

# “Scholarly Metrics Reports for Tenure & Promotion Candidates”

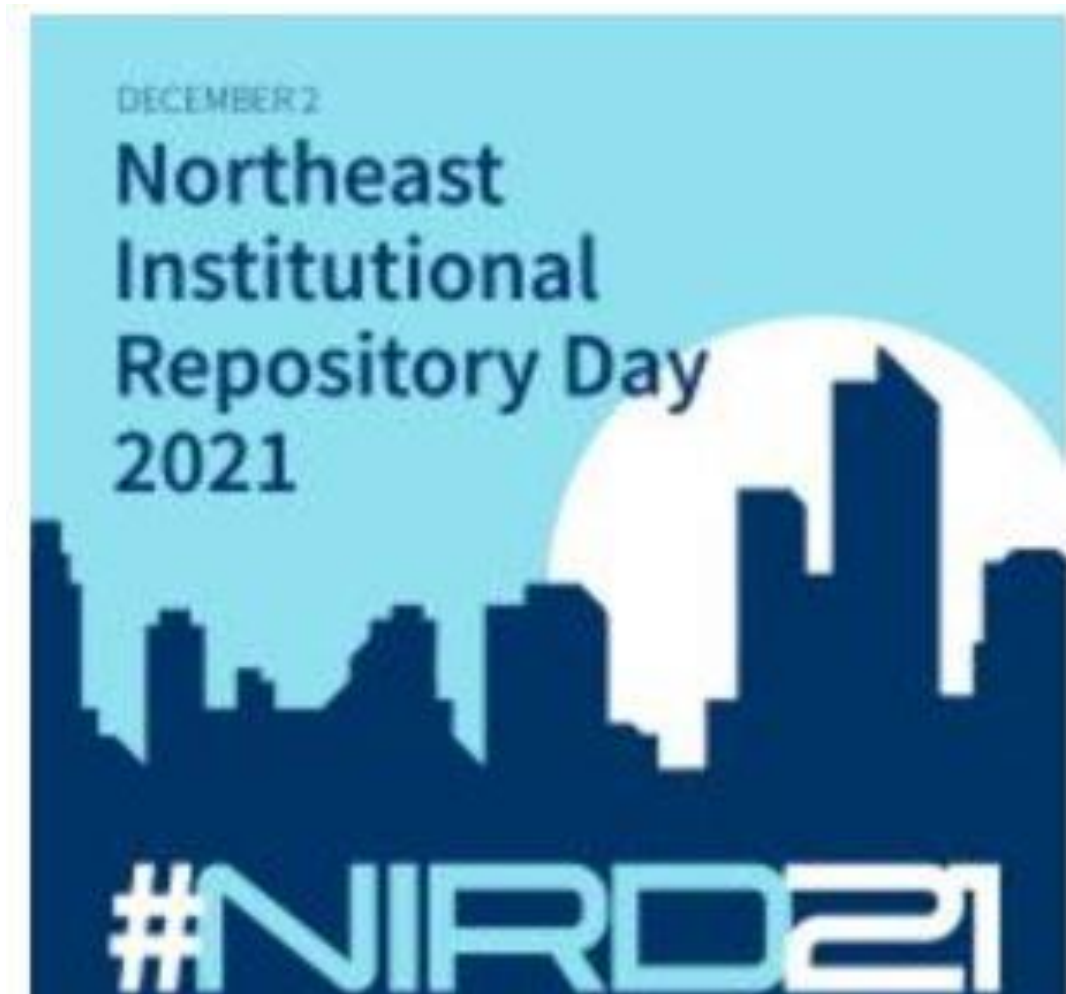
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# Seton Hall University


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- Mid-size private Catholic institution
- Undergraduate Enrollment: 5,914
- Graduate Enrollment: 3,901
- Majors and Programs: 90+

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**Savior Siblings: The Ethical Debate**  
Kristie Lauren Trifolis  
*Law School Student Scholarship*



