Building relationships with researchers through digital services

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What is my job?

- Manager & outreach librarian for the UT Digital Repository
- Campus contact for TDL services
  - Conferences
  - Journals
  - Blogs/wikis
Taking its name from the antebellum woman who “stole herself” and led blacks to freedom through the underground railroad, the Harriet Tubman Literary Circle (HTLC) is an educational clearing house and advocacy project that creates and promotes [online archives of information](#), art, narratives and maps that support the expansion of sustainable communities and anti-violence initiatives.

This gathering site for research, information, dialogue and engagement promoting social, political and personal transformations seeks to confront violence with an online multilingual dialogue that crosses borders as well as cultural, ethnic/racial, economic and gendered boundaries to further social justice organizing.

More about [HTLC](#).
Thomas Jefferson Center

- Faculty Work, Lecture Series Videos, Newsletters
- Referrals! New collections from Department of Government and the Working Group on Law & Democracy
Student Work

- Research Week
- Honors Theses
- Student journals
Intersections

- Graduate student journal-in UTDR and using OJS
Current faculty projects
Both referred from librarians
- Classics
- Law School
Data Management @ UT

- Joint [website](#) for data management services at UT Austin
  - Campus ITS
  - Texas Advanced Computing Center
  - Office of Sponsored Projects
Ongoing contact

- Regular check-ins
- Use spreadsheet to keep track of contacts
- Use Outlook for reminders
Response

- Faculty
  - Potential for new readers
  - Statistics
- Staff
  - Simplified workflows
  - Long-term access
- Students
  - Persistent URL
Finding digital projects

- Regular communication with other library staff
- Read campus communications (newsletters, emails, local news stories)
- Browse the university website
What works on your campus?

Questions?

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