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What is HABRI Central?

HABRI Central is an online platform for open research and collaboration into the relationships between humans and animals, specifically companion animals. HABRI Central uses a combination of library resources to facilitate the discovery, access, production, and preservation of human-animal interaction research. A bibliography of references to human-animal interaction literature helps you to discover existing research while a full-text repository allows you to freely access a wide-array of materials and tools. Along with these library resources, community-driven discussion areas, blogs, and user groups all allow you to connect and share knowledge with experts, professionals, and others involved in the study of human-animal interaction. By hosting all of these features in an easily accessible and centralized way, HABRI Central helps unite those involved in the study of human-animal interaction across disciplines while simultaneously lowering access barriers that might prevent the free flow of information among them.

Who is responsible for HABRI Central?

HABRI Central is the result of a joint effort between Purdue University’s College of Veterinary Medicine and Purdue University Libraries.

How is HABRI Central funded?

There are many costs involved in maintaining a library like HABRI Central. However, HABRI Central is committed to providing information and resources for the study of human-animal interaction at no cost to users. We are only able to do this thanks to the generous support provided by the HABRI Foundation. The HABRI Foundation is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to improving the understanding of the human-animal bond to improve outcomes for both humans and animals. More information about the HABRI Foundation and its aims can be found at HABRI.org.
How is HABRI Central governed?

HABRI Central receives input and guidance from two different advisory boards to develop and maintain its editorial policies and to guide its operation.

Management Advisory Board

HABRI Central is operated by staff at Purdue University. It receives additional guidance through a board of individuals involved in academia, medicine, industry, and other areas related to human-animal interaction. The Management Advisory Board convenes twice per year to discuss issues that affect the operation and sustainability of HABRI Central. Within the Management Advisory Board, seats are reserved for the chair of the HABRI Foundation’s Research Workgroup, the present manager of HABRI Central, and the chair of the Editorial Board.

Editorial Board

HABRI Central’s editorial policy is governed by an editorial board of experts and professionals from various fields related to human-animal interaction. The HABRI Central Editorial Board meets regularly to discuss the editorial scope of the site’s content. The Pets & People book series, while associated with HABRI Central, has a separate editorial board composed of members of the Steering Committee on Human-Animal Interactions of the AVMA.

How can I contact the HABRI Central staff?

HABRI Central is based at Purdue University in Stewart Center, Room 310, 301 W State St, West Lafayette, IN 47907. For general inquiries, please use the following email addresses:

General information: adminstaff@habricentral.org
Help & support: support@habricentral.org
Repository content & policies: repository@habricentral.org
Bibliography content & policies: bibliography@habricentral.org
Tags & controlled vocabulary: taxonomy@habricentral.org

How can users help?

HABRI Central depends on its users to maintain coverage of all areas of human-animal interaction. Without your help, we cannot provide a comprehensive survey of human-animal interaction.There are simply too many people working among too many different disciplines for one group to cover it all. By submitting your work to the repository, sharing your opinions in the forum, or by collaborating with others through our groups, your participation is essential to building and sharing a broad understanding of human-animal interaction with others. Whether you are a veterinarian, a nurse, a shelter worker, a government official, a teacher, a pet owner, a student, or a scholar, your unique perspective is invaluable to the community. By sharing it with others through HABRI Central, you will be helping to improve everyone’s understanding of the countless ways in which animals and people affect each others’ lives.
Representative Documents: HABRI Central

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The HABRI Designated Community

HABRI Central will be aimed at diverse, international audience comprising academic researchers, prospective experts in both human and animal health, government, and non-government officials interested in reducing the social implications of human-animal interaction, and the wider public — many of whom are recognized to be highly involved and interested in these issues. One characteristic of human-animal bond studies is that there are many people engaged in activities such as animal-assisted therapy, on a volunteer basis, and the business model adopted for HABRI Central needs to enable the information provided to be open to the interested public. Currently, this information is widely dispersed and often behind subscription walls. HABRI Central, when possible, acts as an Open Access assurance, with the majority of the data/ content being immediately available, without embargo, to users. Some material will be available directly in the repository, while other resources will be pointed to outside the repository. Although some premium content may be available on an access fee basis, maximizing open accessibility will be essential for increasing the site’s impact.

Subjects and Arrangement

Subjects Covered

HABRI Central aims to cover subjects related to human-animal interaction. On a more granular level, HABRI Central accepts material relating to the following:

- Full coverage:
  - Human-animal bond (e.g., human-animal relationships, human-animal teaching, human-animal interactions, bonding, human-pet)
  - Animal-assisted therapy (including service animal therapy, pet therapy, therapy animals, therapy dogs, service animals, etc.)
  - Pet care, grief and bereavement, animal-assisted activities (including animals in education, such as Veterans’ therapy animals and animals in the classroom)
  - Animal cruelty
  - Animal rescue and animal shelters
  - Animal welfare and well-being
  - Animals in the liberal arts, education, and philosophy
  - Anthropology and paleoanthropology
  - Attitudes toward animals, including ethics in the human-animal relationship
  - History and social impact of domesticated species
  - Ethical considerations in animal use
  - People and projects
  - Human relations with wild, non-domesticated species
  - Communicable diseases between man and animals (zoonoses)