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Preprints generate download  
statistics for IR, [PlumX](#)

Monitor faculty profiles and  
publications as embargos expire

# eRepository



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Professor of Diplomacy and International Relations

**Disciplines**

International Relations

**Research Interests**

Political economy of the post-Soviet region, in particular Ukraine and Belarus, Governance and corruption issues in the energy and



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Electronic Resources Librarian and Associate Professor

**Disciplines**

Education



**Assefaw Bariagaber**

Professor, School of Diplomacy and International Relations

**Disciplines**



**Chelsea Bar**

Business Librarian

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- > University of Texas at Austin
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# eRepository Dashboard

PlumX Snapshot [?](#)

**2161** Usage [?](#)

1319 Abstract Views

0 Collaborator Count

696 Download Count

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6 Cited By Count

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Works	eRepository	Usage	Citations	Mentions	Captures	Social Media
<a href="#">Weed 'Em and Reap? Deselection of Political Science Books</a>		695	2	0	77	5
<a href="#">Starting, Publishing, and Sustaining an Online Journal: Beginne...</a>		284	0	0	0	0
<a href="#">Telling the Story of a Collection with Visualizations: A Case Stu...</a>		244	3	0	24	0
<a href="#">Spatial Literacy with PolicyMap for Public Policy Undergraduat...</a>		99			0	1
<a href="#">Navigating United Nations Data Sources (Pre-Print).pdf</a>		98			0	0
<a href="#">DeLuca FOIA Libraries 2019.xlsx</a>		90			0	0

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0 Like Count

31 Tweet Count

# Scholarly Metrics Reports Background

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3-person team plus support from Library Dean and Science Librarian; Digital Services Librarian and Social Science Librarian co-manage IR, Scholarly Communication Coordinator adds & maintains collections

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Google Scholar training occurs in Faculty Activity Tracking system deployment, but opportunities for this in other parts of faculty development programs/library instruction programs should be added

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Originated from late September faculty requests for October 1 tenure and promotion deadlines

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Proactive service to help faculty with scholarly narrative beyond traditional (citations and journal h indexes) to newer metrics including social media and news mentions.

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Setting institutional standards for scholarly communications and publishing at the university

# Preparation

Create report format that would work across disciplines:

- Google Scholar link, metrics, citation counts
- Institutional Repository Metrics including downloads by country, sector, institution, referrers
- Journal h indices
- PlumX Metrics where applicable for social media and news mentions
- WorldCat counts for books, book chapters retrieved from Discovery Tool (could also be taken from PlumX but not automated)
- Syllabi Repository



# Report Request Form (LibWizard)

## Faculty Scholarly Metrics Report Request

University Libraries is looking forward to creating your Scholarly Metrics Report.

If you do not have a profile in SHU's [eRepository](#), we will setup a profile for you. We ask you to send a current cv or links to your where your scholarship lives (personal website or blog, Academia.edu, ResearchGate or discipline specific repositories) to [erepository@shu.edu](mailto:erepository@shu.edu).

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H index is an author-level metric that measures both the productivity and citation impact of the publications of a scholar. *(required)*

- Citations to my work
- H index
- Journal Rankings
- Google Scholar statistics
- Social Media and News mentions
- WorldCat holdings
- Other

Please share links of where your scholarship lives, in particular pre-print copies of your publications. This will help increase your viewership in our eRepository. This includes personal websites or blogs, Academia.edu, ResearchGate or discipline specific repositories.

# What is PlumX?

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**Usage** – A way to signal if anyone is reading the articles or otherwise using the research. Usage is the number one statistic researchers want to know after citations.

*Examples:* clicks, downloads, views, library holdings, video plays [Learn more](#)



**Captures** – Indicates that someone wants to come back to the work. Captures can be an leading indicator of future citations.

*Examples:* bookmarks, code forks, favorites, readers, watchers [Learn more](#)



**Mentions** – Measurement of activities such as news articles or blog posts about research. Mentions is a way to tell that people are truly engaging with the research.

