



ScholarSphere Case Study

Presented by Carolyn Cole

Contributions by Patricia Hswe & Helene Huet



ScholarSphere



- ScholarSphere is a self deposit institutional repository built by the Penn State Libraries
 - ScholarSphere is built using the Sufia gem, which is part of the Hydra project
 - ScholarSphere is primarily focused on depositing files or groups of files by end users



ScholarSphere's Public Face



- Anyone can access public files and metadata in ScholarSphere
- Anyone can search via the ScholarSphere UI or google
- Anyone can download public files and see usage statistics



ScholarSphere Users Can...



Create collections out of the files they have uploaded

View their history of system use and activity

Manage their files and collections



ScholarSphere Admin User Can...



Modify Content on the home page

Identify and feature deposited files

View usage statistics about the system as a whole

Uploading Files

Files can be uploaded from the users desktop or from their Box and DropBox Accounts.

Files can be of any format

ScholarSphere performs file metrics against each file

ScholarSphere generates thumbnails and other derivatives for formats it understands (Office Documents, Images and Some Video)

Create Collections

- Collections contain zero or more files the user has uploaded to the system or have been shared with the user
 - Files can belong to more than one collection
 - Collections include metadata to allow the user to describe the collection

System Activity and Events



Statistics

files uploaded collections created

Recent system notifications

ingest being completed, metadata being applied, proxy activity, files being shared ect.

Proxy Authorization

Other system user authorized to upload files for the user

Recent file transfers

Other system user giving you a file

Manage Files & Collections

Files can be uploaded, edited, transferred, deleted, downloaded, highlighted, and linked to

Collections can be created, edited deleted, and add/remove member files

Modify Homepage Content

Using tinyMCE

Marketing Text block is editable

Featured Researcher Text Block is Editable

About Page is also Editable

Featured Works

- Featured Works are chosen by clicking feature on a file show page
 - Order can be changed via drag and drop
 - Featured Works can be removed by clicking the X on the item in the list

System Statistics Page

Total Files

Total count of files deposited into the system

Total Users

Any User that has logged into the system

Most Recent Users

Users that have logged into the system for the first time

Most Active Users

Users that have deposited the most files