Baylor University and the Texas Digital Library

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Baylor’s History with TDL

- Joined December 2006 to:
  - Support the concept
  - Implement new/evolving technologies
  - Showcase Baylor’s intellectual productivity in conjunction with other Texas universities
- Participated in Repositories Working Group
- Implemented Shibboleth
Baylor and TDL
Where we are now

- Serve on TDL Board of Directors
- Provide facilities and coordination of training for TDL members
- Participate in the instruction which improves our skill sets with the technology and tools
- Currently chairs and participates in Metadata Working Group
- Presents regularly at the Texas Conference on Digital Libraries
Supporting Evolving Technologies

- Shibboleth
  - Raised priority for Baylor’s implementation
  - Now apply it to other services
- Open Source Applications
  - Technical support
  - Infrastructure
  - Customizability
Support of Faculty Researchers

- Faculty’s needs
  - Scholarly blogs
  - Peer-reviewed e-journals
  - Online conference management system

- Researcher’s needs
  - Grants
  - Community of scholars
  - Quality URL naming
  - URL permanence
Repository for ETDs with Vireo Application

- Plan to move to this submission process for Baylor’s Electronic Theses and Dissertation (ETD)
- Why Baylor wants to use Vireo
  - Common interface for the submission of ETD to the TDL repository
  - Simpler for student submissions
  - Better management of the submission workflow for staff
Training Opportunities

- Dspace and Vireo
- Wikis in a scholarly environment
- Blogs with TDL
- Online scholarly journals
User Group Opportunities

- Collaborate and network with other Texas academics
- Share information about projects
- Discuss best practices and standards
TDL Data Hosting Services

- Provides an off-site dark archive
- Allows easy access to server
- Includes Linux tools for file management
- Synchronizes data to archive semi-weekly
Our data configuration at TDL
Why TDL is important Baylor (and me)

- Scholarly services
- Provides professional staff development
- Preserves our data in the TDL cloud
- Building for future
- Catalyst for innovation and experimentation