*Examples:* blog posts, comments, reviews, Wikipedia references, news media [Learn more](#)



**Social media** -This category includes the tweets, Facebook likes, etc. that reference the research. Social Media can help measure “buzz” and attention. Social media can also be a good measure of how well a particular piece of research has been promoted.

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## Scholarly Metrics Report

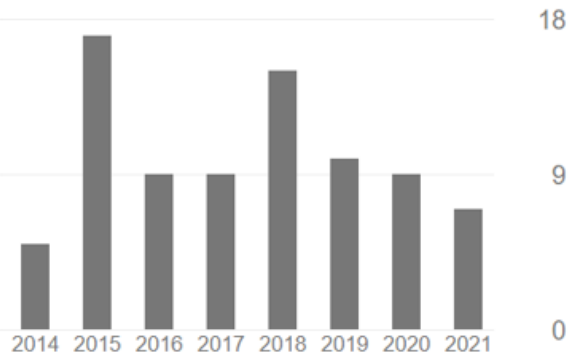
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August 18, 2021

### Google Scholar

Cited by

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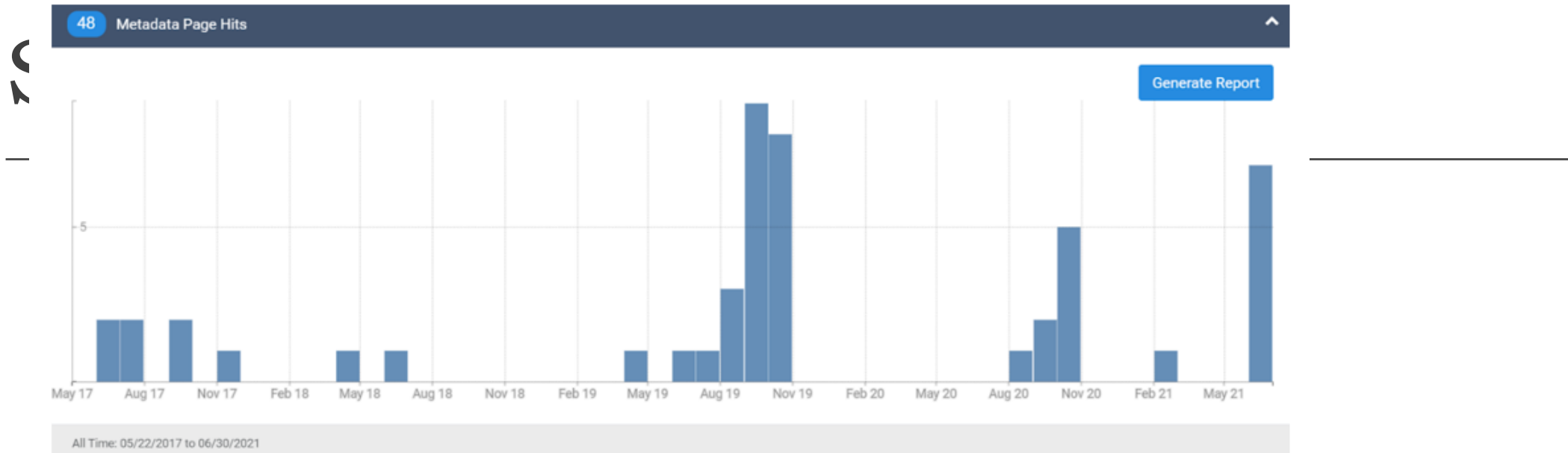
	All	Since 2016
Citations	104	59
h-index	5	5
i10-index	2	1



# Sample Report: Part 1 of 4

TITLE	CITED BY	YEAR
<a href="#">Reflecting on the experience sampling method in the qualitative research context: Focus on knowledge production and power during the data-collection process</a> M Koro-Ljungberg, R Bussing, P Williamson, F M'Cormack-Hale Field Methods 20 (4), 338-355	38	2008
<a href="#">Gender, peace and security: women's advocacy and conflict resolution</a> F M'Cormack-Hale, FAO M'Cormack-Hale Commonwealth Secretariat	15	2012
<a href="#">The role of NGOs in the democratization process in postwar Sierra Leone</a> FAO M'Cormack-Hale Sierra Leone beyond the Lomé peace accord, 97-116	7	2010

This chart shows [metadata](#)\* hits for candidate from the eRepository.



