Libraries 4 Research Data (L4RD) Interest Group

P13 Meeting: Philadelphia, PA

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- "User Stories and Agile Project Management in Developing Repository Software" - Dr. Devan Ray Donaldson, Indiana University
- Project updates
  - Engaging Researchers with Research Data
  - 10 FAIR Things
  - FAIR Lessons in a Carpentry Style
  - Revising 23 Things
  - Support Your Data Update (and other announcements)
- Discussion about future directions of the group

https://rd-alliance.org/
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- P2 Washington: First meeting as a BOF
- P3 Dublin: Research Data Skills in Libraries
- P4 Amsterdam: Research Data Solutions in Libraries
- P5 San Diego: Organizational Models for Data Services
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- P8 Denver: International Data Week
- P9 Barcelona: Bringing Research Data Management into the Library Mainstream
- P10 Montréal: Realities and Assessment of Library Data Services
- P11 Berlin: From data services to research partnerships: Libraries facilitating knowledge creation
- P12 Botswana: Engaging with Researchers and FAIR Principles
- P13 Philadelphia: Project Updates
User Stories and Agile Project Management in Developing Repository Software

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Digital Curation Course Overview

Preserving and providing long-term access to digital materials over time is a Grand Challenge. They require constant and ongoing maintenance. This course:

1. provides an overview of research, policy and current practices in curating and preserving digital data, and
2. gives students practical experience working with digital materials, digital curation environments, and digital curation plans.
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- What are the features of the data repository?
- How do I access data?
- How do I deposit data?
- How do I cite data?
- What software platform does the data repository use?
- Are there file size limits?
- What metadata can be included with data sets?
- What are the strengths of the data repository?
- What are the weaknesses of the data repository?
User Stories Assignment

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• User Story Example: As a “client” [e.g., #1], I “want to have easy access to previous metadata versions for a Digital Object Identifier” [e.g., #2], “so that I can make comparisons between versions or investigate potential errors” [e.g., #3].
User Stories Assignment

For this assignment, students were broken into groups and were assigned to write a user story from the perspective of one of the following:

- A data producer
- A data consumer
- A data repository manager
- A grant funder
- An office of sponsored research employee
- An Institutional Review Board committee member
User Stories Assignment

• For this assignment, the students:
  • used information from their earlier examination of the test repository,
  • used any information that they learned in class based on course readings and discussions, and
  • emailed and/or met with people at IU and elsewhere who fit these user groups, explaining the nature of this project and asking them about their data needs and data repository needs.
Peer Reviewer User Story: As a peer reviewer, I want to view a data package without seeing the author, so that I can objectively assess the data underlying a manuscript.
User Stories Assignment

• Students delivered a 10 to 15-minute PowerPoint presentation describing your work on this assignment

• The presentation included the following:
  • A title slide listing all group members
  • A slide with their user story
  • A slide explaining why they chose the user story and a description of the sources they used to develop it
  • A slide explaining how they turned their user story into a list of features
  • A slide with a screenshot of their features listed in Trello, including an explanation of why they sorted each feature in the lane they chose.
User Stories

• A data producer: “As data producers, we want to build structured metadata to offer researchers easy access to data for their projects.”

• A data consumer: “As a data consumer, I want to be able to sort by type of Creative Commons license applied to datasets so that I can find data to be used for my own projects.”

• A data repository manager: “As digital repository managers, we want to implement site analytics so that we ensure the trustworthiness, functionality, and efficiency of all parts of Chimera-backed data.”
User Stories

• A grant funder: “As a grant funder I want to be able to easily access metadata based on funding agency so that researcher compliance with grant requirements can be evaluated.”

• An office of sponsored research employee: “As Associate Director of the Office of Research Administration, I want federally funded researchers to use the Chimera Data Repository as an organizational tool and storage resource so that they meet data sharing compliance for NSF grant benefactors and are able to prepare NIH funded research for PubMed Central publication.”
User Stories

• An Institutional Review Board committee member: “As an IRB committee member, I want to ensure research data is securely transmitted, stored, and shared so that research subjects’ privacy and confidentiality is protected.”
Features Based on Data Producer User Story

**Backlog**
- "Guides" button
- Discipline definitions
- + Add another card

**In progress**
- Standardized grammar
- Robust discipline terms; removal or definition of "other"
- Keyword requirement
- + Add another card

**Complete**
- Metadata standards
- + Add another card
Features Based on Data Consumer User Story

**Backlog**
- Create search filters that aggregate CC licenses of a specific type
- Add section for additional licenses that may be applied to data

