WAS Service Update – January 2012
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WAS Service Description
The Web Archiving Service enables librarians, archivists and researchers to capture, curate and preserve websites and web-published materials. WAS makes it easy to build web archives, with scheduling and other tools to help manage your archive. You control public access to your archives and can configure the appearance and navigation of each archive. We also provide collection development consultation and help desk support for web archiving questions.

WAS Service Manager
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Additional WAS Information (training materials, videos, guides, etc.) More information about WAS is available at <was.cdlib.org> or by sending an inquiry to <washelp@ucop.edu>

WAS Activity in January 2012

Consortium Partners: The Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC)

As the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Libraries join the Web Archiving Service, they become the third CIC organization using WAS, qualifying CIC institutions consortial pricing. Northwestern University and the University of Michigan Bentley Historical Library are already active WAS partners, and we look forward to bringing UIUC on board! We will be conducting outreach with CIC members in February, and hope to welcome more CIC organizations to the service in the future.

UC Irvine Archive

As reported in December, the UC Irvine Special Collections and Archives staff began the research to build a comprehensive archive of the Irvine campus. WAS support staff provided UCI curators with some advance research on the uci.edu domain, providing a list of over 380 uci.edu hosts. The Irvine curators evaluated and supplemented this list, adding 111 domains. Using some of the best practices established by University of Michigan archivists, Irvine curators also provided metadata and navigational tags for the sites, investing a total of 45 hours to build a comprehensive Irvine campus archive.
This is a testament to the difference that working with the WAS support staff can make – 77% of the sites in the archive were identified by the WAS support team, saving a great deal of curator effort. So don’t hesitate to contact us when you’re planning an archive!

The investment of effort in the archive has already begun to pay off. Early in January, the WAS support team was contacted by the UC Irvine Communications Services department. That department is preparing a redesign of the UC Irvine websites, and was looking for a tool they could use to archive the old sites. This is actually a common use case for WAS; CDL, UCOP, the USDA and others have used the service to help with the transition to a substantially redesigned website.

The Irvine Communications Services staff were delighted to hear that the Library had already undertaken the preservation of the older sites! The UC Irvine Libraries are using WAS to provide a very valuable service to the campus, and CDL is delighted to provide the tools and support to do so.

**WAS Collection Stats & Trends: January 2012**

- 82 archives actively collected
- 1,704 sites archived
- 1.2 terabytes of content added
- UC Irvine archived 495 campus websites.
- WRCA archived 488 California water agency and resource sites.

**Service Monitoring and Availability**

Check WAS’ system status page [http://www.cdlib.org/contact/system.html](http://www.cdlib.org/contact/system.html)