculty and Student research output, the material record of the University, and those materials which are considered to be rare or unique.

Collection Review Criteria and Questions

Value

1. Does the material have intrinsic value to current students, researchers or the broader community?
2. Is the material something already collected by the Library – does it deepen, broaden or enhance a current collection? Does it build on a current digital collection?
3. Does the material reside in a collection area that is weak or non-existent and does it offer potential research value for possible future programs at the University?
4. Does the material offer possibilities for funding, creating partnerships and collaborations which in themselves strengthen the Library in some way?
5. Is the material likely to be transitory in its current format? E.g. print, audio tape, video tape, cd-rom, dvd, data sets, film, etc. Would digitizing it create value for future research?

Usefulness

1. Does the material support the teaching and research functions of the institution?
2. Does the material support teaching and research within the province?
3. Does the material support broader teaching and research initiatives?
4. What is the likely demand for the material?

Access

1. By reformatting (print, audio tape, video etc.) or placing material in repositories is access broadened? E.g. better metadata for subject access etc.
2. Is material that is fragile in the current format (print, audio, cd, dvd, film) likely to be used more in a digital format?

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The Digital Initiatives Unit is a key part of the Library's effort to adapt to the evolving needs of faculty and students and to support teaching, research and learning at UBC. Our goal is to create sustainable, world-class programs and processes to make the collections and research at UBC available to the world and to ensure the authentic, long-term preservation of these digital holdings for the future.

3. Does the material create a virtual collection of geographically scattered materials?
4. Does the target material duplicate resources already available digitally elsewhere? Could the Library simply point to their use?

Potential

1. Does the material help the Library to strengthen its mandate to explore, research and create using new technologies and formats? (see Digitization Strategy Vision)
2. Does the material provide opportunities for new collaborations?
3. Does the material provide an opportunity to develop and enhance mechanisms for access: metadata, new formats, new tools in scholarly communication etc.?

Available Resources and Technical Feasibility

1. Are there sufficient financial and human resources to complete the entire project?
2. If the project must be done in phases is it likely that there will be resources to complete them?
3. Comparing the resources consumed by the target project to other available projects are there compelling reasons to choose this project over another - preservation, access, value to present or future researchers etc.
4. Is the project ongoing for the foreseeable future? What are the ongoing resource cost estimates for a 3-5 year window?
5. Are the technical challenges so large that the project is likely to become unwieldy or unsustainable? Is the project, as it is currently conceived, simply impossible to do because of the technical challenges?
6. Is it possible to automate much of the technical side of the project to avoid overly labour intensive workflows?
7. What resources are likely to be needed for the ongoing curation of the material?
8. Are there technical issues around curation which need to be considered?

Rights Issues

1. Does the Library hold copyright for the material to be digitized?
2. Does the Library have written documentation from the rights owner allowing it to hold a digital copy of the material?
3. Does the Library require any other permission prior to embarking on the project?

Process

After reviewing the various questions the decision makers will weight criteria under "Value and Usefulness" as essential but the deciding factors are really under "Access and Potential" as most projects would likely stand up to the scrutiny of "Value and Usefulness". In prioritizing projects there should be elements from all criteria present. The issue of available resources and technical feasibility must always be considered and factored into the final decision and lack of resources or technical complexity may be the final deciding factors regardless of the merit of the project.

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Georgia Tech Archives and Records Management Collection Development Policy

Mission

The Georgia Institute of Technology Archives & Records Management collects, preserves, exhibits, and makes available for research institutional archives, manuscripts, personal papers, organizational records, visual materials, rare books, theses, dissertations, sponsored research, and memorabilia. These materials primarily document the history of Georgia Tech and the activities of its faculty, staff, students, and alumni. The department also promotes research and scholarship through collections relating to the academic curriculum, provides a research experience for students in the use of primary sources, and preserves the legal and administrative documents of the Institute. In the latter role, the Georgia Tech Archives administers the Records Management program for the Institute. The Archives always seeks to augment its holdings, through transfer or donation.

Collecting Areas

Institutional Archives/Personal Papers/Organizational Records

The Archives houses the official records of Georgia Tech, which document administrative, research, faculty, student, and staff activities on campus from its establishment in 1885 to the present. The holdings of the Archives include institutional archives, manuscript collections, organizational records, correspondence, monographs, serials, and meeting minutes.

Papers of faculty members are a particular collecting strength, and include those of physicist Joseph Ford, historian Melvin Kranzberg, chemical engineering professor Helen Grenga, and sculptor Julian Harris. Papers of staff members, including those of Dean George Griffin and former librarian and novelist Frances Newman, form another important component of the collection. The activities of students are documented in organizational records such as those of the ANAK Society and DramaTech Theatre, as well as in personal papers such as those of Harold A. "Dutch" Faisst and Lowell Terrell. Papers of administrators, especially those of the Institute's Presidents, feature valuable information on the development of Georgia Tech from its beginnings in 1885 to the present day.

The Archives also maintains subject files and personality files, composed primarily of newspaper clippings, which provide ready reference on a multitude of Georgia Tech subjects.

Visual Materials

The Georgia Tech Photograph Collection, composed of images depicting the campus, faculty, and sports, is the centerpiece of the visual collection. The Visual Materials Collection also includes architectural drawings for some campus buildings, visual collections related to manuscript collections, and materials donated by the Institute, faculty, students and alumni.

Two significant collections of architectural drawings are the Fulton Bag and Cotton Mill Collection and the Aaron French Textile Building Collection.

Notable collections of personal photographs include the Dean George Griffin Photograph Collection, William Anderson Alexander Photograph Collection, and Robert Lee (Bobby) Dodd Photograph Collection, all of which document campus and athletic activities in the twentieth century. Harold Bush-Brown, former Georgia Tech professor, administrator, and architect, also served as district officer for the Historic American Buildings Survey (United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service) in the 1930s; his collection of photographs documents the Historic American Building Survey (HABS).

Digital Collections

In conjunction with the library's Scholarly Communication and Digital Services department, the Archives' digital collections provide access to cultural and historical resources of Georgia Tech. The collections support the instruction, research, and mission of the library and the Institute through collaboration with university faculty, students, and staff. Notable digital collections include "A Photographic Atlas of Selected Regions of the Milky Way," by E.E. Barnard; "Fulton Bag and Cotton Mills"; and "A Thousand Wheels are Set in Motion."

Also, in support of the Library's instructional mission, the Archives developed the campus E-Publication program. The Archives is responsible for identifying and collecting archival materials including campus e-publications, born digital materials, and other archival collections, some of which are selected for digital conversion and web access via the Institutional Repository, SMARTech. Some of the current e-publications are the *Blueprint*, *North Avenue Review*, and *Technique*.

Digital Materials

For inclusion in the Archives' digital repository, materials must fall within the Archives' standard collection policy (see page 1).

In addition, due to the availability of storage space, the Archives must give priority to certain types of electronic materials over others. In descending order of priority, the Archives will use the following criteria to make selection decisions:

1. Top priority given to items that only exist in digital form.
2. Items that are in danger of being lost due to degradation of their medium.
3. Items that are in danger of being lost due to the lack of availability of the necessary hardware to access the item.
4. Digital photographs should be transferred or converted into non-proprietary formats.
5. Items that support teaching and learning at Georgia Tech, e.g. items used in classes or research that may be accessed electronically in ways not possible in paper format.
6. Items that have a high value to the history of Georgia Tech that may be accessed electronically in ways not possible in paper format.

Georgia Tech Design Archives

The Georgia Tech Design Archives (GTDA) collects, preserves, and provides access to materials related to architectural design in the Southeast. The Archives' acquisition of the Heffernan Design Archives Collection serves as the foundation for expanding the architectural collecting area to include locations outside of Georgia Tech proper, specifically focusing on the design and development of the modern South.

For more information, please refer to the GTDA collecting policy.

Science and Technology

Another collecting initiative for the Archives is documenting the impact of Georgia Tech in the fields of science and technology.

As an example, the Joseph F. and Vary T. Coates Papers (MS #175), document science and technology and its potential impact on public policy, especially the activities of the U.S. Congressional Office of Technology Assessment.

Southeastern Textile Industry Records

Graduates of Georgia Tech's School of Textile and Fiber Engineering operated and supported mills throughout the Southeast. Consequently, the Archives houses strong collections pertaining to the textile industry, including the Fulton Bag & Cotton Mill Records, Chipman-Union Mill Records, and the Louis Magid Papers. Related to these records are collections documenting instruction in textile engineering at Georgia Tech, including the Charles A. Jones Papers, and a set of architectural drawings of the A. French Textile Building at Georgia Tech, featured as one of the digital collections of the archives.

