Advancing the Creation, Dissemination, and Validation of Digital Scholarship on Campus

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Digital scholarship is...

- Collaborative
- Interdisciplinary
- Performed in a digital environment
- Often visual/interactive in its output
- Rarely finished
The tenure and promotion process

• Emphasizes PI and sole author roles

• Limits publication formats and venues

• Is slow to accept nontraditional modes & methods

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Who else validates digital scholarship?

- Community of fellow scholars
- Funding bodies
- Publishers
- Media outlets

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How can the university help?

• Don’t make assumptions…ASK
  – “What is digital scholarship?”
  – “How is your work similar/different from that of a traditional scholar?”
  – “How can we make sure we’re correctly assessing the impact of your scholarship?”

• Create a welcoming environment
  – Develop review criteria that accommodate everyone equally
  – Support early career digital scholars through mentoring
How can the library help?

• Support digital scholars
  – Ask how you can help
  – Try new things
• Collaborate
• Speak up!

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Thank you!

Further reading: bit.ly/pkp_ds

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