



**ARCA ADMINISTRATORS MEETING
MONDAY FEBRUARY 22, 2016**

10:00 AM –11:30 PM

Online via Adobe Connect

Meeting recording available here:

<http://ac-connect.bccampus.ca/p99wstw6vvh/>

ATTENDEES:

Serena Ableson / Camosun College	Brenda Philip / University of the Fraser Valley
Gretchen Goertz / Douglas College	James MacDonald / University of Northern BC
Ted Goshaluk / Trinity Western University	Hillary Webb / Emily Carr University or Art + Design
Kathy Gaynor / Thompson Rivers University	Sunni Nishimura / BC ELN
April Haddad / Justice Institute of BC	Brandon Weigel / BC ELN

Regrets: Gregg Currie / Selkirk College; Cortney Newton / College of the Rockies

Notes

1. Adoption of agenda

Two additions:

- Is it possible to add previews of PDF?
- Search for this publication on Google scholar link not working consistently

2. Round of introductions for new admins

- New Arca members [Ted (TWU) and Serena (Camosun)]
- Brandon is the tech lead on project but we can ask questions of either Sunni or Brandon

3. Theming / SOLR Changes Update

- Have to prioritize theming changes if they are to be done by dgi, as there are limited contracted hours
 - Seed funding is used up
 - Ideally we need more participants coming on board, as more sites=more funds for development hours
 - Encourage new joiners!
- Reviewed Arca theme change requests document:

- Left justification rolled out to sites last week; documentation being prepared
- Created date issue: Brandon sent an email last week about how to fix; will be included in Arca documentation (available on “About Arca”)
- Ability to have different default list/grid option for each collection would require lots of time/money. Consensus: okay to leave as is.
- Browse collection page:
 - Collection Item Details View is implemented, allowing us to customize
 - Bug: Adding new fields in the UI is extremely slow and may cause browser to hang. Community is working on fixing)
- Title and subtitle display (titles getting cut off) is fixed with a form update. Existing records need to be updated.
- Italicized text:
 - Metadata text can be italicized by wrapping in HTML tags `<i></i>`
 - Other HTML tags can also be used, to bold, link, etc.
 - This does not work in the Title field; this cannot be changed.
- Ability to change text and link colours; more control over font display:
 - Direct changes to CSS files are not feasible, as the theme overwrites when updated/altered.
 - CSS Injector module is installed; we can create rules and add custom CSS to override the defaults.
 - CSS Injector changes will not be overwritten when the theme is updated.

4. Google Analytics Update

- Two possible ways of placing faculty metrics on profile pages:
 - Metrics tab for scholars: Can be done with Islandora Usage Stats and some custom coding, but take 25 hours of development time
 - May be worth approaching other institutions/groups to share the cost
 - Use Google Analytics to place blocks on specific types of pages rather than on a tab; see Arca main site example:
<http://arcabc.ca/islandora/object/cotr%3A30>
- Live map:
 - discoverygarden could create a live usage map like Digital Commons, with development hours
 - Brandon has implemented a live map on Arca using Piwik, a locally-hosted analytics tool. He will create Piwik profiles for all child sites.
- Google Analytics:

- Metrics reports can be displayed on individual pages, objects, collections, etc.
 - This can be enabled immediately via the Google Analytics Reports Page block, and fields customized in Views – documentation available.
 - While not attractive, the block can be customized with CSS Injector.
- Google Analytics is working; each site needs to set up and authorize its own profile and property ID.
- Possible snags in setting up Google Analytics, e.g. pulling in stats from other properties. Let Brandon know if you run into problems.
- Scholar module:
 - Citation link “Search for this publication on Google scholar” is not working on some objects with no DOI
 - With no DOI, should link to search using title
 - Brandon will investigate objects that do not do this correctly
 - Citations PDF: Gretchen asks whether there are other options for PDF preview, or an abstract popup on mouseover
 - Improved metadata display on Citations: Brandon sent documentation on switching from COinS to Islandora standard
- Arca Browse link: Currently only able to browse child sites through Arca. Brandon is working on building a page to browse child sites directly.

5. Prioritising Next Steps for Theming and Configuration

- Complexity of ingest makes faculty or student self-submission difficult
- Desire simpler workflow, particularly for thesis submissions (self-submission required at TWU)

6. Question & Answer

- UNBC will be exposing their theses and dissertations to be harvested by LAC through OAI-PMH
- Proquest can also use OAI-PMH to harvest directly from Islandora
- Several forms were updated this morning, including a working Video form and tweaked Thesis and Citation forms to allow for longer titles

7. Next Meeting

- Sunni will send out a Doodle poll to schedule