The Archives actively collects materials documenting this important Southeastern industry.

Memorabilia

Rat caps, buttons, belt buckles, tickets, cheerleading uniforms, and Buzz bedroom shoes are examples of the treasures found in the Georgia Tech three-dimensional collection. Other acquisitions include gloves and class rings from early women graduates.

Theses and Dissertations

All theses and dissertations are stored electronically in the electronic theses and dissertation collection (ETDs) maintained by the Library's Scholarly Communication and Digital Services department. The program increases access to theses and dissertations by making them available over the Internet without regard to geography or time of day. ETDs also provide valuable institutional records in digital format linked through the Library's catalog. All copies are available on-line via the institutional repository, SMARTech.

<http://smartech.gatech.edu/handle/1853/3739>

The Library continues to maintain one copy of all student theses and dissertations from the early years of Georgia Tech until 2004.

Rare Books

The rare books collection supports and complements Georgia Tech's academic curriculum, with subjects including the history of science and technology, cartography, architecture, and science fiction. Rare book collecting began in 1958 with the acquisition of the first edition of Sir Isaac Newton's *Principia Mathematica* (1687). With this as a cornerstone, the collection was enhanced over the years by the acquisition of the second and third editions of the *Principia*, published in 1713 and 1726. In addition to the *Principia*, the library owns early editions of several other works by Newton, notably *Opticks* (1704), *Universal Arithmetick* (editions published in 1720 and 1769), and *The Method of Fluxions and Infinite Series*, published in 1736. A number of works by contemporaries of Newton such as Pemberton, Keill, and MacLaurin, as well as additional Newtoniana, round out this special collection.

The Library owns the nine-volume Dutch edition of Joan Blaeu's *Grooten Atlas*, or *Atlas Major*, published in Amsterdam in 1664-1665. Seventeenth-century Dutch exploration and commerce culminated in this atlas, one of the most sumptuous cartographic collections ever published. The Library also maintains a supporting collection of works about this atlas and cartography of the era.

Science Fiction

Forming the basis of the Bud Foote Science Fiction Center is a comprehensive collection of books and periodicals in this genre donated to the library by Professor Irving (Bud) Foote. This 9,000+ volume collection has been augmented by an additional 5,000 works of science fiction donated by friends of the library. In addition, noted science fiction writers David Brin and Patrick Malone have donated many of their works to this collection.

Faculty Publications

The Archives collects faculty publications. For electronic publications, please see SMARTech <http://smartech.gatech.edu>.

Records Management

The Records Management Division stores inactive departmental records, the retention of which is required to meet legal and/or fiscal directives. All records created by Georgia Tech are assigned a retention schedule in accordance with the University System of Georgia's Records Retention Guidelines.

Sponsored Research

The Archives collects sponsored research reports. For electronic reports, please see SMARTech <http://smartech.gatech.edu>.

Languages Collected and Excluded

English by far predominates, but materials in foreign languages are not excluded.

Donations to the Archives

The Georgia Tech Archives & Special Collections accepts donations from academic departments, faculty, staff, students, and alumni, as well as outside organizations and individuals. The department's archivists review items offered for donation for their relevance to the collection, preservation and maintenance concerns, and uniqueness. The size, organization, and physical condition of materials are a major consideration in acquisition, because each involves resource commitments. Due to space restrictions, the Archives cannot accept everything it is offered, nor can the Department make guarantees about exhibition or digitization of materials.

The Archives always seeks additional materials related to its current holdings. As the Archives has a very limited budget for purchasing materials, almost all such acquisitions are by gift.

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mission is to further the strategic goals of the UH Library related to digitization and open access: to "build distinctive and unique Hawaiian, Pacific, and Asian collections that benefit the University, the people of Hawai'i, the region, and the world.

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Hawaiian/Pacific Guidelines

Policy and Considerations for Digital Projects - Hawaiian/Pacific Collections - June 2006

Hawaiian/Pacific Collections and appropriate collection development librarians set the priority for materials to be digitized and for cooperative digital projects, in consultation with appropriate colleagues in DNS, Cataloging and Preservation departments, and other collections.

PRIORITY based on:

a. Importance of collection
b. Need to disseminate information
c. Availability of information elsewhere
d. Availability of funding
e. Availability of staffing
f. Form of final digital product (language, where hosted or archived, fee-based or free, etc.)

CONSIDERATIONS

a. Purpose of project
b. Audience
c. Copyright clearance process
d. Funding
e. Description of collection
f. Timeframe
g. Staffing
h. Equipment/Supplies/Workspace
i. Processing, pre and post digitization
j. Digitizing standards and quality control
k. Metadata
l. Access and standardized search method
m. Future considerations
n. Cooperative projects

Prioritization Criteria

Project Evaluation

The following criteria are designed to assess strengths and weaknesses of a proposed project and promote an analytical approach. They should be used to establish a strong rationale when requesting support from internal or external sources but they do not have equal weight, and not all may be relevant to any given project.

* The project provides significant support for research and instruction.
* There are faculty and library advocates for the project.
* The project's intrinsic value will ensure long-term use by a significant audience within and/or beyond the University community.
* The project can be completed with available funding, or has the potential to generate funding through grants, donors, or other external fund sources.

* The project will strengthen or enhance an existing digital resource, become part of an important virtual collection, or support a national initiative such as those sponsored by Association of Research Libraries and Digital Library Federation.
* University of Hawaii has intellectual property rights to the content and can manage any required restrictions to access, or can realistically solve any rights issues.
* The project falls within traditional areas of library service or moves our services in a direction consonant with the Library's strategic directions.

* The project advances sustainable models for scholarly publishing.
* The project brings credit to UH Manoa library in a manner likely to generate further digital library projects and funding.
* The project has local or regional importance, and represents an effort only UH Manoa/Library D-CARP can initiate.
* The project is reasonable, practical, and achievable.
* The project saves money in the long term by eliminating the need to acquire resources, or by freeing up staff time.
* The project creates or sustains a partnership that the library will find valuable for future development.
* There is a compelling argument for digitizing material that is deteriorating.
* The project will expand our technical infrastructure or contribute to the development of national digital library standards.

[adapted from: http://www2.library.ucla.edu/libraries/2639.cfm, accessed 10/30/08]

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Selection Factors

UHM Library holds a large number of collections that would be appropriate for digitization and online access. However, digitization projects are costly and require a commitment of staff time. The following list of criteria is recommended to guide selection of collections of analog materials for conversion to digital format. Selection is an activity led by content managers and specialists with the help of D-CARP.

Copyright Status

What is the copyright status of the materials? Most material considered for digitization and access on the open Web falls into one of the following three categories:

- Public domain: works that never were, or are no longer covered by copyright. Works in the public domain may be used without permission.
- All works published before January 1, 1923.
- Works published between 1923 and 1964 and not renewed in the 28th year.
- Works published without copyright notice before 1989.
- Unpublished works whose author died before 1932; otherwise, the term is life plus 70 years.
- Works for which the copyright is held by the University
- Works for which we have secured permission to digitize

Significance of the Collection

Significance depends on a number of indicators, but it is always the subjective judgment of a librarian, archivist, curator, or faculty member. The following questions may be used to establish the significance of a collection:

- Will experts attest to the importance of the collection?
- How does it fit into current or potential research activities?
- How is the collection currently being used? How might digitization increase use of the collection?
- Does the intellectual quality of the source materials warrant the level of access made possible by digitization?
- Will digitization enhance the intellectual value of the material?

Current and Potential Users

There is some evidence that digitization always increases use, but current use is still an important indicator:

- Are users consulting the proposed source materials?
- Is current access so difficult that digitization will create a new audience?
- Will electronic access to these materials enhance their value to users?
- Does the physical condition of the originals limit their use?
- Will digitization meet the needs of local users?

Organization and Descriptive Metadata

No matter how important a collection might be, the collection must be organized and described before it is ready for digitization.

- Has the collection been organized and processed?
- Are there MARC records or some other form of catalogued records for the collection?
- Is there a finding aid - either paper or online?

If there is no form of description by way of a finding aid, catalogued entries, etc., project planning and project costs will increase.

Relationship to Other Digital Collections

It is important to contribute to "critical mass" of digital materials in the subject whenever possible. By complementing existing online collections, the value of your collection will enhance the subject area and, in turn, the user experience.

- If published material, has it already been digitized? All? Parts of the collection?
- How does this collection fit in with other digital collections? Will the whole be greater than the sum of the parts?
- Are there complementary collections in other institutions?

