The University of Toledo Digital Repository – Tooling 4 OA

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What is an institutional repository (IR)?

• “A set of services that a university offers to the members of its community for the management and dissemination of digital materials created by the institution and its community members. It is most essentially an organizational commitment to the stewardship of these digital materials, including long-term preservation where appropriate, as well as organization and access or distribution.” (Lynch, 2003)

• Set of services: reference, instruction, digitization (if needed), cataloguing (including enhancements), consulting (digital reformatting, copyright/CC licensing), outreach, project support.
What’s in an IR?

IR’s vary in scope and content and can be subject-based or multidisciplinary. Contents can include:

• Scholarly publications (theses, dissertations, graduate projects, faculty research) – both Green and Gold OA
• Research & operational data
• Patents
• Institutional records (archives)
• Heritage content (manuscript collections, digitized heritage materials)
• Virtual exhibitions
Quick Facts:

- Established in 2013 (UT’s Faculty Publication Database began in 1996)
- Currently 13,238 items
- 711,167 total downloads (331,449 just last year) from 6,021 organizations worldwide
- Full-text searchable
- Open to all UT Faculty, Administrators, Research Institutes, and community groups
- Welcomes selected student scholarship
The University of Toledo Digital Repository (UTDR)

What’s in the UTDR?
• Theses and Dissertations (also segmented by college and department)
• Departmental contents (digital archive projects, faculty publications)
• Open Access journals (Medicine, Education)
• Patents issued by the USPTO to UT inventions
The University of Toledo Digital Repository (UTDR)

What’s in the UTDR?
- Institutional records (not everything in the archives is online...)
- UT Publications (Blockhouse, Collegian (1919-2000))
- Historic UT photographs
- UT Press Releases (1940-1999)
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What’s in the UTDR?

• Digitized manuscript collections preserved at the Canaday Center (selected records only)
• Local history and cultural heritage collections
Features: Searching the UTDR

Searching the UTDR
• Basic (keyword) and advanced (multi-term) searching in the UTDR
• Search all Digital Commons repositories
• Search Google Scholar
• Search the UT Library Search Engine (UTMOST)
• Search other search engines (e.g. BASE)
Features: Dashboards

Using the UTDR
- Obtain Readership data
- Download data
Features: Data Sharing

Using the UTDR
- Share data with other researchers at UT or elsewhere
- Share data with other UT departments or government offices
- Add geographical enhancements to selected record sets (image-based collections)
Features: Selected Works

Why use Selected Works? Advantages over an ordinary faculty web page:

- Multimedia uploading
- Papers can be announced to personal network of readers and colleagues
- RSS feeds
- Readership reports
- Optimization for Google and Google Scholar
Features: Expert Gallery

Why use Expert Gallery?

• Marketing and Communications/Media Relations can field requests from the media for experts in newsworthy topics
• Researchers can showcase the results of their grant-funded projects
• Prospective graduate students can find out who is working in their area of interest
• Researchers both on and off campus can find interdisciplinary partnerships
• Businesses in the area can find partners to further develop their products
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Disciplines
Library and Information Science, Information Literacy

Research Interests
Information Literacy, Liaison to the health sciences, social justice and human service programs

View by
Information Literacy

Discipline
Library and Information Science (1)
Information Literacy (1)

Research Interest
Information Literacy
Liaison to the health sciences, social justice and human service programs (1)

Position
Faculty Member (1)
Submitting to the IR: The Process

1. Contact UTDR Administrator ("Submit Research")
2. Create Account and profile
3. Go to "Submit research"
4. Add as much description as possible (title, author, abstract, date, publication information, keywords, etc.)
5. Upload your PDF file and optional supplementary materials
6. Submit, and wait for administrator’s approval
7. Confirm access to your submission