



# Ingesting Knowledge:

Learning from & getting involved with the Digital Preservation community

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# CONTEXT: Digital Preservation as a New Service

University of Calgary Libraries and Cultural Resources (LRC) Digital Preservation journey:

- Discussions about the need for a coordinated digital preservation service since 2015
- Digital preservation unit since March 2022
- Digital preservation system started to ingest material in May of 2022



## **CHALLENGE: From Grant-Funded to Stable Service**

Grant funding covered the initial costs:

- Digital Preservation System
- Digital Preservation Technician

Goal is to develop a stable, maintainable, and scalable digital preservation service



# COMMUNITY: Resources & Organizations - Regional

Colleagues at your institution

Colleagues at nearby institutions

COPPUL - Council of Prairie and Pacific  
University Libraries

Digital Stewardship Network (CDSN)

OCUL - Ontario Council of University Libraries

Scholar's Portal

CAAL - Council of Atlantic Academic Libraries

Digital Preservation and Stewardship Committee

BCI - Bureau de Coopération Interuniversitaire

Library sub-committee



# COMMUNITY: Resources & organizations - National

The Digital Research Alliance of Canada

Preservation Expert Group

CARL- Canadian Association of Research  
Libraries

Preservation Working Group

CRKN - Canadian Research Knowledge Network

Preservation and Access Committee

Association of Canadian Archivists

Archivaria

LAC - Library and Archives Canada

Digital Preservation Program Strategy

Publications & Conferences



# COMMUNITY: Resources & organizations - International

Digital Preservation Coalition

Training & workshops

Reports & toolkits

Assessment models

List serv

iPRES conference

DLF - NDSA

Digital Preservation Conference

PASIG - Preservation and Archiving Special Interest Group

BitCurator Consortium

NEDCC Digital Directions Conference



# COMMUNITY: Lessons Learned

Join the DPC

Document everything

Connect with and learn from colleagues

Whenever possible use resources that already exist

Get involved in organizations even when it feels like you know nothing

Have a vision for your digital preservation service but set measurable and achievable goals



# Resource List

Assessment Models

[DPC Rapid Assessment Model](#)

[NDSA Levels of Digital Preservation](#)

Workflows

[Community Owned Workflows](#)

Training

[DPC Digital Preservation Handbook](#)

[DPC Novice to Know-how](#)

Toolkits

[Preservation Policy toolkit](#)

[Electronic Document and Records Management Systems](#)

Technology

[DPC Technology Watch](#)

[Library of Congress Recommended Formats](#)

[National Archives PRONOM & DROID](#)

[Bitcurator](#)





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