Formats/Languages/Nature of the Materials

Some formats are more established for digitization and online delivery than others. D-CARP is best equipped to provide sustainable access to text, photographs, other 2-D visual materials, and compressed audio. We do not currently support the online storage and delivery of video.

Foreign-language materials require project staff who are proficient in the language(s), which may add to the difficulty of assembling the project team. Creation of text for non-Western languages requires the creator to enter text in this language and it may not be possible to provide [searchable](#) text, either corrected or uncorrected.

Materials must be able to withstand the handling necessary for digitization. If the determination has been made that the items can withstand digitization, the condition of the material will also be a factor in deciding whether to outsource digitization or perform the work in-house.

Sources of Funding

Digitization projects are funded with internal university funds and external grant funds. The goal is to match a high-priority project with the appropriate funding source. The best approach with regard to grant funding is to develop skeletal outlines for digitization projects for a number of important collections and then research potential funding sources. Once a good match has been found, the details of project planning can be finalized, bringing the project in line with funding requirements and evaluative criteria as closely as possible.

Project Description Form

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Selection Criteria for Digital Projects

[Worksheet \(doc\)](#)

Proposed digital projects must demonstrate viability by providing that there are no impediments that would prevent digitization and must address the significance of the project, so that projects can be evaluated and prioritized by the Committee.

Viability

In order for materials to be considered for digitization they must meet the following four criteria:

1. Duplication of Effort: The proposing Department or Library must demonstrate that the project does not duplicate other digital collections, of comparable quality and openly accessible, available from the University Libraries or from another institution via the web.
2. Restrictions: The proposing Department or Library must demonstrate that project materials are not subject to restrictions by the donor.
3. Copyright: The proposing Department or Library must demonstrate that project materials are either in public domain or that permission has been obtained from copyright holder, and that other uses protected by the Digital Millennium Copyright Act have been satisfied.
4. Extent and level of resource commitment: The proposing Department or Library must demonstrate their commitment to the digital project. This commitment includes: the support of the Department head or Library Director; Department or Library direct funding support or a commitment to seek outside funding support for the project; and a commitment of staff time for developing and undertaking the project.

Significance

All digitization project proposals must address the significance of the project to the University and Libraries missions in terms of one or several following criteria:

1. Programmatic Value: Does the project support current or emerging research or instruction in one or more specific subject areas or support the academic work of one or more defined user groups or information communities?
2. Accessibility/Added Value: Does the project enhance the value and/or the preservation of existing collections by making them more accessible, better integrated, and/or more likely to be used?
3. Historical/Cultural Value: How does the project contribute to the holdings of materials relating to the history and culture of the University, the region, the nation or international communities?
4. Intrinsic Value: Are the materials rare or of some other self-evident value, that the project would contribute to the reputation of the University libraries?
5. Collaborative Value: Does the project promote internal collaboration between or among units of the library, between the library and other University units, and/or external collaboration with other universities or institutions?
6. Developmental Value: Does the project promote a specific developmental or stewardship initiative?
7. Public Service Value: Does the project serve users beyond the immediate University community?

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[Exclusive Rights of Copyright Holders](#) - what your rights might be, or what you are engaged in holder's exclusive right...

[Fair Use Doctrine](#) - what it is, how to apply the four-factor test and use it, and more...

[Public Domain Charts](#) - use these date charts to determine when a work is still protected, the Policy's [Public Domain Chart](#) (revisions with permission for Appendix E (Laura Gasaway, U information on international & unpublished works, plus extensive, helpful footnotes, use the [Public Domain Chart](#) (Peter Hirtle, Cornell). U.S. books 1923-1963 that might not have been renewed domain and thus available for you to use via information on the [Stanford Renewal Data](#)

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Copyright Policies for Collection Managers

In 2005, the Digital Asset Management Task Group on Content worked with university counsel to create guidelines for managers of digital image collections at the University of Colorado. These forms are intended to provide broad and general guidance for creating image collections used in teaching and research by the CU community. CU students, staff, and faculty should direct inquiries to Legal Counsel, University of Colorado.

[Best Practices for Acquiring Digital Content for Image Collection Managers](#)

[Image Collection Managers Checklist for Fair Use of Images](#)

The contents of this document may be integrated into another type of software, such as Excel or an image management software system, to keep electronic records of collection managers' good faith efforts in observing the four factors of fair use.

[When Works Pass Into the Public Domain](#)

Additional Copyright Resources for Collection Managers:

Visual Resources Association

Image Collection Guidelines: The Acquisition and Use of Images in Non-Profit Educational Visual Resources Collections
<http://www.vraweb.org/resources/ipr/guidelines.html>

Digital Image Rights Computator (DIRC)
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Digital Library of the Caribbean (dLOC) Manual Guide to Permissions & Copyright/Public Domain Review

Introduction

In addition to digitizing materials following preservation standards, dLOC further supports preservation and access by ensuring that all applicable rights are respected and supported by seeking Internet distribution permissions as needed. Internet distribution permissions can be required for cultural and documentary heritage rights, privacy rights, and copyright.

This guide provides an overview of rights and responsibilities related to copyright and moral rights for digitization projects. The guide includes step-by-step procedures used by dLOC partners for evaluating rights and requesting permissions.

Permissions-Based Model

dLOC relies on a permissions-based model. In this model, dLOC members request permissions as the primary method for ensuring compliance with copyright, moral rights, and other applicable rights. Using a permissions model allows dLOC to provide equitable support for rights-holders and the public good. This is especially helpful for dLOC as an international collaborative, with different rights protected and understood in different countries and institutions. The permissions model supports discussing rights as a collaborative opportunity. The permissions-based model complements the process of reviewing materials for their status under copyright or within the public domain.

Rights & Responsibilities

Copyright law has changed dramatically in the US in the last 50 years and even more so when viewed on an international scale. Copyright is a property right that seeks to balance the rights of the creator with the rights of the global society. Copyright is but one of many rights and responsibilities that must be considered when digitizing materials. Digitization makes use of new and emerging technologies, technologies whose use may not yet have applicable laws supporting their use for the global public good.

Moral Rights

In addition to copyright, creators may also retain moral rights to their works. Moral rights are generally the creator's right of attribution and right of integrity for the work, but can include many specific rights depending on the type of work and the law of the country. Moral rights are separate from other rights,

and creators retain moral rights even after transferring copyright or ownership of the work. dLOC supports moral rights by ensuring proper attribution is included for materials, for their creators and the partner institution that contributing materials. Moral rights also grant creators the right to integrity which offers protection for holism of the creator's work. dLOC supports these rights again by ensuring that works are presented and preserved as artifacts. The U.S. does not yet fully recognize moral rights, limiting support only to visual art creators' right of attribution, right of integrity, and right to prevent destruction of their work (1990 Visual Artists Rights Act). The U.S. has a reductive view of moral rights compared to many countries. France offers a counter model where moral rights may survive the expiration of copyright.

Cultural Heritage Rights

In many countries, cultural heritage and public institutions have specific additional rights and responsibilities. These may include provisions to support access, preservation, use in teaching, and use in research. These responsibilities may include rights for certain uses that would otherwise be prohibited by the creator's rights.

Copyright

Copyright law varies from country to country. Though many of the Caribbean Basin countries are Berne International Copyright Convention signatory nations, it is often difficult to determine which set of laws to apply or what the term of protection may be from one country to another or, for that matter, from one year to another.

The copyright laws of the European Union and the United States represent the Caribbean's most challenging and longest lasting copyright protections. When in doubt it is often a safe bet to apply the laws of those countries. For assistance understanding United States copyright legislation and duration of protections see: *Cornell University's Copyright Term and the Public Domain in the United States*.¹

When an item selected for digitization is scanned in its country of origin, the laws of the country of origin should be understood to apply. However, when an item selected for digitization is scanned away from its country of origin, consider both the laws of the country of origin and the laws of the location from which the digital resource will be made accessible via the Internet and *apply those laws that afford the item the longest protection*. For content providers using the centralized services of the *Digital Library of the Caribbean*, the laws of that location are the laws of the United States. Applying the longest protections may not be to the advantage of archives, libraries and museums, but this policy affords the *Digital Library of the Caribbean* the greatest protection under the international law.

Permissions, Evaluating for Copyright/Public Domain, and Handling for Orphan Works

Evaluating for Copyright/Public Domain

Evaluation for copyright status will vary based on the jurisdiction, type of materials, whether the work was officially published, and whether the work was created by an individual, corporation, or government. International trade agreements have assisted in standardizing many areas to a default length of copyright and for many it is the life of the author plus either 50 or 70 years.ⁱⁱ Copyright requirements and length are subject to change based on legal changes.