**In progress**
- Develop robust set of search tools that meet the needs of our users
  + Add another card

**Complete**
- Apply CC license to every dataset uploaded to repository
  + Add another card
- List available licenses on data upload page for users
LIST OF FEATURES

**Backlog**
- Create a tombstone record system for removed documents
- Increase file format acceptability
- Provide remote or tape backups for disaster recovery services
- Establish automated processes through scripting
- Run analytics on access points for the repository to track how individuals find and use data

**In progress**
- Running quality control checks such as checksum creation and fixity checks, and creation of archival backups
- Completing necessary software updates
- Migrating files to other stable formats (Normalization for some file formats)
- Maintaining awareness of changes to storage medium and ability to make updates as necessary
- Facilitating the creation of DOIs

**Complete**
- Provided a way of collecting metadata
- Established user browse and search to make data findable and usable
- Established technical services liaison to assist users with user interface technical issues and questions
- Chose Samvera, which includes Google Analytics, as a repository framework
- Implemented individual activity tracking
Features Based on Grant Funder User Story

**Backlog**
- Searchable by funding agency
- Features that encourage sharability (record or data)
- Long term preservation or repository succession plan

**In progress**
- Publicly accessible data
- Grant number metadata
- Transparent access costs

**Complete**
- Funding agency metadata
- All relevant data sets, primary, physical, and supporting information, in the same place.
- Copyright/use information
- Protection of confidential data
Sponsored Research Employee User Story Trello Board

**Backlog**
- Contact information of major grant providers
- Links connecting researchers to major grant benefactors' websites for grant requirement information
- Icon indicator or documentation identifier that indicates datasets were conducted fully or in-part with the aid of grant funds
- Icon/documentation identifier indicating datasets have been attached to, or have become, published journal articles and/or juried conference papers

**In progress**
- Clear policies/provisions on "re-use re-distribution, and production of derivatives" (NSF) for datasets submitted to repository; user agreement information
- Count-down timer indicating how long federally-funded research uploaded to Chimera has until Public Access policies need to be met in full (published articles need to be uploaded to article databases within 12 months of journal publication)
- Document submission portal that submits accepted/published research articles to databases such as NIH's PubMed Central and NSF's NSF-PAR

**Complete**
- Clear licensing information, Creative Commons licensing for accessing and sharing data
- Accessible standards for metadata and documentation
- Serves as a hub for data storing/sharing (user access point)
Develop a stewardship plan for sensitive research data (does NOT include: sensitive identifiable human subject research data)

Limited review level that allows limited metadata access for sensitive research data

Include in required metadata an indication of sensitive research data. Depositor selects between: No sensitive research data/Coded data/De-Identified Data/Anonymous Data

Develop data auditing process to periodically ensure no sensitive identifiable human subject research data is stored in the repository

Clear explanations of different kinds of sensitive research data in the "Conditions for Deposit" Statement and "Work That Cannot Be Accepted" Statement

Vetting process for depositors with sensitive research data

Establish a "Mint a DOI" process, where data cannot be altered after the DOI is minted

Integrate checksums to detect any changes in stored data

Conditions for Deposit Statement

Work That Cannot Be Accepted Statement

Link out to university resources on sensitive data and IRB compliance

IRB members can search repository by study name and principle investigator name
Conclusion

• The IU Data Repository Assignment and the User Stories Assignment helped the students learn about data repositories with hands-on experience.

• The User Stories Assignment was mutually-beneficial to Librarians and LIS students.

• This project underscores the potential benefit of Library-LIS collaboration.

• Collaborate with LIS programs at your institution or nearby OR collaborate with US :0)
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Engaging Researchers with Research Data

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Libraries for Research Data IG
RDA 13th Plenary, Philadelphia, April 2-4, 2019
Background

Gap between perceived benefit of data sharing and actual practice

It is the job of RDM service providers to help shrink this gap via engagement with researchers.

