Digital Commons Initiatives at The Ames Library

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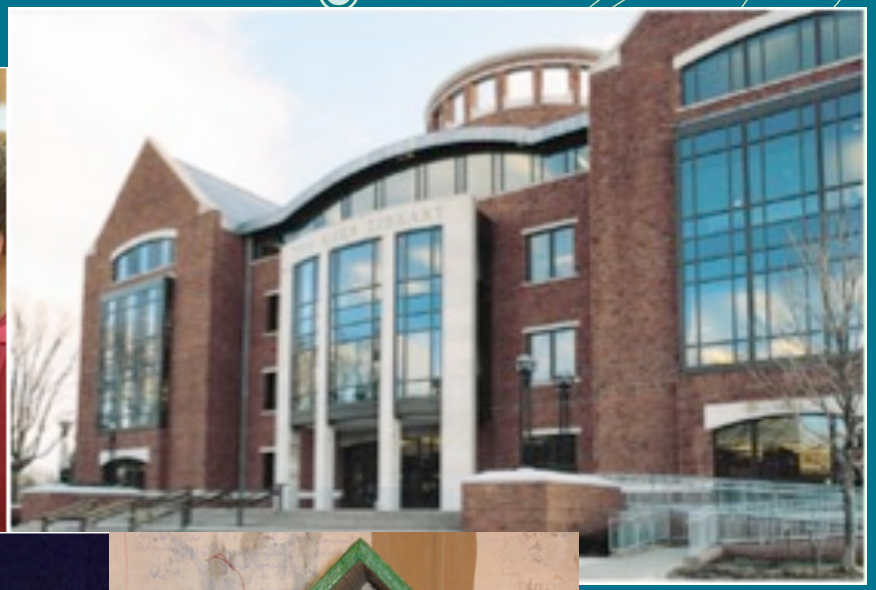





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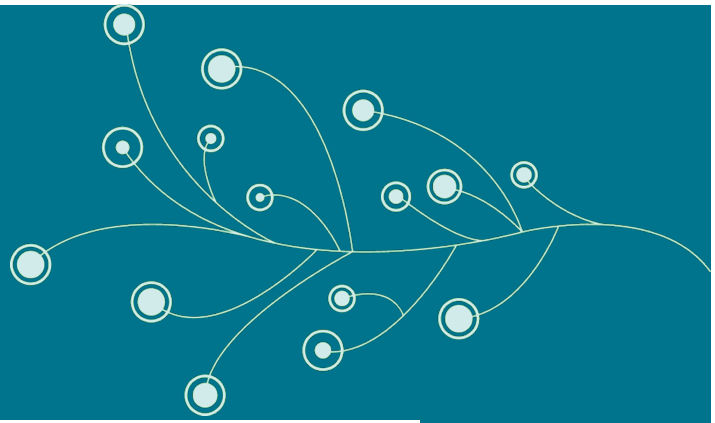

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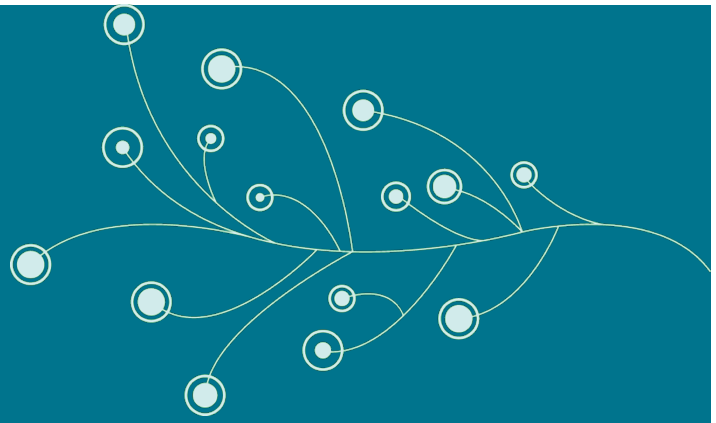


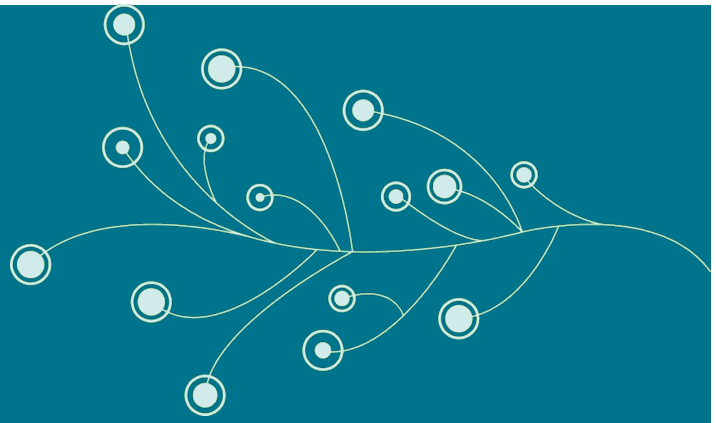
- Macalester College
- Colby College
- Occidental College
- Providence College
- Parkland College
- LASR (Liberal Arts Scholarly Repository)
- NITLE Dspace