- Selective coverage:
  - Animal behavior and ethology
  - Animal handling
  - Animal law
  - Animal rights
  - Animals in folklore, legends and mythology
  - Animals in history and zoosarchaeology
  - Hunting, especially ethical issues
  - Animals in the literary and visual arts, etc.
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Scope of Coverage:
Languages included / excluded:
Materials in all languages are accepted into HABRI Central.
Geographic coverage:
Materials from all geographic areas are accepted into HABRI Central, initial emphasis on Anglo-American material reflects only the geographical limits of HABRI Central staff.
Chronological period:
Interests is primarily in print or online materials published or created after 1960.
Currency / dates of publication:
Current imprints are primarily acquired. The acquisition of retrospective materials is usually to strengthen a specific area of the collection, to address new interdisciplinary research areas in which HABRI researchers are engaged, or to replace missing materials, and is proportional to available funds, staffing and space (both physical and digital).
Level (populace, general academic, research, professional, etc.):
Research and professional works are included comprehensively. General academic works related to the key aspects of human-animal bond are also included when available. Popular works are included in the bibliography when their impact on the human-animal bond, test or related area is substantive. A majority of the bibliography focuses on peer-reviewed journal articles but also includes monographs, as well as these, dissertations, books, book sections (chapters), videos, etc.

Acceptable Formats:
A variety of material formats are accepted into HABRI Central for Resources.

Common file types are:
- Text: PDF, XML
- Images: GIF, JPG, JPEG, PNG, TIFF
- Video: WAV, MP3, AVI, PAL, VOB, MOV
- Audio: WAV, WMA
- Web: HTML
- Other: RTF

HABRI Central is not an an online archive but a preservation solution as well. Therefore we encourage the deposit of preservation formats as that your material is sustained for the long term.

Preservation file types:
- Text: PDF, XML
- Image: TIFF
- Video: AVI
- Audio: WAV
- Web: HTML

We encourage you to deposit in a preservation format, but if this is not possible, access formats are also welcomed.

Presentation format submission can be complex; that is, there might be a presentation in PowerPoint, and a PowerPoint might be embedded with several images or video files. Thus, each presentation will need to be evaluated to see what type of media are embedded before preservation actions are taken, and for this, consultation with the HABRI team might be necessary. To gain any questions regarding complex file preservation, please email our digital repository specialist.
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Below is a list of the kind of material that is accepted for each resource type. If you have an older format type (e.g. microfilm, audiotape) that you would like to be placed into HABRI Central and you do not have the means to convert it, please send an email to our digital repository specialist and we’ll work with you to see how that can best be converted and deposited.

- Audio: MP3, WAV, WMA
- Book Sections: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Text: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Conference Papers: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Patents: Excel, PDF
- Government documents: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Journal articles: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Magazine articles: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Newspaper articles: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Pamphlets: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Posters: GIF, JPEG, JPEG2000, TIFF
- Presentations: GIF, JPEG, JPEG2000, PDF, PPT, PDF
- Recordings: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Soft images: GIF, JPEG, JPEG2000, TIFF
- Still images: GIF, JPEG, JPEG2000, TIFF
- Theses: Microsoft Word, PDF, TXT, XML
- Tools:
- Videos: WMV, MP4, AVI, FLV, MOV

Other Preservation/Conservation Considerations

HABRI Central aims to ensure authenticity of the items it preserves, whether the items have been published elsewhere or not. The Multivers platform, on which HABRI Central runs, does not back up on a nightly basis.

Truethworthiness and Scholarly Nature of Materials

Material in HABRI Central aims to be of scholarly nature. We therefore encourage the deposit of peer reviewed articles and the like.

Use of “peer-reviewed” in HABRI Central

Peer review is a process that most scholarly journals use to ensure that the articles they publish are the best scholarship currently available. When an article is submitted to a journal that is “peer-reviewed,” the editors send the article out to a board of reviewers or other scholars in the same field (the author’s peers) to have them evaluate the quality, validity and reliability of the articles. The review process ultimately is “blind,” meaning that the reviewers or peers do not know the names of the authors and the authors do not know who is reviewing their work.

To verify that a journal is peer-reviewed or refereed, one can check the journal or its website, usually in its author guidelines or instructions, or check the journal in Ulrich’s Global Serials Directory.

In HABRI Central, the “peer-reviewed” icon indicates that the given article appears in a journal that is “peer-reviewed” as verified in Ulrich’s Global Serials Directory or the journal itself.

We also review all material that comes into HABRI Central to ensure it adheres to the standard set forth by us.

Revision of the HABRI Central Collection Development Policy

HABRI Central is committed to maintenance, periodic review, and revision of all policies, procedures and documentation as defined in the Digital Preservation Policy. This Collection Policy is updated on this site. Users who wish to challenge HABRI Central’s Collection Policy or offer suggestions or comments should go to the digital repository specialist. The digital repository specialist can be contacted at repository@habricentral.org.

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