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● be considerate and respectful in speech and action;
● attempt collaboration before conflict;
● refrain from demeaning, discriminatory, or harassing behavior and speech;
● and be mindful of your environment and of your fellow participants.

Thank you!

METADATA SUPPORT GATHERING

● Wednesday, November 2, 2022, 1:00 - 2:00 PM Central
● Host: Elliot Williams (TDL)

LINKS SHARED:

Shareable metadata resources from Atla:
https://atla.libguides.com/digitizing-collections/create-shareable-metadata

DPLA: https://dp.la

TDL’s DPLA Aggregation Service: https://www.tdl.org/services/txhub-dpla-aggregation/

Portal to Texas History: https://texashistory.unt.edu/


IDHH Subject Metadata Guide: https://idhh.dp.la/for-contributors/subject-metadata-guide


EPIC assessment framework: https://digital.library.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metadc1747971/

DLF Metadata Assessment Working Group: https://dlfmetadatalassessment.github.io/

DLF MAWG draft list of metadata skill-building resources:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1TtRuTXTTv2aP5nGMbeMCOnwogXYUTNGj0dpl2XqkoLQ/edit?usp=sharing

DLF Metadata Support Group https://www.diglib.org/groups/metadata-support-group/
Topics:

- Getting started with metadata
- Controlled vocabularies
- Elements & application profiles
- Interoperability
- Assessment & remediation
- Networking & professional development

Controlled vocabularies

- Links to LOCAL CONTROLLED VOCABULARIES
  - UH: [https://vocab.lib.uh.edu/en.html](https://vocab.lib.uh.edu/en.html)
  - UNT Libraries’ Controlled Vocabularies - [https://digital2.library.unt.edu/vocabularies/](https://digital2.library.unt.edu/vocabularies/)
  - UNT Names [https://digital2.library.unt.edu/name/](https://digital2.library.unt.edu/name/)
  - Portal to Texas History Places [https://texashistory.unt.edu/explore/locations/curated/](https://texashistory.unt.edu/explore/locations/curated/)
Which controlled vocabularies and which to apply when

- scan/see what categories are used by other areas or organizations in the sector/industry
- Think about who users are, what other systems our system needs to talk to
- Use of “big” authorities like getty, lcsh/lcnaf because of their broad use and applicability; but also local terms or alternative thesauri when those fall short
- Sometime you inherit decisions about which to use where
- NAL for agricultural documents in DSpace
  - Also USDA vocabulary for ag collections
- FAST for geographic headings and subject terms, esp for systems that don’t do a good job displaying long subject heading strings
- limitations/options depending on the repository system
  - For Alma D which uses Dublin Core and provides MESH LCSH, TGN, etc.
- Vocab management tool used at UH: iqvoc https://iqvoc.net/
- IDHH Subject Metadata Guid:
  - https://idhh.dp.la/for-contributors/subject-metadata-guide
- Tools for managing authority control in catalog
  - Backstage
  - MARCIVE

Elements & application profiles

- What are the best required metadata items to include?
    - Further discussion https://vphill.com/journal/post/4075/
    - UNT Libraries MAP https://github.com/unt-libraries/untl_map
  - UH MD Application Profile - https://vocab.lib.uh.edu/bcdams-map
  - NLM application profile - had to change some elements from required to optional; assumptions about what *every* repository would have were incorrect
    - DPLA MAP has to be so “lean and agnostic” because practices vary so much (even within an institution)
  - UH Libraries MAP https://uhlibraries-digital.github.io/bcdams-map/guidelines/date
  - Mark Phillips post on metadata completeness: https://vphill.com/journal/post/4075/
  - At TAMU they have:
    - Minimal (mandatory)
- Standard (mandatory + mandatory if applicable)
- Full (standard plus recommended, and optional)

- Dates - required or recommended?
  - Using date ranges (sometimes guessing based on context clues in photos)
  - EDTF Validation Service [https://digital2.library.unt.edu/edtf/](https://digital2.library.unt.edu/edtf/)
    - Have seen some where the EDTF was filled out as if it were a range but it should have been an approximation instead
  - UH date input guidelines [https://uhlibraries-digital.github.io/bcdams-map/guidelines/date](https://uhlibraries-digital.github.io/bcdams-map/guidelines/date)
  - Extended Date/Time Format (EDTF) in the Digital Public Library of America's Metadata: Exploratory Analysis [https://digital.library.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metadc1390605/](https://digital.library.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metadc1390605/)

- Language
  - UT Austin - started requiring language with their DAMS implementation bc of significant multilingual collections
  - NLM project originally required Language but we had to change to optional bc weren’t getting values from any of the biomed repos they were harvesting from

- DPLA minimum required field = Title and Rights (preferably standardized rights statements)

- Rights statements -
  - [https://rightsstatements.org/en/](https://rightsstatements.org/en/)
  - Preference is for more information about possible re-use and not just use the “copyright not evaluated”

- TDL ETD Metadata Dictionary: [https://tdl-ir.tdl.org/bitstream/handle/2249.1/68437/TDL_ETDMetadataDictionary_v2.pdf](https://tdl-ir.tdl.org/bitstream/handle/2249.1/68437/TDL_ETDMetadataDictionary_v2.pdf)

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- Metadata Assessment at the Command Line [https://journal.code4lib.org/articles/7818](https://journal.code4lib.org/articles/7818)
- LC Reconcile [https://github.com/cmharlow/lc-reconcile/tree/5739c08f0e20f51a3a9a27637b1ec13869709002](https://github.com/cmharlow/lc-reconcile/tree/5739c08f0e20f51a3a9a27637b1ec13869709002)
- Conciliator [https://github.com/codeforkjeff/conciliator](https://github.com/codeforkjeff/conciliator)
- UNT Libraries Metadata Quality Interfaces [https://digital.library.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metadc1393760/](https://digital.library.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metadc1393760/)
Networking and professional development

- Sign up for TDL’s newsletter and member group listservs: [https://bit.ly/3OjTwZz](https://bit.ly/3OjTwZz)
- Save the date for the 2023 Texas Conference on Digital Libraries, May 15-19 in Austin: [https://www.tdl.org/tdl-events/tcdl/tcdl-2023/](https://www.tdl.org/tdl-events/tcdl/tcdl-2023/)
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