Beginnings



- Ames Library Strategic Plan – 2004
- IWU Strategic Plan – 2006
- Records Management Plan - 2006
- IWU Campus Identity Study – 2007
- DC@IWU – December 2007

IWU Collections



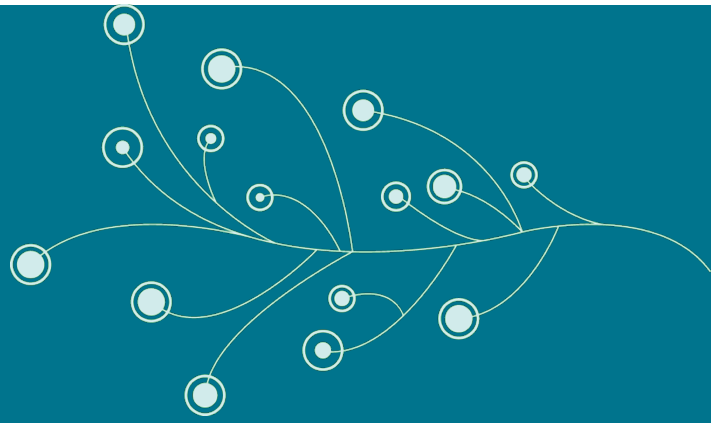
- Student Journals
- Honors Theses
- John Wesley Powell Undergraduate Research Conference
- Faculty nominated student works
- Faculty governance, accreditation documents
- Teaching Award addresses
- WGLT interviews with faculty

Music Collections



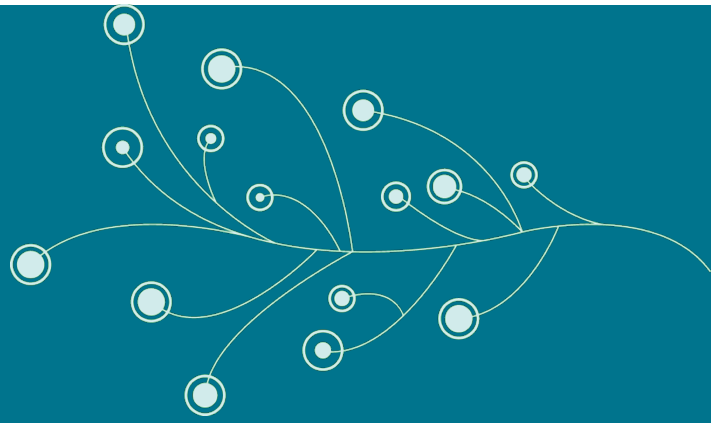
- IWU Original Student Compositions
- http://digitalcommons.iwu.edu/music_compositions/15/
- IWU Undergraduate Research Conference performances
- http://digitalcommons.iwu.edu/jwprc/2010/music/1/
- CalPoly Pomona: Senior music recitals, fliers:
- http://digitalcommons.calpoly.edu/mus_img/
- Wesleyan University:
- http://wesscholar.wesleyan.edu/maw_audio/
- Connecticut College: Pre-1923 scores
- http://digitalcommons.conncoll.edu/sheetmusic/
- Butler University: sample tracks
- http://works.bepress.com/kate_boyd/
- Western Kentucky Univ: teaching video
- http://works.bepress.com/john_cipolla/

Complexities



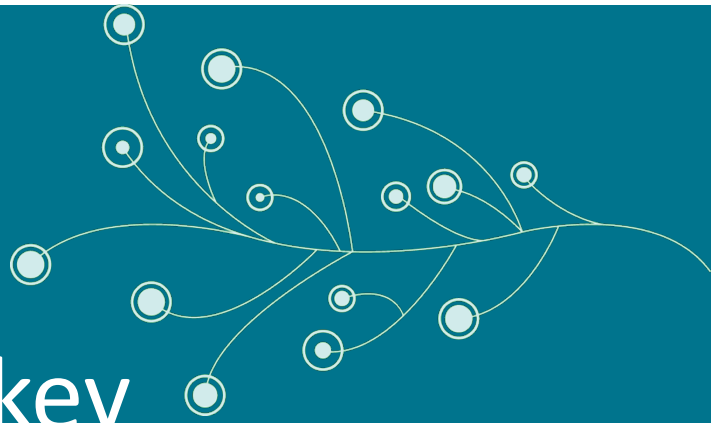
- Technical
- Permissions
- Workflow
- Copyright education
- Quality
- Creative works

Future Plans



- Advisory Board
- Research with *Undergraduate Economic Review* advisor
- Create new, maintain existing collections
- Continue to reach out to campus