[PlumX Metrics](#) are shown below. These numbers are pulled from [SHU's eRepository](#).

<b>3035</b> Usage <span>?</span>	<b>15</b> Citations <span>?</span>	<b>204</b> Captures <span>?</span>
469 Abstract Views	15 Cited By Count	0 Bookmark Count
0 Collaborator Count	0 Clinical Cited By Count	28 Exports Saves
4 Download Count	0 Patent Cited By Count	0 Favorite Count
192 Full Text Views	0 Policy Cited By Count	0 Fork Count
<a href="#">See More</a>	<a href="#">See More</a>	<a href="#">See More</a>

Sample Report:  
Part 2 of 4

The table below shows usage statistics from PlumX Metrics.

Works	Usage
<a href="#">Partners or Adversaries? NGOs and the State in Postwar Sierra L...</a>	2348
<a href="#">Going Beyond Numbers: Reframing Substantive Representation ...</a>	246
<a href="#">Statelessness, Nationality, and Citizenship in Sierra L</a>	
<a href="#">"Do not Disturb the Peace!" Identities, Livelihoods and</a>	
<a href="#">Reflecting on the experience sampling method in the</a>	
<a href="#">Lactating women's perception of the Free Health Care</a>	
<a href="#">Secret Societies and Women's Access to Justice in S</a>	
<a href="#">Synergies and Fragmentation in Country Level Policy</a>	
<a href="#">The Obama Administration and U.S.-Africa Relations</a>	
<a href="#">Whose democracy? : NGOs and the democracy projec</a>	

# Sample Report: Part 3 of 4

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The table below shows WorldCat counts for library holdings worldwide:

Book		<u>WorldCat</u> Count	Citations
Gender, Peace and Security: Women's Advocacy and Conflict Resolution		93	15
<b>Contribution to Book:</b>	<b>Chapter Title</b>	<u>WorldCat</u> Count	
Democratization and Human Security in Postwar Sierra Leone (2016)	Promises and Pitfalls of the Free Health Care Initiative in Sierra Leone: An Early Analysis	72	5
African democracy and development: challenges for post-conflict (2012)	Partners or Adversaries? NGOs and the State in Postwar Sierra Leone	910	3

## Sample Report: Part 4 of 4

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Journal	H Index	<u>WorldCat</u> Holdings	Peer Reviewed
Field Methods	49	581	Yes
Western Journal of Black Studies	12	1501	Yes
African and Asian Studies	10	1000	Yes
African Studies Quarterly	10	1000	Yes
World Medical & Health	10	1000	Yes

The table below shows syllabi downloads for candidate from the [Diplomacy Syllabi collection](#) from SHU's eRepository.

Course Name	Downloads
<a href="#">Economic Development of Africa</a>	71
<a href="#">International Political Economy</a>	54
<a href="#">Conflict and Conflict Resolution in Plural Societies</a>	47
<a href="#">Justice, Truth, and Reconciliation in Post-Conflict Societies</a>	34
<a href="#">Institutions of Post-Conflict Governance</a>	32
<a href="#">Peacemaking and Peacekeeping</a>	16
<a href="#">Introduction to International Relations</a>	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>262</b>

