

MILEX Meeting – January 23, 2015
10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
UMBC, Baltimore, MD

Present: Marla Beebe, Gina Calia-Lotz, Sarah Crest, Melissa D’Agostino, Stephen Ford, Joanna Gadsby, Sarah Gilchrist, Mike Kiel, Gergana Kostova, Kimberly Miller, Sarah Sheehan, Simmona Simmons, Lisa Sweeney, Dorothy Terry, Brandy Whitlock.

Presentation

“Data Management for Instruction Librarians,” Sarah Sheehan, George Mason University

- Where data management is going.
- Issues: storage, naming of variables, outdated files
- Other institutions, government are requiring that your publications and your data must be out there.
- Have to have a data management plan (DMP) if you're going to do any kind of assessment.
- How can librarians help science people to manage their data?
- Technical services, do you need this kind of language to share the data with other? We're good at saying ref stats are going down, what does that mean?
- What are we doing with the data?
- DMP is a living document, use as a guide for daily activities
- Nathan Putnam at UMD is THE GUY for DM

Components of a Basic DMP:

1. Types of data. How much, what format, when you're going to capture, who's responsible. File name structure -- go to your department and try to arrange a file structure. ISO standard for date is yyyyymmdd

Documentation: Create a Read-Me file -- descriptions of what the variables mean.

2. Data and metadata standards. Describe the resource, enable discovery (i.e., cataloging). iTunes – “crap metadata!”

3. Policies for access, sharing, and reuse. The meat of your plan. Get your copyright librarian involved with this. How should your data be cited. NEVER WORK/EDIT THE ORIGINAL DATA. Save excel file in CSV.

4. Plans for archiving & preservation. How will data be preserved? Three copies, two media types. The cloud-- not always the best choice. . Formats: ISO standard is PDF. SPSS, R-repositories. Institutional, discipline-specific (ICPSR, Dryad, FigShare, DataONE). Purdue leading in this area.

5. Costs of data prep and documentation: hardware, software, archive fees? Request funding! Big grants help with this.

6. Process. Name a person responsible for implementing the plan, assign a person to each DMP activity, schedule training for expertise required, update as changes are made.

- University of California DMPTool. DMPTool.org . Something to direct faculty to when NIH, etc., tells them they need a data management plan.

Business Meeting

Spring Conference planning

Craig Gibson has agreed to give a keynote and conduct a workshop on the ACRL Framework for Information Literacy.

Potential schedule:

9:30-10:15 Keynote

10:15-11:00 Q&A

11:00-11:15 Break

11:15-12: Lightening talks on how other libraries are grappling with each frame and/or some kind of group game/exercise.

12:00-1:00 lunch

1:00-3:00 workshop. Divide people up into groups by discipline/class type: social sciences, humanities, professional programs, freshman seminars/research 101

What do we want Craig to talk about?

- How did he get from standards to frames?
- Concept of threshold learning
- What would he consider a good presentation to faculty and other librarians? How so we synthesize or make succinct our presentation to faculty?

Registration table:

Marla and Sarah G. will help with registration

Sarah C will do badges and programs

Mike: Catering, extra water

Help with clean-up: Gina

Cap at 60 attendees

Registration fees:

Members \$50, \$80 non-members, \$70 membership and registration, \$25 students

Action Items:

Gina will post a “save the date” announcement and call for presenters to MILEX members, then also marylib, ili-list, dla(?)

New registration form coming.

12:43 adjournment