Overview of Permissions

Because of the collaborative opportunities presented by requesting permissions and the complexities of copyright law, dLOC partners focus on requesting and receiving permissions to support the digitization, online access, and long-term preservation of materials.

dLOC partners frequently work with publishers and copyright owners to request permissions. Copyright owners can grant permissions to dLOC through any partner or by contacting the dLOC Coordinator.

dLOC's permissions process has been refined over the course of many years. Currently, dLOC partners use a template letter as a cover letter to send to rights holders along with a template form for the grant of permissions that rights' holders are requested to sign.

The cover letter template provides basic information: on dLOC, the permissions model wherein rights' holders retain all rights, and the included grant of permissions.

The grant of permissions template is the standard agreement signed by all who grant permissions. The grant of permissions explicitly states that the rights' holder is only granting:

- a non-exclusive grant of permissions for on-line and off-line use for an indefinite term. Off-line uses shall be consistent only with the maintenance and preservation of an archival copy.
- Digitization allows dLOC to generate image- and text-based versions as appropriate and to provide and enhance access using search software.

To ensure the permissions model is clearly understood, the grant of permissions also specifically states that dLOC is *not* requesting and is *not* being granted permissions for commercial or for-profit uses.

Overview of the Process to Request Permissions

Requesting permissions does require locating the person or entity holding the rights and sending them the permissions request letter and grant of permissions. Most often, simply locating the person is the most difficult part of this process. Luckily, the Caribbean fosters many rich collaborative networks and often other dLOC partners can assist in locating particular rights' holders.

The dLOC cover letter and grant of permissions templates cover most of the information needed, including:

- the scope of dLOC as a collaborative, international digital library
- where and how the work will be used
- any future uses envisioned
- the specific rights being requested

Partners will need to amend the templates to include the specific creator, title, and item information for the item for which permissions are being requested. Placeholder text in red marks where the information needs to be updated in the templates. The templates are included with this guide and are also available from the dLOC website.

Partners will need to, maintain documentation on the process of requesting permissions: when, where, and to whom permissions have been sent; and similar documentation on any responses received from rights' holders.ⁱⁱⁱ This documentation is important for internal workflows. Further, if the rights' holders prove to be un-findable, the documentation will show due diligence in the process. With this documentation, some institutions will proceed with digitization. For example, some institutions will digitize orphan works for open access online. The works are displayed with a note stating that the institution believes the use to be acceptable per copyright and other laws and requesting that any concerned parties contact the institution, and then providing contact information.^{iv}

Workflow Steps

Evaluating materials for copyright:

1. Review or contact a legal advisor to review the country's copyright laws.^v
 - a. Wikipedia offers a general summary with links to further reading as a first step in this process.^{vi}
2. Note: items published before 1900 are often simple to review, and most often are in the public domain.
3. Determine further research requirements, which may include:
 - a. What are the copyright terms based on (publication date, author death date, material type)?
 - b. For copyright terms based on years after the death of the creator, consult reference materials to determine when the creator died.^{vii}
 - c. Are there any special considerations?
4. Conduct any additional research needed copyright, and conduct research on other rights when needed.
5. Decide on the next action:
 - a. Determine the work is in the public domain.
 - b. Determine the work has an unclear status and request permissions.

Requesting Permissions:

1. Determine the appropriate contact for requesting permissions.
2. Locate contact information for the rights' holder or an appropriate group to forward the request.
 - a. Scholars and others who have been in contact with the rights' holders are often able to pass on the inquiry and/or to share contact information.

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COPYRIGHT STATUS

Many of the digital resources here were created from public domain materials - that is, materials not protected by copyright. However, in many other cases the materials are still within copyright and the owners have only granted permissions for access and preservation. This is the case for many modern materials, including artworks, newspapers, books, oral histories, journals, and more.

Additionally, there are many materials for cases where the rights holder and status was not clear, and so the contributing institution followed normal due diligence to locate the rights holder and, finding none, digitized the materials for access and preservation with a note for any rights holder, if found, to contact the institution. Also, a number of materials have been digitized from the US for creation and presentation as part of a new work, supported as a transformative creation of works under US copyright.

For questions on the status of any materials or for more information on any procedures, please [contact us](#).

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Using Images

Using images presents additional challenges because they often do not have any identifying information printed on them to help identify who owns the copyright of the item. Permission to use an image is most likely still needed, regardless of how difficult it is to find the owner. There are some sources to help find the copyright owner, or there are alternative sources of images that may be useful.

Using Images in Teaching

You may be able to use the images by relying on one of the statutory limitations within copyright law such as [fair use](#) or [section 110 \(1\)](#) which covers face to face teaching. If your use does not fall within one of these, you may need to obtain permission.

Using Images in Publications

This is actually the most frequently asked question at the library regarding copyright. If you want to use an image in a publication, you need to go through the same steps as using any other material. So, you first need to determine whether the material is still covered by copyright protections, whether your use is a fair use, or whether you need to obtain permission from the owner.

Finding A Copyright Owner

This is hard! If the image is not well known, it may be difficult to find the copyright owner. There are a few databases that may be of use though:

[Google Image Search](#) A Google search may reveal who the artist is, if you don't already know. If you use the advanced search features of an image search, you can filter by usage rights.

[ARTStore](#) A digital image library of over 1,000,000 images in the areas of art, architecture, the humanities, and social sciences.

[Artist Rights Registry](#) Once you determine who the artist is, you can check here to see if they are represented and licensing can be determined.

[The Digital Image Rights Computer](#) is a database that walks through a decision tree regarding the use of image. You need to know the copyright status of the image already though for best results.

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Kenneth Crews at Columbia University has compiled an excellent [list](#) of places to look for images that are in the public domain, or that have licenses attached that support noncommercial uses.

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Copyright and Other Restrictions That Apply to Publication/Distribution of Images: Assessing the Risk of Using a P&P Image

This document provides guidance on some of our most frequently asked questions about rights to images in Prints & Photographs Division (P&P) collections:

1. [Can I use an image that I've found in P&P's collections?](#) (This discussion includes information on [how long copyrights last](#))
2. [This all seems complicated when all I need is for you to sign a form giving me permission!](#)
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4. [How should I credit the Library as the source of the images I'm using?](#)
5. [What's the worst that might happen if I decide to publish an image whose rights status is uncertain?](#)

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1. Can I use an image that I've found in the P&P collections?

The answer to this question involves considering other questions:

- a. **What do you know about the rights associated with the image?** ([more about this](#))
and
- b. **How do you plan to use the image?** (For instance, if your use falls under the "fair use" clause in the copyright law, copyright will be less of an issue, though you will need to pay attention to any donor restrictions) ([more about this](#))

Sometimes the answer is very clear. Other times the answer isn't clear at all.

In all cases, it is the researcher's obligation to determine and satisfy copyright or other use restrictions when publishing or otherwise distributing materials found in the Library's collections.

1a. What do you know about the rights associated with the image?

When the Prints & Photographs Division has information about the rights associated with an image or a collection of images, it conveys that information to researchers through catalog records and/or rights statements.

Can you find:

- **An associated catalog record (text giving data about the specific image)** in the [Prints & Photographs Online Catalog](#)? ([more about catalog records](#))
- **A rights and restrictions statement** giving information about rights? ([more about rights and restrictions statements](#))

If no catalog record data or rights statement is available, you will need to find the rights information related

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Fair Use Explained

What is Fair Use?

Fair use provisions of U.S. copyright law allow use of copyrighted materials on a limited basis for specific purposes without the permission of the copyright holder.

Is my use fair? -- The four factor test:

FACTOR	WEIGHING TOWARDS FAIR USE
Purpose of use	Nonprofit, educational, scholarly or research use; Transformative use: repurposing, recontextualizing, creating a new purpose or meaning
Nature or type of work	Published, fact-based content
Amount Used	Using only the amount needed for a given purpose; Using small or less significant amounts
Market Effect	If there would be no effect, or it is not possible to obtain permission to use the work

It is necessary to weigh all four factors to decide whether a fair use exemption seems to apply to a proposed reuse. Courts take a holistic approach -- they do not simply add up a positive or negative for each factor.

Judges have tended to focus on two questions that collapse the four factors:

- Does the use **transform** the material, by using it for a different purpose?
- Was the **amount taken appropriate** to the new purpose?

To help support a fair use case for an image:

- Use lower resolution or thumbnail versions where possible;
- Place the image in a new context or use it for a new purpose; and
- Use only the parts of the image needed for the purpose

In addition to fair use, consider [Using images that are openly available for reuse](#)

Why Copyright and Citation Matter

Properly citing sources protects against plagiarism.

