Libraries as Publishers: One Library's Experience Creating and Supporting Open Access Journal Publication

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Questions:

- Does your institution create or facilitate the creation of online journals?
- Is your institution considering getting involved in OA journal publishing?
- Does your institution use Open Journal Systems (OJS)?
- Does your institution use another open access publishing system?
Overview

• Libraries as open access publishers?
• Open Journal Systems (OJS) at UNCG
• The Journal of Learning Spaces
• Challenges
• Lessons learned
• Value
• Future directions
Libraries as publishers?

Many libraries already:

- Support and manage electronic systems and metadata to facilitate resource discovery
- Develop relationships with content experts
- Develop relationships with publishers
- Purchase, manage, and deliver serial content
- Digitize and provide online access to local and unique content
Libraries and open access?

Many libraries already:

- Support and manage open access institutional repositories
- Provide education and outreach on author rights, copyright, open access, and related issues
- Assist faculty in the identification, creation, and sharing of Open Educational Resources (OERs)
Open Access publishing:
Example software and services

- DPubS
  - [http://dpubs.org/](http://dpubs.org/)
- Drupal E-Journal
  - [https://www.drupal.org/project/ejournal](https://www.drupal.org/project/ejournal)
- Open ACS
  - [http://openacs.org/](http://openacs.org/)
- Open Journal Systems
  - [https://pkp.sfu.ca/ojs/](https://pkp.sfu.ca/ojs/)
- Scholastica
  - [https://scholasticahq.com/](https://scholasticahq.com/)
Open Journal Systems (OJS)

- Free, open-source software developed by the Public Knowledge Project (PKP).
  - https://pkp.sfu.ca/
- Specifically designed to assist faculty and researchers in publishing peer-reviewed open access journals.
- More information:
  - https://pkp.sfu.ca/ojs/
OJS at UNCG

- Software selected and installed in 2010:
  - http://libjournal.uncg.edu/
- The University Libraries have strong commitments to service, innovation, and open access initiatives.
- UNCG faculty members requested support in this area.
- Hosting for other UNC schools:
  - http://libojs2.uncg.edu/
Active journals at UNCG

• Archival Practice
• Found Sounds: UNCG Musicology Journal
• Global Journal of Peace Research and Praxis
• The International Journal of Critical Pedagogy
• Journal of Appreciative Education
• Journal of Backcountry Studies
• Journal of Learning Spaces
• The North Carolina Journal of Mathematics and Statistics
• Partnerships: A Journal of Service-Learning and Civic Engagement
• Proceedings of the Conference for Entrepreneurial Librarians
• Working Papers in Education

http://libjournal.uncg.edu/
UNCG Hosted Online Journals

Archival Practice

Found Sounds: UNCG Musicology Journal

Global Journal of Peace Research and Praxis

The International Journal of Critical Pedagogy

International Journal of Nurse Practitioner Educators

Journal of Appreciative Education

Journal of Backcountry Studies

http://libjournal.uncg.edu/
Hosted OJS Journals

University of Guelph hosted OJS journals

This is the home for eJournals hosted by the University of Guelph Library. For more information on this programme see our Journal Publishing page on the Scholarly Communication site.

African Journal of Teacher Education

Borders: Undergraduate Arts Journal

Canadian Society of Landscape Architects

Critical Studies in Improvisation / Études critiques en improvisation
The Home Stretch: Developing Automated Solutions for Legacy Container List Data at the Cuban Heritage Collection, University of Miami Libraries

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Archival Practice, Volume 3

Abstract

Legacy finding aids in formats other than standardized EAD-XML encoding are problematic for archivists wishing to provide deep access to and interoperability for their archival description and metadata. This case study will detail the project development, implementation, and outcomes for the legacy PDF container list conversion project as implemented at Cuban Heritage Collection (CHC) at the University of Miami, which seeks to provide innovative automation solutions based on the tenant of iterative processing and description of archival collections.

Introduction

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What can OJS do?

Proceedings of the Conference for Entrepreneurial Librarians

The first Conference for Entrepreneurial Librarians was held in June, 2009. The conference provides a forum to share and celebrate the entrepreneurial accomplishments of librarians and information professionals to inspire each other to innovate and promote change, and to create a community to promote entrepreneurial practices.

The Proceedings of the Conference for Entrepreneurial Librarians began publication with papers based on publications at the fourth Conference for Entrepreneurial Librarians, held in October, 2014. The current Proceedings highlights submissions related to the fifth conference, held in October, 2015.

Read more about the Conference for Entrepreneurial Librarians at http://entrelib.org/.
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OJS support in the UNCG University Libraries

- OJS server and software management
  - Libraries’ IT department
- OJS user support and training
  - Technical Services
- OJS outreach and publicity
  - Technical Services
- OJS journal cataloging/discovery
  - Technical Services
Roles

» Journal Managers
» Editors
» Section Editors
» Layout Editors
» Copyeditors
» Proofreaders
» Reviewers
» Authors
» Readers
» Subscription Managers
Skills needed for journal personnel

- Content expertise
- Policy and decision-making
- Technical (working in online systems)
- Copyediting and proofreading
- Article layout
- Graphic design
- Web design
Questions we get

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- Graphic design
- Web design
Questions we get