# Admit data is flawed

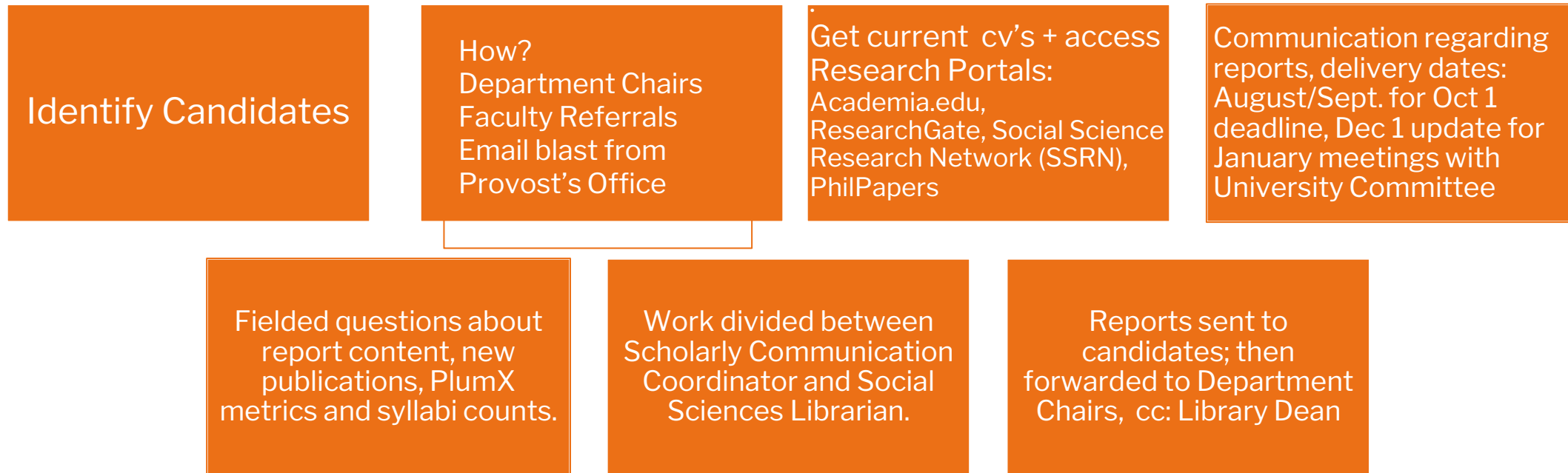
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- Manage expectations of data and library's role of neutrality
- Limitations of Google Scholar, PlumX, IR, Scopus data
- Journal h indices
- Discipline specific challenges:
  - Scopus not great for humanities, but useful for the sciences
- Limitations of Google Scholar, PlumX, IR, Scopus data
- Candidates were welcome to use reports, or not
- Provide proactive reporting about faculty narrative - will there be a perceived value added?



# Process

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Consider  
these  
variables for  
your  
institution

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Appropriate length of report may vary by  
discipline

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Detail and number of explanations and  
definitions, e.g. h- index, impact factor,  
metadata

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Resources and time available

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Departments or individuals may opt out

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Don't want to overwhelm candidates  
during a hectic time, can always add more  
detail if requested

# What are we waiting for?

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Candidates may or may not have included report in tenure packet due October 1

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Gauge reaction of University Rank and Tenure Committee to see if reports were worthwhile

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What can we do ahead of time?  
Optimal time to pull data?

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Have faculty sign up for ORCID next time around

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Feedback from 2021 candidates regarding the process and report; start compiling reports for 2022 candidates

# Additional Training Needed

Document formatting to make sure reports were consistent, verify Google Scholar links

Confirming journals are peer reviewed. If peer reviewed was not stated in journal mission statement, check author submission guidelines.

WorldCat counts had to incorporate different catalog entries for the same item (print or electronic) so counts had to be combined

Identify citation format conventions for departments



# Future

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- Additional uses for Scholarly Metrics Reports: book proposals, grant applications, accreditation reports.
- Interoperability between IR, faculty activity tracking system, other systems
- Collaboration with Office of Grants and Research to promote faculty scholarship (web page content, RSS feed)
- FT Scholarly Communications Librarian to increase IR / preprint outreach

# Questions?

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