- Plagiarism is using someone else's work without giving them credit. This is a form of academic dishonesty that is considered a serious offense and is handled by university processes.
- Properly citing a work is essential in an academic community but does not protect against copyright infringement.

Following fair use principles protects against copyright infringement.

- Copyright infringement can occur when using someone else's copyrighted work without permission or without a solid fair use case, and is a legal matter handled by the courts.

To make a fair use assessment:

- Review [the four factor test](#)
- Watch the [Fair Use Overview](#)
- Consult the [Codes of Best Practice in Fair Use](#)

Ask the expert

Need help with copyright questions?

Email copyright-lib@mit.edu

Fair Use Overview

Special Considerations for Images

Photographs of people may involve rights of privacy or publicity, state and/or federal laws which limit the use of a person's likeness. Consider:

- Using photographs of people taken in larger public scenes
- Avoiding photographs of famous people, or people engaging in private activities
- Being aware that Publicity rights limit commercial uses

Photographs of works of art may involve the rights of the work's creator/copyright holder. Consider:

- Using photographs of 2-D public domain works -- these are usually not protected by copyright

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To enquire about obtaining rights and images, write to [Media Resources at libmedia@uottawa.ca](mailto:libmedia@uottawa.ca).

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The penalty for illegally using copyrighted materials in a classroom:

- The Copyright Act states that a person found guilty of infringement of public performance may be fined or imprisoned or both.
- The fine can be up to \$25,000.
- Every individual involved in the violation is liable.

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The *Canadian Copyright Act* governs how images of various formats may be used in the classroom.

The *Canadian Copyright Act* applies even if:

- Images are rented, purchased or personally owned;
- Images are only partially shown;
- Images are shown within a non-profit, educational context;
- Images are shown to small groups.

Section 29.7 (3) indicates that images **cannot** be shown in public places, including classrooms, without public performance rights (PPR).

Even if a video is being shown for educational purposes, and where no admission is being charged, you must secure public performance rights (PPR).

Fair dealing is more restrictive than the fair use provisions in the United States, particularly in regards to education and teaching.

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Digital images are electronic resources that need to be used responsibly and with an awareness of copyright and ethical use best practices. Most databases and web sites provide information about how their images can be used. It is important to read this information carefully, and comply with all usage guidelines. Usage guidelines can vary considerably, so be alert to differences and details.

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The UW Copyright Connection provides information about many aspects of copyright, including [Compilations](#), [Music and Images](#) and [Images of Art and People](#).

[Appropriate Use of UW Resources](#) is published by UW Information Technology and provides additional copyright information and guidelines for using electronic resources.

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Checklists

Checklists can help you think about your ethical responsibilities when using images. Use these checklists to help determine if your image use is fair and ethical.

Fair Use Checklists

[Fair Use Analysis Checklist, Cornell University \(pdf\)](#)

[Fair Use Checklist, Columbia University](#)

Ethical Use Checklist

[Ethical Image Use Checklist, UW Libraries \(pdf\)](#)

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Brief Definitions

You may encounter the below terms in your efforts to use images ethically and legally. Brief definitions and links to more information are included here.

Intellectual property

Creative products and results of intellectual work, including designs, images, symbols, art, and architecture.

For more information:

[World Intellectual Property Organization](#)

Copyright

Legal right of creators to control how their works are used by others. Images may be subject to multiple copyright claims, including claims by artists, photographers, designers, institutions, corporations, or others.

For more information:

[UW Copyright Connection](#)

Copyright Term

The period of time a work is covered by copyright. The copyright term is limited by copyright law.

For more information:

[Copyright Term and the Public Domain in the United States \(Cornell University\)](#)

Public Domain

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For more information:

[UW Copyright Connection - Images of Art and People](#)

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A provision in copyright law that allows for the use of copyrighted works under some specific circumstances and for particular purposes such as criticism, comment, scholarship, or research. Fair use is determined by the following four factors (from Chapter 1, Section 107 of the [Copyright Law](#)):

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- the nature of the copyrighted work
- the amount and substantiality of the portion used in relation to the copyrighted work as a whole
- the effect of the use upon the potential market for or value of the copyrighted work

To help you determine if your use is a "fair use," consult one of the fair-use checklists in the box to the right.

Why Fair Use?

"Fair Use is an essential part of copyright law. Its purpose is to allow you to use or quote copyrighted material without permission or payment in order to create new culture"

- from *Fair Use is a Right!* video by Kristian Perry for the [Center for Social Media](#)

[Fair Use Is A Right! from Kristian Perry on Vimeo.](#)

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Ethical Use and Copyright Resources

National Press Photographers Association

National Press Photographers Association (NPPA) Code of Ethics

Ethical guidelines for documentary photography and visual journalism.

[NPPA Ethics in the Age of Digital Photography](#)

Essays on ethics in photography by John Long, NPPA Ethics co-chair and past president. Includes "[Visual Lies](#)," "[Changes to Photographs](#)," and "[Digital Manipulation](#)."

For more information:

[UW Copyright Connection - Fair Use](#)

Open Access

"Free and unrestricted online availability," according to the [Budapest Open Access Initiative](#). Open Access images are typically images that archives, libraries, museums, or copyright holders have chosen to make available online without restrictions on distribution or reuse.

For more information:

[UW Libraries Open Access FAQ](#)

License agreements

Contracts between the UW Libraries and digital content providers that determine how the content can be accessed and used. License agreements are often more restrictive than copyright or fair use laws, and override these other provisions. Terms of Use typically describe how users may use particular databases or resources. An example is [ARTstor's Terms and Conditions of Use](#).

For more information:

[UW Libraries' Responsible Use of Electronic Resources](#)

More definitions

[US Copyright Office FAQ Definitions](#)

[US Copyright Office Definitions](#)

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Center for Social Media at American University

Media-related copyright and Fair Use information, codes, best practices, videos, and toolkits

VRA Fair Use Statement on the Use of Images for Teaching, Research, and Study

Statement on scholarly image use and Fair Use from the Visual Resources Association

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Books on Copyright and Fair Use

Reclaiming Fair Use - Patricia Aufderheide; Peter Jaszi
ISBN: 9780226032276
Publication Date: 2011-08-15

Cutting Across Media - Kembrew McLeod (Editor); Rudolf Kuenzli (Editor)
ISBN: 9780822348115
Publication Date: 2011-07-15

Copyfraud and Other Abuses of Intellectual Property Law - Jason Mazzone
ISBN: 9780804760065
Publication Date: 2011-10-05

Copyright Clarity - Renee Hobbs
ISBN: 9781412981590
Publication Date: 2010-04-07

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 - the nature of the copyrighted work;
 - the amount and substantiality of the portion used in relation to the copyrighted work as a whole; and
 - the effect of the use upon the potential market for or value of the copyrighted work.
 - US Copyright Office: How to Investigate the Copyright Status of a Work (PDF)
- Learn about Public Domain | Copyright Term and the Public Domain Chart (Cornell University)

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- Digital Image Rights Computer (DIRC)

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- Yale University Library Copyright Circulars

Read about Bridgeman Art Library, Ltd. vs Corel Corporation, US District Court, 1998

United Kingdom-based company, which marketed transparencies and CD-ROMs of reproductions of public domain works of art brought suit against Canadian corporation, alleging copyright infringement, violation of the Lanham Act, and unfair competition. Upon defendant's motion for summary judgment dismissing the complaint and plaintiff's cross-motion for partial summary judgment, the District Court, Kaplan, J., held that: (1) United Kingdom-based company's transparencies and CD-ROMs lacked sufficient originality to be copyrightable under United Kingdom law; (2) even if company's images were copyrightable, company did not make out its claim of infringement; and (3) company failed to establish violation of Lanham Act.

- Association of Research Libraries 2007 Know Your Copyrights Brochure for Teaching Faculty
- Center for Social Media Best Practices for Fair Use

With the launch of NGA Images, the National Gallery of Art implements an open access policy for digital images of works of art that the Gallery believes to be in the public domain. Images of these works are now available free of charge for any use, commercial or non-commercial. Users do not need to contact the Gallery for authorization to use these images. NGA Images offers more than 20,000 open access images. [Click here for recent additions.](#)

For more open access images, see ARTstor's Images for Academic Publishing (IAP) Initiative.

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- [American Library Association Information on TEACH Act](#)

- [Stanford University Copyright and Fair Use](#)

Thorough website relating to Fair Use in the educational context.

- [Columbia University Copyright Advisory Office](#)

Thorough website about the relationship of copyright law and higher education organized by Kenneth Crews,

- [North American Coordination Council Japanese Library Resources: Image Use Protocol](#)

Guide for using images from Japan for publication.