• Why can’t I log in?
• Where is XYZ article in the review process?
• Who has permission to do XYZ action?
• Can I use the system to send a modified version of article XYZ to reviewers?
• Is there a copyright agreement for authors?
• Can I change the copyright policy for some materials?
• Can I change the look and feel of the site?
• What layout format should we use for articles?
• How do I get an ISSN for my journal?
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- **Schedule for publication in**
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- **Published**
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Journal of Learning Spaces

Announcements

JOLS at Metrolina

Please join us at the 2017 Metrolina Conference in Charlotte to hear more about the Journal of Learning Spaces and how we manage the process of open access publishing.
More details are at: http://www.mlalibrary.org/Conference-2017

Posted: 2017-05-17

http://libjournal.uncg.edu/jls/index
Journal of Learning Spaces

A little history

- Started in 2011 to fill gap and direct campus involvement in space design
- UNCG faculty & staff involvement:
  - Editors
  - Reviewers
  - Copy editors
  - Layout editors
- Nine issues published through 2017
- Articles published as open access PDFs
- http://libjournal.uncg.edu/jls/index
Focus and Scope

A peer-reviewed, open-access journal published biannually, *The Journal of Learning Spaces* provides a scholarly, multidisciplinary forum for research articles, case studies, book reviews, and position pieces related to all aspects of learning space design, operation, pedagogy, and assessment in higher education.

We define *learning* as the process of acquiring knowledge, skill, or understanding as a result of study, experience, or teaching.

*Learning spaces* are designed to support, facilitate, stimulate, or enhance learning and teaching. *Learning spaces* encompass formal, informal, and virtual environments.
Why is JLS important to our work?

- Expansion of Libraries’ renovation projects
- Campus involvement
- LibGuides
- Presentations
- Promote Open Access (OA)
- Gap in the profession
Archives

2017
Vol 6, No 1 (2017)

2016
Vol 5, No 2 (2016)
Vol 5, No 1 (2016)

2015

2014
Vol 3, No 1 (2014)

2013
Vol 2, No 2 (2013)

http://libjournal.uncg.edu/jls/issue/archive
Communicating the Library as a Learning Environment

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American University

Lack of commonly used vocabulary for informal learning environments hinders precise communication concerning what is observed, assessed, and understood about the relationship between space and learning. This study empirically extends taxonomies of terms and phrases that describe such relationships through content analysis of descriptions of completed library projects, concluding that focus and collaboration are the most prevalent terms. It also highlights how space affords learning. Study results will help practitioners and researchers to specify designs for improving library spaces, advocate for the value the library environment offers educational experiences, evaluate return on investment in renovation and construction, and contribute research toward understanding the relationships between learning and space.

What makes a library space a learning environment—or at book or journal, students complain when

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Communications into the curriculum, and a seminar course. The diverse nature of the instructors, content, and delivery among these classes allowed students to reflect on the role of the learning space across a range of learning experiences. This population was chosen because they would be experiencing a wide variety of pedagogical approaches and instructors (from traditional lecture to extended problem-motivation to learn in the class. With regards to classroom climate, the students rated the impact of the classroom furniture on four items: group work/collaborative learning, instructor-student interactions, student-student interactions, and physical comfort. Response categories for these items ranged from “No impact” =1 to “Very significant impact” = 3.
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http://libjournal.uncg.edu/jls/information/reader
Authors are promoting their work in the journal:

**Journal of Learning Spaces**


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**Research Manuscripts**

- **Matching Instructors and Spaces of Learning: The Impact of classroom space on behavioral, affective and cognitive learning.**
  John A. McArthur

- **Learning Theory Expertise in the Design of Learning Spaces: Who Needs a Seat at the Table?**
  Michael M Rook, Koun Choi, Scott P. McDonald

**Case Studies**

- **Designing Mobile Technology to Enhance Library Space Use: Findings from an Undergraduate Student Competition**
  David Ward, James Hahn, Lori Mestre

- **Uncommons: Transforming Dusty Reading Rooms into Artefactual, "Third Space, in Library Learning Labs**
  Suzanne Michele Schadl, Molly Nelson, Kristen S. Valencia

**Position Pieces**

- **Recognizing Campus Landscapes as Learning Spaces**
  Kathleen G Scholl, Gowri Betrabet Guiwadi
JLS Articles cited by others

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Word usage analysis of article titles revealed that the four most commonly used words are *learn*, *space*, *design*, and *student*. Followed by this are *classroom*, *library*, *university*, *academic*, and *teach*.

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The word cloud visualizes the frequency of these words, with larger fonts indicating higher frequency.
Challenges

- Software learning curve
- Turnover / continuity of journal personnel
- Communication
  - Challenges related to disparate locations of journal personnel
- Volunteer scenario, paid but must find the time to perform activities
- Finding the expertise as needed
- Assessment
Lessons learned

• Free software is not without its costs
• Sustainability planning is important
• Maintain a schedule and communicate it to authors; schedule must continue or content becomes stagnant
• OA publishing offers an outreach opportunity
• It takes time to build a platform and audience
• Not all OA journals will succeed
Value

• Strengthen relationships between the Libraries, faculty, and scholarly communities
• Meet needs of campus faculty
• Support new publishing models
• Facilitate content creation
• Demonstrate commitment to open access
Future directions

- Examine impact, readership, and other metrics
- Promote journals
- Recruitment and succession planning
- Continue to build Open Access culture on campus
Questions?

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