

Texas State New Faculty Research Digitization Services

The University Library is making available digitization services in kind for new faculty for original research digitization possibilities. These services are designed to specifically support new faculty research and Texas State's new designation as an emerging research institution and enabling new faculty areas of specialization by giving new faculty the opportunity to digitize original primary documents and collections which they may possess or be in the process of gathering for research purposes (primary documents, images, artifacts, audio, video, 3-dimensional collections). This initiative is being carried out by the Division of Collection and Digital Services (Acquisitions, Metadata and Digital Services) in tandem with the university libraries' new digitization lab and new digital services capabilities.



Criteria:

- New tenure-track faculty are eligible for services for research digitization services during their first year of appointment.
- Services will be provided in kind per faculty member for scanning, digitization, metadata and DSpace repository access of materials with one project proposal for requests for digitization of primary research material.
- Digitization projects must have a clearly defined scope and rights to all primary content to be digitized. The library will also help in determining copyright as questions arise. Eligible materials for digitization include primary historical or field note 'research documents, faculty primary research image collections (scientific, social sciences or humanities), original audio or video collections (interviews) or 3D artifacts (slides, specimens, archeological material). The library possesses a new 80 megapixel digital camera infrastructure congruent with top tier research museums and libraries.
- Preference will be given to those requests which open new faculty research at Texas State to a wider global audience. While original scope of project should be more strictly specified, the wider purpose is to initiate longer term bridges for new faculty with the university libraries digital repository capabilities (ie.

Digitization (scanning), online digital aggregation (online repository), Metadata application (Dublin Core and other high level Metadata schemas for global access). New faculty may also choose to apply for the Library Materials Research Grant in addition to their new faculty research digitization proposal.

- Requests should not include any purchase of ongoing subscriptions, software intended for classrooms or faculty offices, journal articles, multiple copies of the same item, or materials already held by the library
- The principal purpose of the services is to encourage research and creative activities of new faculty and to enable faculty research with regards to global digital library repository possibilities.

The screenshot shows the Texas State University Digital Collections website. At the top left is the university logo with the text "TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY" and "The rising STAR of Texas". Below the logo is the name "Albert B. Alkek Library". The main navigation area includes a search bar with a "Go" button, a link to "Advanced Search", and a "Browse" section with sub-links for "All of Digital Collections", "Communities & Collections", "By Issue Date", "Authors", "Titles", and "Subjects". There is also an "Author's Corner" section with links for "About Digital Collections", "First-time Users", "Submission Types", "License and Agreements", "FAQs", and "Login". The main content area is titled "Texas State University Digital Collections Repository" and contains a description of the repository's purpose. Below this is a section titled "Communities in Digital Collections" with a list of links: "Departments, Schools, Centers & Institutes", "Dissertations & Theses", "Journals & Peer Reviewed Series", "The Wittliff Collections", and "University Archives".

Services are available on a first-come, first-serve basis to faculty, as long as there capacity for the year in the wider department.

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