(Hahnel, M. et al., 2018)
Goals

Help institutions increase engagement with RDM among researchers

- Gather RDM activities from research institutions
- Categorise and synthesise activities
- Publish activities in order to allow evaluation and reuse by interested parties
- Format of publication: textbook and web-based portal
Project group and activity

- Project leader: Marta Teperek (TU Delft)
- Steering board to advise on the project
- 30 + project members from 3 continents
- January-February 2019: Survey invitation sent out
- March 2019: Data analysis discussions
Data + Analysis

- Contacted 60 funders, 80 scientific institutions, and used 28 mailing lists
- 216 responses, 88 described their activities
- 50 unique scientific institutions
- Team is categorizing the responses by activity and purpose
- Post categorization, will request more information via email
Website

- Presenting information about the project, team, data and data analysis
- The data will be distributed over a repository and linked to the website
- Find a place on RDA for the website
- Data will be in a git repository
- The website is under construction and will come soon
Next steps

- Split data analysis into qualitative (case studies) and quantitative branches
- Full report hopefully to be presented in Helsinki @ RDA 14th plenary
- Dissemination: Results will be disseminated via a textbook, and a searchable website
- RDA: Join the BoF Research Data Management in Institutions initiative?
Survey Still Open!

- Collect more case studies to increase database
- One activity per survey entry to facilitate categorisation

https://www.1ka.si/a/193487
RDA Researcher Engagement Project

An international & multi-institutional project

Steering Board
Lauren Cadwallader, Julien Colomb, Maria Cruz, Mary Donaldson, Lambert Heller, Rosie Higman, Elli Papadopoulou, Vanessa Proudman, James Savage, Marta Teperek

Project group members


Ready, Set, Go!

Join the Top 10 FAIR Data Things Global Sprint!

Webinar - 20 November 2018
Sprint - 29-30 November 2018
Top 10 FAIR Data Global Sprint 29-30 November 2018

Organised by:

Library Carpentry, Australian Research Data Commons and the Research Data Alliance Libraries for Research Data Interest Group

In collaboration with

FOSTER Open Science, OpenAire, RDA Europe, Data Management Training Clearinghouse, California Digital Library, Dryad, AARNet, DANS, and Centre for Digital Scholarship at Leiden University Library.

See: https://librarycarpentry.org/blog/2018/10/top-ten-fair-announcement/
Global sprint - what and why?

What is the purpose of the Sprint?
To create a wide range of *Top 10 FAIR Data Things* by research disciplines and/or themes.

What is a *Top 10 FAIR Data Things* resource?
"Things" is a neat concept for creating packaged content on any topic. Each “Thing” is a self-directed learning activity for anybody who wants to know more about FAIR research data. The *Top 10 FAIR Data Things* resources we create during the Sprint can be used by the research community to understand FAIR in different discipline and theme contexts as well as providing some initial steps to consider.
Example

Medical & health Thing 2: Issues in research data management

Research data is critical to solving the big questions of our time. So what are some of the issues we face in managing research data?

Activity 1: Considerations in data management

Research data is for everyone. Governments and Universities all around Australia and the world are now encouraging researchers to better manage their data so others can use it.

Research data might be critical to solving the big questions of our time, but so much data are being lost or poorly managed.

1. Take just a minute and browse over some ways Queensland Government Data is being used by businesses, families, travellers, farmers.
2. This 4.40mins cartoon put together by the New York University Health Sciences Library, is about what happens when a researcher hasn’t managed their data (at all). What could possibly go wrong?!
3. As you watch the cartoon jot down the data management mistakes which interest or appall you.
4. Now, scan through the dot points in the ‘Consider the following’ section of the University of the Sunshine Coast’s LibGuide which provides advice for researchers on how to manage their data.

Consider how just ONE of the data disasters depicted in the cartoon could have been avoided.

… but what does it mean in a discipline?
Find Out! https://librarycarpentry.org/Top-10-FAIR/

Oceanography
Research Software
Research Libraries
Research Data Management Support
International Relations
Humanities: Historical Research
Geoscience
Biomedical Data Producers, Stewards, and Funders
Biodiversity
Australian Government Data/Collections
Archaeology
Next steps

Library Carpentry Global Sprint!!!
May 30-31

https://librarycarpentry.org/blog/2019/03/lc-mozilla-global-sprint/

Develop the Library Carpentry materials which includes the 10 FAIR Things outputs
Additional Updates - John Chodacki (California Digital Library - CDL)

Library Carpentry Instructor Training
an open instructor training session is happening in Portland, Oregon
May 5-6 – Travel Support is available

https://forms.gle/98pRUdaxC9RLk7ts8
Or tinyurl.com/libcarpportland
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www.force11.org/fsci/2019
Support Your Data: messaging written by researchers, for researchers, aimed at helping researchers do better RDM (with input by this L4RD RDA Groups)

Website launching in May 2019 at researchdata.org (not live yet)
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Wikicite (ad hoc presentation)

You can see info here: http://wikicite.org

You can play with Scholia here: https://tools.wmflabs.org/scholia/