- [Creative Commons](#)

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When you need to purchase rights to publish a copyrighted image, look here:

- [Art Resource](#)

Clearing house for the rights of major European and American museums, archives and collections.

- [Artists Rights Society \(ARS\)](#)

Clearing house for the rights of the majority of the artists active in the 20th century.

- [WATCH File](#)

A database of copyright contacts for writers, artists, and prominent figures in other creative fields.

Citation Guidelines*

Digital images, like text, must be cited when used in papers, articles, books, etc. Don't forget citing a digitized version of an image is different than citing the original object. A very good guide that includes how to use images is the 2008 edition of Sylvan Barnet's *A Short Guide to Writing About Art*, which is available through Yale Libraries.

Chicago Manual of Style

[The Chicago Manual of Style](#): Online version of the 15th edition. [See chapter 12](#) for detailed information on artworks. [The Chicago Manual of Style](#) is available also available in print editions at many YUL libraries.

Here is an example of a proper citation for a photograph in Chicago Style. The image was located in the Library of Congress Prints & Photographs Division online catalog.

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Rosener, Ann. "Don't let pretty labels on cans mislead you." 1942. Photograph. Washington D.C., Library of Congress, Prints and Photographs Division, FSA – OWI Collection. <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc/pnp/fsa.8e10753>.

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Rosener, Ann. "Don't let pretty labels on cans mislead you." 1942. Photograph. Washington D.C., Library of Congress, Prints and Photographs Division, FSA – OWI Collection. <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc/pnp/fsa.8e10753> (accessed June 10, 2008).

Additional citation guidelines:

[A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations](#) by Kate L. Turabian is available at numerous Yale Libraries has ample information in a section called Visual Sources. Turabian style indicates paintings, sculptures, photographs, and other artworks should only be cited in notes, not bibliographies. Titles of paintings are italicized while titles of photographs are set in quotation marks.

Examples:

Georgia O'Keeffe, *The Cliff Chimneys*, 1938, Milwaukee Art Museum.

Ann Rosener, "Don't let pretty labels on cans mislead you," 1942. Photograph, Washington D.C., Library of Congress, Prints and Photographs Division, FSA – OWI Collection, <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.pnp/fsa.8e10753>.

APA (American Psychological Association) Style

[Publication manual of the American Psychological Association](#) is available in print at the YUL Libraries.

MLA (Modern Language Association of America) Style

[Using the Principles of MLA Style to Cite and Document \(Online\) Sources](#)

A summary of MLA style as applied to online sources - from the companion website to *Online! A Reference Guide to Using Internet Sources*. Click [here](#) for clear information about citing multimedia sources including works of art in a MLA list of Works Cited.

[MLA handbook for writers of research papers](#) is available in print at the YUL Libraries.

**Provided by Ian McDermott, formerly Assistant Librarian at the Yale Center for British Art*

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Privacy and Publicity Rights

Privacy and publicity rights are separate and distinct issues from copyright. Patrons wanting to use materials from the Library's collections or website are responsible for determining whether privacy and publicity rights need to be addressed, the nature of the item, and considering how it will be used.

While copyright laws protect the copyright owner's property rights in the work, privacy and publicity rights protect the interests of the people who are the subject of the work. Issues pertaining to privacy and publicity may arise when a patron contemplates the use of letters, oral histories, diary entries, photographs, or reportage in visual, audio, and print formats in the Library collections. Because two or more people are often involved in the work (e.g., photographer and subject, interviewer and interviewee) and because of the ease with which various digital media can be reused, photographs, audio files, and motion pictures represent materials in which privacy and publicity issues emerge with some frequency.

The distinctions among privacy rights, publicity rights, and copyright are best illustrated by example: An advertiser wishes to use a photograph for a print advertisement. The advertiser approaches the photographer, who owns the copyright to the photograph, and negotiates a license to use the photograph. The advertiser is also required to determine the relationship between the photographer and the subject of the photograph. A formal relationship, usually a release form signed by the subject, will permit the photographer to license the use of the photograph for all uses. If no formal relationship exists that permits the photographer to license the use of the photograph for all uses, then the advertiser must seek permission from the subject of the photograph because the subject has retained both privacy and publicity rights in the use of their likeness. The publicity right of the subject means that a person's image may not be commercially exploited without consent and possibly compensation.

While copyright is federally protected under the [United States Copyright Act](#), with statutorily described fair use defenses against charges of copyright infringement, neither privacy nor publicity rights are subject to federal law. However, they are subject to state laws; what may be permitted in one state may not be permitted in another. Although fair use is a defense to copyright infringement, it is not a defense to claims of violation of privacy or publicity rights. Causes of action related to privacy and publicity may also be pursued under the federal Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1125 (a), e.g., unauthorized uses of a person's identity in order to create a false endorsement.

While a person's right to privacy generally ends with individual's death, publicity rights associated with the commercial value of an individual's name, image, or voice may continue. For example, many estates or representatives of famous authors, musicians, actors, photographers, politicians, sports figures, celebrities, and other public figures continue to control and license use of those figures' names, likenesses, etc.

Although the risks of using an image for comment or criticism or other non-commercial use may be less than for use in advertising or other commercial purposes, the risk can still be high if the person depicted is held up to ridicule or presented in a libelous manner. While it is true that famous or public figures who seek recognition have thereby surrendered some privacy, they may retain the right to control the commercial use of their image (likeness, voice, signature, etc.). This principle recognizes that a celebrity's image can be an asset in trade.

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Managing Digital Assets

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The University of Alabama (UA) Libraries DigiPres group will determine the need to normalize or migrate files pending loss of access due to obsolescence. Decisions will be made on a cost/benefit basis with consideration for the needs of our stated audience.

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Division of Digital Content

1. **Level I support** is for content digitized in formats and with methods supporting the current archival standards, and for which we have digital rights management permissions and documented access permission. This is our most dedicated level of support. It includes collection of technical and administrative metadata, bit-level preservation, and commitment to migrate content as formats change over the years. An example would be a manuscript collection digitized by Digital Services.
2. **Level II support** is for content which may not have been digitized in currently supported archival formats, but for which The University of Alabama Libraries has committed long term access support, and for which we have digital rights permissions and documented access permissions. An example would be Electronic Theses and Dissertations.
3. **Level III support** is for content which needs to undergo regular change, and hence is not appropriate for inclusion in LOCKSS; however, it is to our benefit to offer bit-level preservation for this content until it needs to change. An example of this would be software necessary for either migration or emulation.
4. **Level IV support** is for content which may not have been digitized in currently supported archival formats, but for which The University of Alabama Libraries has committed short term access support, and for which we have digital rights permissions and documented access permissions. An example would be Undergraduate Research Papers.
5. **Level V support** is for content for which The University of Alabama Libraries has not committed access support, but which is currently managed by Digital Services, and for which we have digital rights permissions. An example would be files digitized at the patron request.

Support Level	Example	Committed to sustain access	Migration Support	Emulation Support	Long Term Retention	Bit-Level Preservation	Annual Review	Local Backups
Level I	Manuscript collection digitized by us	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Level II	Electronic Theses and Dissertations	Possibly	Possibly	Possibly	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Level III	Open source software for rendering archival content	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Level IV	Undergraduate Research Papers	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
	Material							

Level V	digitized at patron request	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes
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Committed to sustain access

Every feasible effort will be made to continue access to this content. This may involve migration to new formats, or development and maintenance of emulation methods. This level of institutional commitment can only be made for content created in current archival format standards. Content not created in current archival standards is much likely to be migratable to new formats. However, if the content continues to be of value and either such migration is feasible and retains the significant properties of the content, or if emulation support is feasible, then continued access will be supported.

Migration Support

1. Formats of archival files and versions of metadata will be stored on the top layer of the file system, in a flat text file exported regularly from the database where all entries to the storage system are entered and monitored regularly for format or metadata migration requirements.
2. Descriptive, administrative, and provenance metadata will be stored in current schemas and formats in the file system as specified.
3. Technical metadata will be extracted from archival files and formatted for storage into appropriate schemas (local profiles are currently under development, drawing from standards such as MIX for images, TextMD for text, AudioMD for audio).
4. Open-source software which renders the current archival format, if available, will be stored in the archive. This will enable migration to newer file formats after the current ones become obsolete.
5. A copy of an open-source operating system which supports the open-source software, if available and feasible, will be stored in the archive.
6. Software and documentation necessary for emulation (recreation of the current user experience of our delivery system) will be stored in the archive.
7. File system information which enables emulation of the operating system to support the file system will be stored with the content.