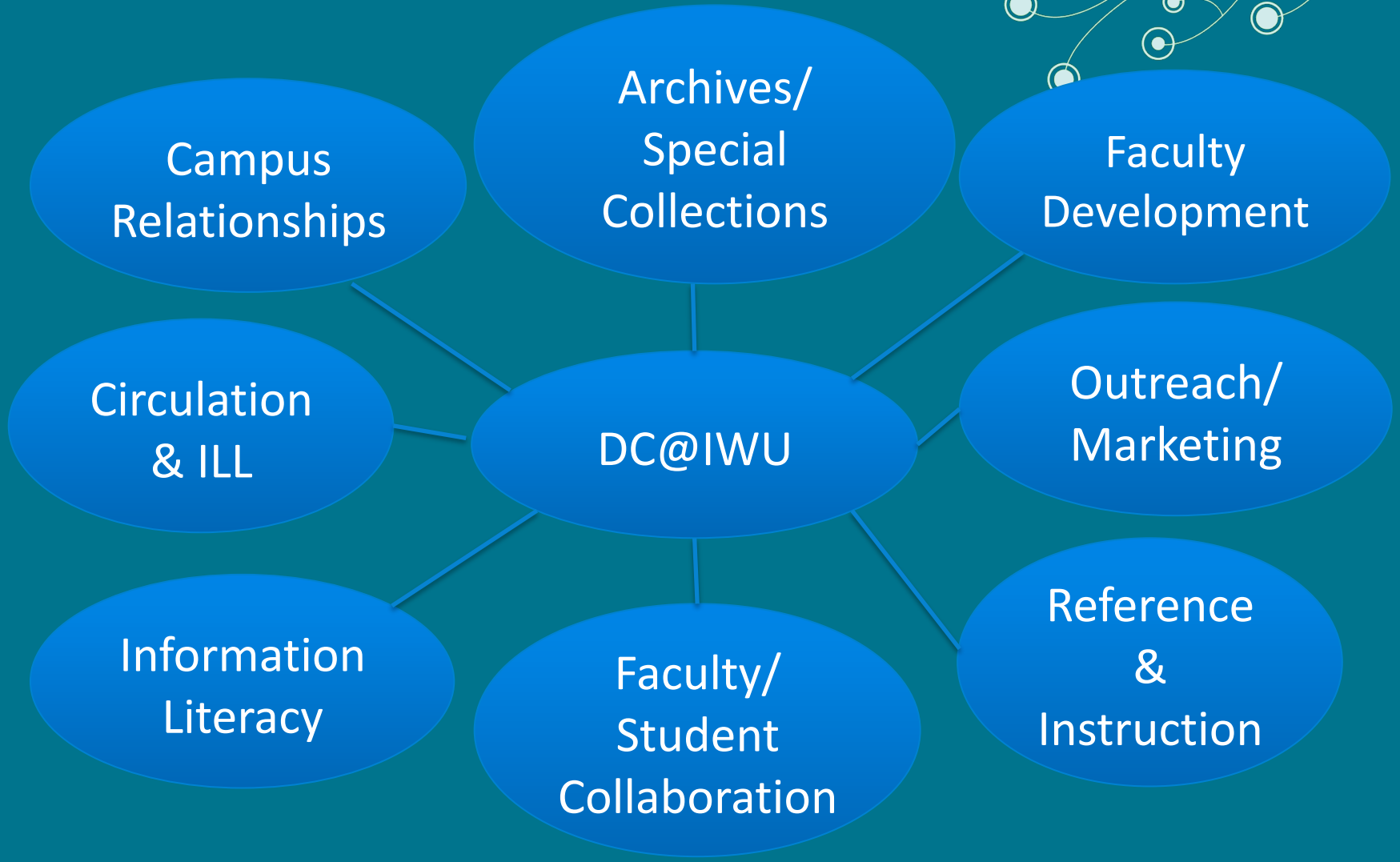
Getting Started



- Diversity of viewpoints key
- Consider campus culture
- Tailor your message
- “You want what?!” to “Why not?”
- Define what success means to you
- Communicate your successes
- Expand the definition of IR

Connections





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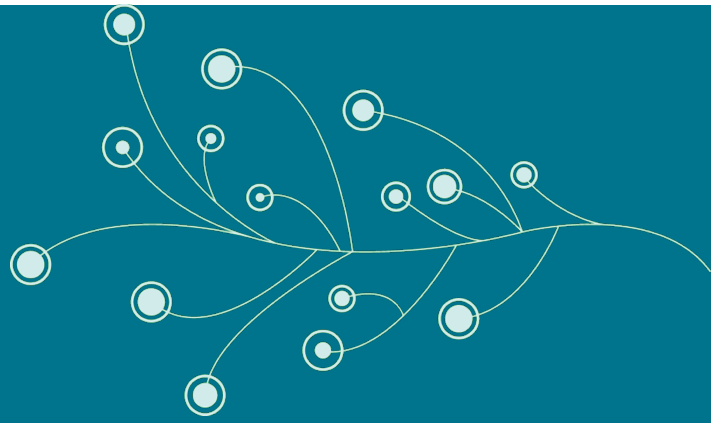

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