ANSS: Anthropology and Sociology Section
Association of College and Research Libraries (ACRL)

Anthropology Discussion Group
2013 ALA Midwinter Conference, Seattle, WA

Can You Dig(itize) it?: Possibilities in Anthropology

Date: Sunday, January 27, 2013
Time: 4:30pm to 5:30pm
Venue: Westin Seattle Hotel, Grand Crescent

Minutes

1. Welcome and Introductions; attendance = 19 plus the 2 speakers.
2. Speakers
   a. Karen Estlund, Head of Digital Scholarship, (Univ. of Oregon): Karen described the digital collection Latino Roots in Oregon, http://latinoroots.uoregon.edu/ based on the research conducted in an anthropology/journalism course on Oregon Latino communities. She discussed the goals of the collection, processes, lessons learned, and future directions for the project. She showed sample pages from the project.
   b. John Russell, Scholarly Communications Librarian, (Univ. of Oregon): For five years, John has worked on the Mana’o Project, an open access repository for Anthropology scholarship, and more recently has been working on an open access project with the Society for Cultural Anthropology (SCA), http://sca.culanth.org. He talked about the SCA’s plans regarding open access as well as open access/publishing issues within the American Anthropological Association and beyond, such as the new open access journal Hau: Journal of Ethnographic Theory, http://www.haujournal.org/. John’s talk was also illustrated with examples from SCA web site, including ShareCA, their open access initiative, http://production.culanth.org/supplementals/open_access
3. Group Discussion: Q&A generated discussion about the American Anthropological Association’s stance on open access publishing and about technical and other aspects of the Latino Roots course.
4. Topic for Annual Conference: Solicited input on a topic for the Anthropology Librarians Discussion Group for Annual Conference 2013 in Chicago. Linguistic Anthropology is a possibility but we are open to other suggestions.
5. Announcement: Reminder concerning the need for input into the Anthropology Librarians Tool Kit, http://connect.ala.org/node/173710 and message from Terry Epperson that Review & Planning is putting the toolkits on the front burner and suggesting appointing additional ANSS members to the Tool Kits Task Force.
6. Adjournment
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