Emulation Support

1. In addition to the migration support above, open-source software needed for creating derivatives and providing web delivery may be stored in the archive.
2. Documentation of current procedures for recreating the current online user experience may be stored in the archive.

Bit-Level Preservation

1. MD5 checksum scripts will run before each tape backup to verify content is not corrupt, and will notify the repository administrator of any errors. Backup copies of current checksums are stored on a separate server, and scripts on a third separate server verify checking scripts run as scheduled and without error.
2. We are and will continue to be involved in LOCKSS or a similar preservation network, supporting at least 6 copies of the archival content across a geographically disbursed area. All archival content will be made available to this system.

Annual Review

1. Prior to obsolescence, all content will be evaluated for preservation measures, which may involve either migration (reformatting) or emulation. Dependent upon their decisions and the availability of resources and viable migration/emulation methods, efforts will be made to continue accessibility. All preservation measures taken will be recorded.
2. If continued accessibility is deemed infeasible or advised against, online access will end, and stored content and metadata will be deleted.

3. The definition of obsolescence used in these statements is that in which the approved computer systems and software on the University of Alabama Library computers can no longer render viable access to the content in the file without emulation services.

Long Term Retention

1. Digital content will be named according to our file naming scheme and organized according to our file storage scheme on our storage server.

Local Backups

1. The storage system is covered by a weekly full backup and daily differential backups. The weekly full backup is duplicated, and a copy is sent offsite, with at least a two-month rolling backup schedule.

Descriptive Metadata

1. Up to 2 versions of descriptive metadata will be stored, the original and the most recent. Captures will be made quarterly from the delivery software web directories. If the metadata found there is more recent than what is stored, it will be placed in the archive. Version 2 of each metadata file will be overwritten with each new capture.

Our current preservation Network is [[The Alabama Digital Preservation Network](#)

- [Organization of completed content for long-term storage](#)
- [Formats](#)
- [File Naming and Linking for LOCKSS](#)

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Northwestern University

The library at Northwestern University

Digital Image Library

Northwestern University is working on a Hydra head that will provide extensive functionality for its Digital Image Library (DIL).

What is Digital Image Library?

DIL is an implementation of the Hydra technology that provides a repository solution for discovery of and access to images for staff, students, and scholars. It is comprised of three applications: a public-facing search and discovery interface, a restricted workflow management interface (currently in Drupal), and a restricted metadata editor interface (currently in XForms) with an Authority Tool feeding vocabularies from the library's integrated library system (Voyager).

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- Hydra winter meeting
- HydraHead 6.3.0 and ActiveFedora 6.4.0 released
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Background

In 2007 the Library assumed responsibility for the Visual Media Collection (Art History Slide Library) and had to evaluate issues in three major areas of image collection management: digitization and cataloging, service assessment and promotion, and providing tools to make the collection useable. The Visual Media Collection was to become a wider Digital Image Library, thus collections and affiliated services were evaluated to determine how they would integrate with the digital repository and transition from serving one discipline to many. The result was the development of DIL : an institutional repository for images built using the Hydra technology framework and based on the Fedora digital repository system.

DIL is an implementation of the Hydra technology that provides a repository solution for discovery of and access to images for staff, students, and scholars. Some important features are:

- Build custom collection of images using drag-and-drop
- Re-order images within a collection using drag-and-drop
- Nest collections within other collections
- Create details/crops of images
- Zoom, rotate images
- Upload personal images
- Retrieve your own uploads and details from a collection
- Export a collection to a PowerPoint presentation
- Create a group of users and authorize access to your images

Our Hydra application also has a REST API that a robust metadata cataloging tool and a migration process utilize. This Hydra-based API ensures that the objects get indexed in Solr and updated in Fedora, all with simple REST calls.

Avalon

Northwestern University is collaborating with Indiana University on the Avalon Project. Avalon will use Hydra technologies to provide a powerful repository for use with video materials.

University website:

<http://www.northwestern.edu/>

Hydra website:

Digital Image Library (restricted to users with NU NetID)

Status: development

Screencast:

[Digital Image Library](#) (approx 3 minutes)

Digital Project Support Framework

Washington University Digital Implementation Group (DIG)

April 3, 2007

Revision J

1 INTRODUCTION

Recent years have seen the emergence of a number of scholarly digital projects on the Washington University campus. These have ranged from small student projects to larger faculty-driven undertakings such as American Lives. However, several obstacles to further development of such work remain, including long-term preservation, short-term support, a consistent knowledge base, common tool support, and integration of digital materials into larger digital library or repository systems. These problems often limit how these projects are valued as scholarly or pedagogical resources.

The primary purpose of this document is to establish a *lingua franca* for digital projects at Washington University, integrating the perspectives of faculty, library staff, and other interested parties in the University community. A significant step toward such a common understanding is the recognition of the challenges that different members of the community will face as they develop digital projects, and of our shared goals as we develop a University digital library and related infrastructure. This document does not attempt to establish *specific* procedures for accepting and developing digital projects, nor standards that such projects should follow. Instead, it represents an agreement as to what kinds of procedures and standards should be developed on a University-wide basis.

To that end, this document establishes different classes of digital projects as a preliminary step to providing them appropriate support. Explicit criteria as to what support any given project merits remain to be determined at a later date. Eventually decisions regarding the level of support allocated to a proposed project should be made on a consistent rather than an *ad hoc* basis. Furthermore, while the University Libraries have committed to playing a central role in providing such support, this document is not presented from the perspective of the Libraries, or any given school or division of the University, but rather from the University level, so digital projects created by the library would in no way be synonymous with "University projects" described in this document.

In conjunction with other institutional steps, this document also represents a commitment to provide a greater level of support to projects at all levels, and is therefore intended to increase development of digital projects, especially by faculty, and specifically to encourage development of digital projects as a scholarly activity. At the same time, it is intended to encourage this development in a disciplined way that will help to ensure the successful execution of digital projects, and to most effectively leverage the resources available for digital project development.

2 PROPOSAL PURPOSE

This paper describes a framework for handling digital projects at Washington University. The purpose of this framework is to address some of these issues and discuss ways in which the University can structure activities to support these projects.

The issues addressed are:

- Long-term maintenance of digital projects
- Role of a central digital library
- Role of a digital asset repository

3 PROJECT SCOPE - WHAT ARE DIGITAL PROJECTS?

For the purposes of this proposal, digital projects are defined as some combination of scholarly research, research tools, and collections of artifacts that are significantly computer-aided and usually web-based. For example, an interactive literary scholarly edition, a web site that presents an organized collection of digital photos and maps on twelfth century London, or a virtual exploration of the pyramids. What are not addressed by this proposal are interactive databases where the underlying content is expected to change rapidly or over long periods. For example, the student information system and the library catalogue are not covered. The focus, therefore, is on faculty or student-driven scholarly digital projects where the result is somewhat akin to a book, paper, or museum exhibit (in its formal intellectual content, not as media).

3.1 THE STRUCTURE OF A DIGITAL PROJECT

The conceptual structure of scholarly digital projects can be broken down into two general pieces.

1) Content— At the core of a digital project is the content made up of data and metadata. The data is the scholarly material. It may include images, film clips, paper or other text blocks, sound clips, maps, etc. Some of the material may be the work of the scholars involved in the digital project or it may be the work of others. The works may be digital in origin or digitized copies of non-digital work such as scanned images. Whereas the data is the primary scholarly information, the metadata describe information about the data. For example, the data might be a scanned photograph. The metadata might describe who took the photo, when it was taken, and when it was digitized. Metadata is the information needed to classify and catalogue the data. In theory, data with appropriate metadata could be incorporated into other digital archives.

2) Presentation— Presentation includes both tool development, which allows researchers to submit queries and derive specific information from a project's data set, and static presentation, such as the web page and interface of a project. So, for example, a literary archive may have a static web page through which users can call up different editions of an author's work; it may also allow users to pose queries, such as word counts within different documents. The web page is static and the querying tool is dynamic, but both are presentations of the content.

Scholars who wish to build digital projects must recognize the difference between content and presentation if they hope to develop projects that are responsive to research needs and are preservable for the long term. By properly creating data and metadata as separable from the tools and interface through which they are accessed, the content can be re-purposed (in part or in whole) and re-published in other formats, including future formats not yet developed.

In order to provide optimal support for digital projects, Washington University recognizes as a best practice the separation of content from presentation. Specific implementation of this best practice will vary from project to project, and will likely change in response to scholarly needs.

