# **Collection Development and Management Issues**

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# Who?

# What?

## Where?

# When?

# Why?

## How?

#### But lets re-order those for this talk

Why? What? How? Who? Where? When?

# Why?

## Why are you interested in digitizing content?

#### Is there something specific that needs work?

# Can your institution sustain a project?

#### Are there opportunities to collaborate?

#### There are many reasons to start a project.

## Inadequate access

#### Local needs

#### **Building local capacity**

#### An itch to scratch

## Having a why is important

# In some cases the "why" doesn't make sense to everyone.

# But you need to have a reason for starting down this road.

# What?

# What is it that you are interested in working on?

#### What is important to your institution?

# Your library?

## Your users?

# Your community?

#### Has your content been digitized already?

#### Was it done well?

#### What are the rights associated with it?

Does it just need some tweaking or does it need to be done again from scratch?

## Is digitizing content the right direction for you?

#### Allow me to digress...

# Have you thought about working with born-digital content?

#### In many ways isn't it the most at risk?

# We spend so much time pointing to things on the web.

# We don't "collect" this content unless someone packages it up for us.

# If someone packages it up we buy it.

# Because it is good content.

# Much of this content isn't well described.

# And is very likely to disappear

# Don't bet on the kindness and forward thinking of groups like the Internet Archive

## Take some action.

# Pick an important publication or dataset and acquire and curate it for you and others.

# Everyone do this...

# Really... you should do this.

# An example

# **Environmental Policy Collection**

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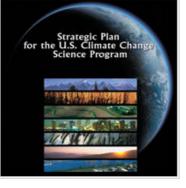
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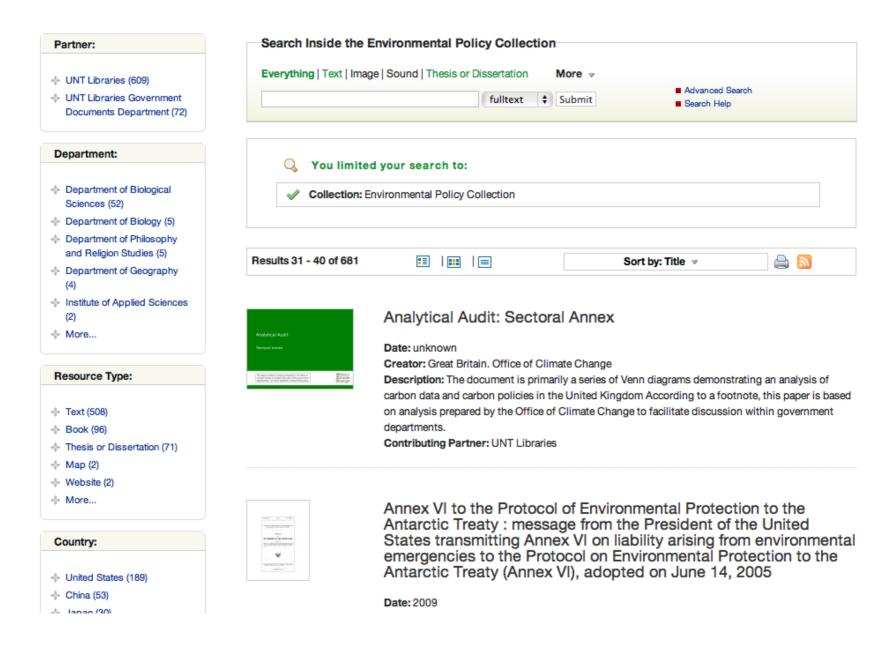
The Environmental Policy Collection contains a variety of open access resources that provide a balanced view on environmental issues and their potential consequences. The current focus of the collection is climate change, and the documents come from such agencies and individuals as:

- United States Climate Change Science Program
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- International Geosphere-Biosphere Programme
- Climate Change and Agriculture and Food Security
- Earth System Science Partnership
- Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
- United Nations Environment Programme
- World Meteorological Organization
- University of North Texas (UNT) graduate students

#### About This Project

The UNT Libraries are working to identify, collect, organize, and manage digital resources relevant to environmental policy. For this endeavor, the Libraries will provide digital infrastructure and stewardship to ensure perpetual access to the resources collected. We are actively seeking content partners. To learn more about how you can participate in the Environmental Policy Collection project, contact Nathan Hall nathan.hall@unt.edu or Daniel Alemneh daniel.alemneh@unt.edu.





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#### Statistics for Environmental Policy Collection

Item Usage

More Data



#### Usage by Month/Year

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
2011	2,412	2,669	2,672	2,812	3,128	2,818	1,716						18,227
2010	187	765	1,079	1,335	3,483	8,353	2,065	1,154	1,795	3,997	2,709	2,846	29,768

## Back to the regularly schedule broadcast

# The rest of the presentation applies to all projects.

# How?

## How are you going to acquire the content?

# Do you own it?

# What condition is it in?

# Do you have other copies?

# Are you in a position to perform destructive digitization?

Are you trying to preserve the original with digitization or just trying to provide access to the content between the covers?

## Is your source material even paper?

# Microfilm? Microfiche? MicroCard?

# Do you have a system for managing this content?

# A digital library system?

# A digital preservation system?

# Do you have support from various stakeholders around the library?

Collection developers? Digital library staff? Research Services? Library or Campus IT?

# Especially that last one

# That can make or break a project.

# Do you have standards for your project?

# Do you have a workflow?

# Who?

### Who comes in may levels

# High level:

# Are you doing this project alone or with others?

#### Another institution?

# A consortium?

### Are there others interested in this same content?

#### Does it make sense to share the work?

# Lower level:

# Who in the organization will be responsible?

# Is it another group or is it going to be you?

# Lowest level:

# Who is actually going to do the work?

# Will you do it internally?

### Staff time? Student time? Volunteer time?

#### Will you get someone else to do the work?

#### Contract with a vendor?

# Will you need an RFP?

# Does your workflow allow for multiple people to interact with it at once?

# Where?

## Do you have adequate space to stage a project?

# A dozen or so books/items is pretty straight forward.

# What happens when a handful turns into shelves? Carts? Ranges?

# Staging of content before, during and after is important.

# Especially for valuable content.

### Where is also important for the digital stuff.

Local Computer? Network Storage?

# How much will you need?

# How much do you have?

#### How close are those numbers?

# When the project is completed, where does the digital content go?

# When?

### What are you timeframes?

# Is there an important date coming up?

Building opening? Anniversary? Conference?

#### Plan around these.

# Wrapping up...

# The nice thing about digital projects is that they are useful at all levels

#### Large projects are important.

# Small highly curated projects are important.

# As is everything else.

## You can only learn this process by doing

### Pick a small pilot and get started

# Ask questions

## Work with others

#### These are new skills we had to all learn

# questions?

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