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INSTITUTE of
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Preparing for the Online Knowledge Universe

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About the Institute of Museum and Library Services

- **IMLS** is the largest Federal cultural funding agency
- **Budget:** FY2009 \$274,840,000
- **Mission:** *To create strong museums and libraries*
- **Goals**
 - Sustain heritage, culture, and knowledge
 - Enhance learning and innovation
 - Support professional development

Obama Administration Priorities

- **Advance research and development**
- **Increase innovation and competitiveness**
- **Enhance education**
- **Democratize data produced by and for the Federal government**

--*"Harnessing the Power of Digital Data for Science and Society,"* National Science And Technology Council, Committee on Science

http://www.nitrd.gov/about/Harnessing_Power_Web.pdf

Challenges for the Online Knowledge Universe

- **Develop professional skills and knowledge**
- **Develop sustainable repositories**
- **Enhance discovery and develop tools to support advanced research and re-use**
- **Build the content landscape**
- **Address copyright barriers**

Education for Digital Stewardship

**University of North
Carolina at Chapel
Hill (2006, 2008)**

**Digital Curation
Program**

**Partnership with
National Archives and
Records Administration**



<http://www.ils.unc.edu/digcurr2007/>

Education for Digital Stewardship



**University of Illinois
Urbana Champaign
(2006, 2008)**

**New MLS
concentration in
data curation**

**Partnerships with science
data centers**

http://www.lis.uiuc.edu/programs/ms/data_curation.html

Education for Digital Stewardship

**University of Arizona
(2006)**

**Online graduate
certificate program**

<http://sirls.arizona.edu/program/digIn>



New Education Awards - 2008

- **UCLA – Archival educators consortium; doctoral programs for archives faculty**
- **UIUC – Digital humanities curation**
- **University of Maryland – LIS internships in digital humanities centers**
- **University of Michigan – Digital archives program, internships in data repositories**
- **UNC Chapel Hill – Doctoral program in digital curation**
- **Pratt Institute - MSLIS/museum library certificate program with Brooklyn Museum**

Education Grant Information

- **Doctoral programs**
- **Master's degree programs**
- **Pre-professional recruitment**
- **Research, including Early Careers**
- **Institutional capacity building**
- **Continuing education**

21st Century Librarians Program

Awards: to \$1,000,000

Deadline: December 15, 2009



Develop Sustainable Repositories

**Johns Hopkins
University
National Virtual
Observatory
(2006)**

**Partnership with
University of
Edinburgh, JISC, CURL**

<http://www.virtualobservatory.org/>



Data Curation Research

Purdue University (2006)

Distributed Data Curation Center

[Partnership with UIUC]

Case studies of researcher data/metadata workflow, curation profiles across disciplines, system requirements for managing data in repositories

<http://d2c2.lib.purdue.edu/>



Address Copyright Barriers



University of Michigan (2008) Copyright Review Management System

**A collaborative resource for determining the
copyright status of books published in the US
between 1923 & 1963**

National Leadership Grant Information

- **Research**
- **Demonstration**
- **Advancing Digital Resources**
- **Library and Museum Collaborations**
- **Collaborative Planning Grants up to \$100,000**

National Leadership Grants Program

Awards: Up to \$1,000,000

Deadline: February 1, 2010



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