

# Digital Repositories Committee (DRC)

## Summary report to COLD

**September 2023**

The following serves as a summary report of the Digital Repositories Committee outcomes for the 22-23 AY as well as a review of upcoming projects and planning for 23-24.

### **22-23 committee membership**

David Walker, Chancellor's Office (co-chair, ex officio & IRWG chair); Dana Ospina, Dominguez Hills (co-chair); Andrew Weiss, Northridge (vice-chair); Erik Beck, Sacramento (at large); Steve Kutay, Northridge (DAWG chair); Katie Lage, Moss Landing (at large); Tracey Mayfield (COLD liaison).

### **Current committee membership**

Andrew Weiss, Northridge (chair); David Walker, Chancellor's Office (ex officio); Carmen Mitchell, San Marcos (IRWG chair); Steve Kutay, Northridge (DAWG co-chair); Nicole Shibata, Northridge (DAWG co-chair); Erik Beck, Sacramento (at large); Tim Fluhr, Chico (at large); Matt Martin, San Francisco (at large); Michael Meth, San Jose (COLD liaison).

### **22-23 Outcomes**

- Planned and hosted (online) [Digital Repositories Annual Meeting](#), June 7 & 8, 2023
  - 120 attendees; 17 speakers; 11 presentations and talks
  - DRC members selected speakers, planned schedules, hosted the event, and moderated panels.
- Updated and revised ScholarWorks Terms of Service policies
  - Includes revision of take down notices
  - Finalization of overall repository TOS and end user agreements
- Institutional Repository Working Group (IRWG)
  - Language and degree name to controlled vocabularies
  - Provided feedback on
    - new campus landing pages
    - changes to
      - facets
      - advanced search fields
      - home page

- Hosted metadata clean-up sessions
- Shared San Marcos' [LibGuide](#) on new federal data sharing requirements
- Digital Archives Working Group (DAWG)
  - Completed testing of initial pilot system for the new Digital Archives
    - [Report on pilot project](#) completed and shared with DRC & COLD
  - Continued to evaluate system, compiling list of change and enhancement requests
  - Developed initial Metadata Application Profile for the new Digital Archives
  - Developed per-campus crosswalks for DSpace records to new Digital Archives
  - Updated CSU personnel registry

### **23-24 upcoming projects and goals**

- Hosting and planning 2024 Digital Repositories Annual Meeting;
  - Considering hybrid event this year; location TBD
  - OUTCOME: providing event planning, hosting, and support both online and on location
- Support of IRWG and DAWG documentation and campus toolkits projects
  - OUTCOME: Intended as formalized work-group specific documentation manuals
  - In the form of workbook (similar to Publishing Interest Group's manual)
  - Likely using Drupal for optimal user experience
- Audit of the ScholarWorks repository
  - a review of our current best practices and status as trusted repository
  - a prioritization of next generation repository goals
  - envisioned as a multi-year ongoing project for future DRC groups
  - OUTCOME: report detailing state of the repository and how it aligns with overall goals; ongoing gap and needs analyses of repository services and technology

### **23-24 outcomes (as of 9/2023)**

- David and Carmen met with Dryad to discuss possibility of a systemwide subscription
  - Even Dryad did not recommend a systemwide subscription
  - We recommend campuses consider per-deposit pricing option
- DRC members voted to block the harvesting of ScholarWorks content for use in AI and/or Large Language Models (LLMs) [i.e. ChatGPT, etc.] (8/20/2023)
  - Overall lack of faculty and student author consent
  - Unclear legality due to pending lawsuits over AI harvesting of author content
  - Some AI bots have been slamming repositories with unthrottled harvesting, essentially creating denial-of-service attacks.
  - DRC intend to review this decision periodically