4 NON-PROJECT DIGITAL ASSETS

Not all digital projects properly belong to a digital collection or project. Sometimes members of the University community may create a digital object in isolation—a scanned photograph for classroom use, for example. In the analog past, personal collections of photographs would often be accompanied by clues that gave such objects context, such as writing on the back identifying its subject or when or where it was taken. A significant drawback to digital resources is that they typically have little or none of this kind of identification. Typically, digital assets created for personal use in the classroom are only nominally identified, if at all.

Such assets become problematic when a faculty member approaches the university with curation or delivery requests. These classroom resources may constitute valuable resources that deserve preservation, but the lack of documentation for such a resource would present a significant obstacle to curation.

Washington University hopes to offer a curatorial service for these and other orphaned resources, or non-project digital assets, in the form of a digital asset repository, discussed later in this document. Such a repository will provide a valuable service to the university community, but will also require faculty and other creators of such assets to acknowledge minimal metadata and formatting standards in order to make their resources preservable.

5 WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES?

Three interlocking challenges must be met for successful, long-term scholarly digital project development at the University.

- 1) Duration** – Digital projects are created for various purposes, from limited short-term use in a single course to long-term, broader scholarly use. To complicate matters, the purpose of a project often changes over its lifetime. A project originally conceived as a tool in an individual's research may later be recognized as a valuable resource for an entire community. Finally, and most importantly, long-term preservation remains a stumbling block in the acceptance of projects as long-term investments. Unlike books, which stay fairly stable after publication, digital projects often die when the original creator retires, technology changes, or

when direct funding runs out. One of the goals of this framework is to propose a method to retain digital projects (or their contents) over decades, thus improving their value as scholarly work.

- 2) **Content (digital asset) management** – Content or digital asset management is important to the long-term success of the entire digital library endeavor. By properly segregating content from presentation—and even within these categories, separating data from metadata and static presentation from tool development—projects better ensure their longevity, and help clarify the roles of the scholars and curators involved. Once these pieces of a digital project are elucidated, it is easier for the library to ingest the data, and for scholars to study and share the resources across projects.
- 3) **Value as a scholarly activity** – Finally, digital projects and their contents present the same problem of recognized scholarly effort that any book or paper presents. How does one determine if a project is of scholarly value and should be preserved? There are established mechanisms in the print world for this evaluation. Peer-reviewed journals, book publication procedures, and library selection processes are all part of this process. Currently, similar mechanisms are not as codified in the digital world. Although this framework does not address the issue of scholarly value directly, it does maintain that the University must decide whether a project is worth long-term financial investment.

6 PROPOSAL

There are five elements to this proposed framework:

1. **Recognition of Presentation/Content Structure**
2. **Establishment of a Common Set of Project Definitions**
3. **Establishment of a University Digital Asset Repository**
4. **Establishment of a University Digital Library**
5. **Establishment of a Digital Project Web Portal**

6.1 Presentation/Content Structure

It is important to recognize a distinction between 1) developing and preserving digital content and 2) developing presentation and tools. This distinction will help clarify the responsibilities and investments required of various parties in the development of digital projects.

6.2 Common Set of Project Definitions

The following sections offer categories for describing a digital project's 1) support (divided into four classes), 2) approach to content, and 3) hosting.

6.2.1 Project Classes

A project's class defines how much support the school or University has committed to the project. If a school or the University commits significant support to a project, resources will need to be specifically allocated to the project. This proposal does not

determine how schools, the library, or the University will allocate these resources, since such decisions should be made by the school, library, or university itself.

- **Class 1 – Local Project.** No significant support from either the school or library. The project is completely controlled and developed by the local faculty or student groups. Funding may be from a department or external agency. Operation time length is up to the faculty or students.
- **Class 2 –School Supported Project.** Similar to Class 1 projects except there is significant support by the school. School supported projects will normally be required to meet standards set by the school.
- **Class 3 –University Supported Project.** Similar to Class 1 and 2 projects except there is significant support by the University (via the library and possibly the school). University supported projects will normally be required to meet standard set by the library and/or school.

6.2.2 Content Approach (Project Standards)

A project's content approach refers to whether a project implements standards that allow for data migration and preservation. Content approach can fall into three categories:

- **Type 1—Local Use Only.** In this content approach, data is created with no intention of having it preserved for the long-term or migrated to any third-party system, such as the University Digital Library or the Digital Asset Repository.
- **Type 2 – Storage in Digital Asset Repository.** Directors of a project using this approach would incorporate the minimal metadata and formatting requirements to enable the library to store their data in the Digital Asset Repository. The library would not be required to provide user-friendly interfaces, search functions, etc. for such data.
- **Type 3 –Inclusion in the University Digital Library.** The most labor-intensive content approach, this method incorporates enough metadata and otherwise responds to library requirements for ingestion into the Digital Library. The Digital Library provides at least a minimal infrastructure for retrieving data. Please note that meeting these standards does not guarantee ingestion into the Digital Library; it is simply a minimal requirement for acceptance.

Not all the content of a given project may fall into a single category. Some content may be generated at library archival standards for inclusion into the University Digital Library or Digital Asset Repository while other content may be generated just for use in the local project. Further, a Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3 project (as defined in §6.2.1) may be developed by a project team who plans to operate it for only a few years, but who hopes that the content will be curated for the long term. Thus, content for even a local project may be generated to meet library standards for future inclusion into the University digital

6.2.3 Presentation Approach

Adhering to metadata and formatting standards can help ensure the long-term preservation of a digital project's content, but a project's presentation is less durable. In fact, ongoing developments in data mining and analysis techniques virtually ensure that a given project's presentation will be updated continuously at a local level. Projects that invest in durable, preservable content provide the stable arena in which exploratory and innovative approaches to presentation become possible. Consequently, Washington University encourages projects to invest in durable, preservable content, and to view the upkeep of presentation as a built-in cost of digital projects.

6.2.4 Hosting

Hosting refers to what computer servers are used for the project. Servers, including backup systems, constitute a significant cost of a digital project. There are three general types of hosting:

- **Local hosting**—Hosted on local servers (project-specific, faculty, or student machines).
- **School hosting**—Hosted on school servers.
- **Library hosting**—Hosted on library servers.
- **External hosting**—Hosted on a server not sponsored by a Washington University entity.

6.3 Digital Asset Repository

Previous sections of this document have stressed the need for a Digital Asset Repository, which will hold standardized content that need not be part of any digital project or collection per se. Such a repository would preserve not only isolated digital objects created for classroom use, for example, but could also store stabilized data for projects that have less stable presentations. The Repository should, in other words, act as a clearinghouse for members of the university community who create digital content that meets the Repository's metadata and formatting standards.

The Digital Asset Repository will:

- Promote the use of standardized content
- Ease the problem of search and retrieval
- Promote the re-use of digital assets across multiple projects
- Ensure that even local (Class 1) projects have means to be preserved for the long term
- Encourage project developers to think in terms of content vs. presentation
- Help students quickly learn to design digital projects by providing them with pre-digitized content

The Digital Asset Repository will meet the needs of a wide range of the university community, from faculty and students creating single digital objects to larger research projects that would like to design their own presentations of their data while having the data housed elsewhere.

6.4 Digital Library

As part of their ongoing efforts to support education and scholarship, Washington University is building a core Digital Library that includes digitized versions of materials already held by the Libraries, some scholarly digital work created by faculty, and possibly other licensed resources. The central Digital Library will adopt an appropriate digital asset management system that stores collections, includes metadata that describe them, manages access to these collections, and facilitates delivery to users. It will present and provide access to content across many format types through a single web-based point-of-access site. A central digital production facility will ensure ease of digital creation workflow, conformity to accepted standards, and inclusion in the Digital Library. The University will adopt guidelines for digital projects and a procedure for the development of digital projects including intellectual property issues, creation of metadata, and production support.

6.5 Alternative Digital Services

The Digital Library will be an excellent resource for many members of the university community who are looking to digitize collections. It is important to note, though, that other options, such as building a project whose content is housed on an external server and whose presentation interface is housed on a school server, may better meet the scholarly needs of some researchers. These decisions are best made on a case by case basis after consulting with members of the digital community, such as Digital library Services or the Humanities Digital Workshop.

6.6 The Digital Project Web Portal

Finally, the University will create a digital project web portal that links to all sponsored digital projects on campus. The portal can also include important information such as policy documents and news announcements about digital work at the University.

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<http://dublincore.org/>

Getty Institute. Art & Architecture Thesaurus Online.

<http://www.getty.edu/research/tools/vocabularies/aat/>

VRA Core: a data standard for the description of works of visual culture as well as the images that document them.

<http://www.loc.gov/standards/vracore/>

Websites

Visual Resources Association (VRA)

<http://www.vraweb.org/>

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