[Alternative Ownership Models]

Case study of a community-based repository

Measuring “Success” - Goggles and Googles

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Short History

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We have worked closely with the Library for just over a year on the implementation of a DSpace instance - The Flinders Academic Commons
The two triangles

The balance that we strive for
Why FAC suits Humanities Academics

• masses of intellectually valuable / commercially uncontentious research

• life-cycle of scholarly interest in humanities research

• repository for the accumulated knowledge of other disciplines

• valuable research life beyond the scholar’s aging hard disk.
Learned Helplessness
Too many bad experiences
All the compelling graphs in the world won’t lead to many knocks on the door.
FAC needs to be solution to problems rather than extra task.
Model is to embed the FAC in daily work because it serves purpose

- We planned structure with Library
- Created series of compelling PPT presentations
- Discussed merits, citations
- Framed in terms of larger digital publishing shift
Publish or perish - a common dictum

Knowledge and Information of a certain standard

Academics need to publish in DEST reportable journals. Should everything be archived?

Archives must suit audience, no point in rushing to populate without thinking about how the information will be used, reused and what the user wants (i.e. the web - platform does not matter to the user)
A decision that led to a measure of success

- Let individual Academics design their own sub-community structure
- It is their life work when all in one place
- Self-archiving
- Seeing this body of work has already attract a Post Grad.
- Wants to archive own work
Ejournal

New refereed ejournal with international editorial board. Release articles when ready. FAC is perfect because of automatic email update. All articles will sit in FAC with Web front end.
Secure space for Symposia papers

and now we also have pre-prints and it facilitates setting up sub-communities for individual academics (47).
Measuring Success

- Google Scholar/Citations
- Academics put up own work
- PhD students
- Eager academics
- ARC applications
- Connection between research, lecturing
Connection between research and Lecturing

- Will incorporate using ARROW in English topics
- Students can see connection between lectures and research
- PhD students and Level A new Level Bs part of group who are willing to learn.
The next stage

- Computing in Humanities Research Group - Scholars Workbench
- Create single page + Folder references
- Look at eresearch, how are we going to do this?
- Amanda now expanding FAC into other ASRIIs as well
Thank you.