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Build your Data Management Plan

http://dmptool.org/

Overview

Released in October 2011, the DMPTool, a freely available web application which guides users through the process of creating a DMP for a range of funders, allows users to edit, save, share, print, and download their data management plans. In addition, through integration with Shibboleth, it allows institutions to customize the guidance and help text provided to their researchers. The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation has funded the development of the next generation of the DMPTool. The DMPTool2 will expand the functionality of the DMPTool both for researchers and institutions administering the tool and on increase community engagement with the tool.

Objectives / problem it is trying to solve

- To consolidate expertise and reduce costs in addressing data management needs by the development of a community based tool.

- To simplify the process of creating plans while increasing the ability of institutions to assist researchers in making those plans.

Recent Activities

The DMPTool team has been focused on two activities: outreach to a range of stakeholder communities and the development of the DMPTool2. Outreach strategies include a successful, ongoing webinar series and a blog. The development of the DMPTool2 focuses on increased functionality for researchers; increased functionality for institutions; and development of an API for integration with other research support systems.

Governance

The DMPTool Steering Group is a small coordinating body composed of persons elected from the DMPTool Partner institutions that directs the technical, content, and community development of the DMPTool.

Next Steps / Planned Future Work

A beta version of the DMPTool2 will be available in Fall 2013. Hear more at the DMPTool session at the 2013 DLF Forum!

Members/Partners

The following are the organizations that are members of the DMPTool Steering Group.

- California Digital Library
- DataONE
- Digital Curation Centre, UK
- Purdue University
- Smithsonian
- University of California, Los Angeles
- University of California, San Diego
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- University of Virginia

Funders/Funding model

The original DMPTool was developed through the efforts of the institutions named above. The DMPTool2 work is funded through a generous grant from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation. Development of outreach materials and strategies for librarians has been funded through a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.