



# **University of North Texas' Compliance with Funder- Mandated Public Access to Research Data: Project Development and Progress Report**

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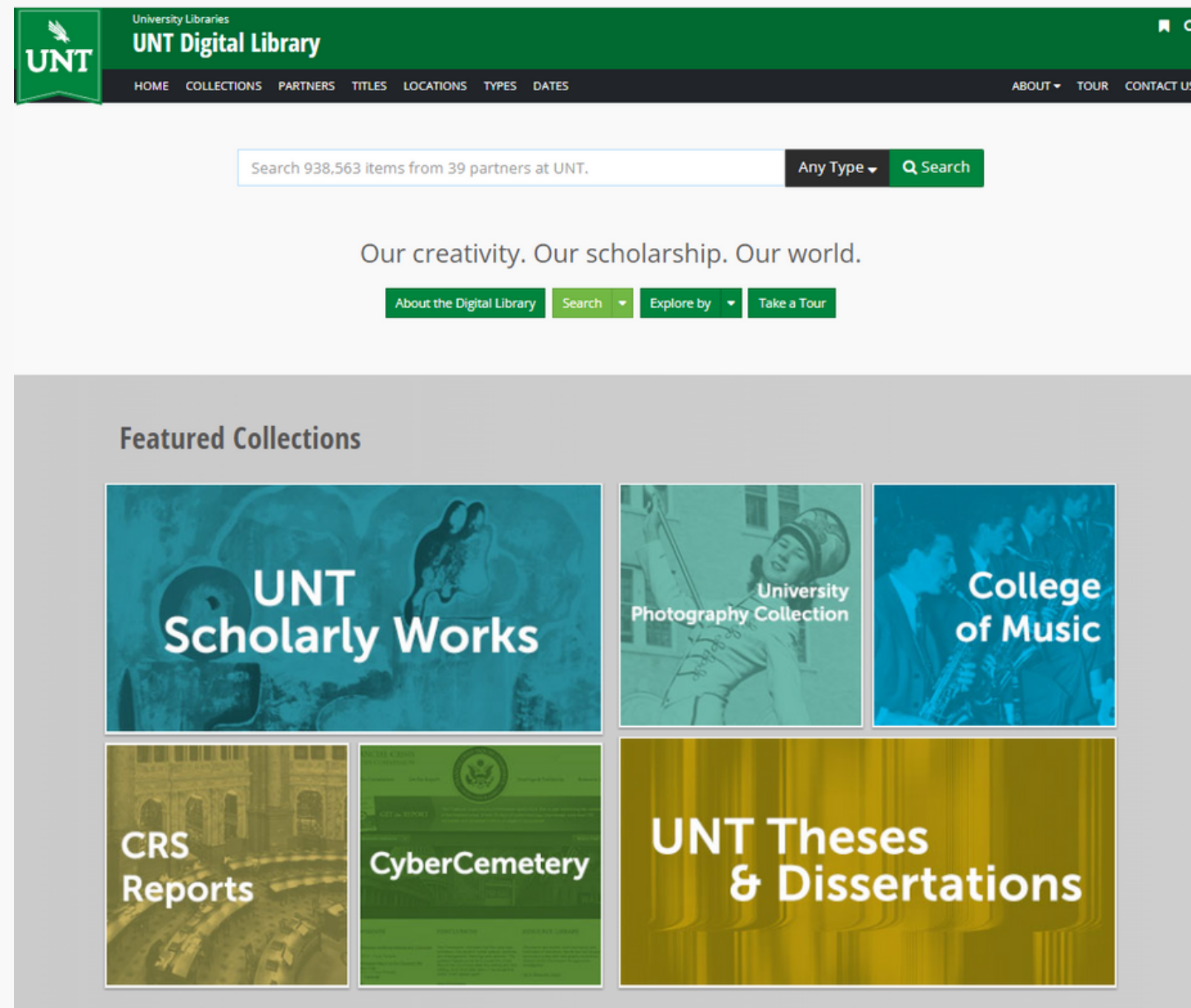
## I About the University of North Texas

- Main Campus of UNT System
- R1 Doctoral University
- 42,000 Students
- \$50 Million in grants/awards



# I About the University of North Texas Libraries

- 4 Libraries on Campus plus the UNT Digital Library
- Data Management Services
  - DMP Tool
  - UNT Data Repository
  - Data Management Consultations
- UNT Digital Library
  - Nearly 1 million items
  - 72 million uses
    - 1.2 million in the past month
  - Sister Sites: The Portal to Texas History & The Gateway to Oklahoma History



<https://digital.library.unt.edu/>



## II Creating Our Funder Compliance Process



- Collaboration between the Libraries and Grants & Contracts Administration (GCA)
- Created in 2020 and implemented in 2021
- Implementation Parts:
  - Principle Investigator (PI) Handbook
  - Department Meetings
  - Introductory Presentations
  - New Email
  - Grant Inventory Template
  - New Collection in the Digital Library



## III Current Workflow

### Pre-Award

1. PIs notified about funder-requirements, including a DMP
2. PIs can reach out to the Libraries for help with consultations or the DMP Tool
3. The GCA will determine if the award/DMP requires public access or if it falls under their exceptions

### Post-Award

1. GCA will initiate the process by notifying the PI and the Libraries with the award information
2. DMP is added to the Digital Library
3. The Libraries shares the record number with the GCA and PI to help with tracking
4. An inventory template is provided to the PI to help when reporting outputs to the Libraries



### III Current Workflow

#### Post-Award

- Annual reminders
- Final reminders once the award is complete
- Consequences for non-compliance





## IV Insights So Far

### Positives

- Collaboration
- Documentation
- Flexibility
- PI interest
- Collection interest

### Improvements

- Metadata quality
- Communication
- Timing
- PI concerns

### Still Figuring It Out

- New grants system implemented by GCA
- Annual reminders
- Inventory sheets
- Award Closeout





## V Current Projects

### Metadata Clean-Up

- Descriptions
- Keywords
- Co-PIs
- Checking for published research

### Integrating New Grants System

- Figuring out the submission data
- Adding Project IDs to the Digital Libraries' records





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# Thank you for listening!

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