Email Archives: Building Capacity and Community

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Email Archives: Building Capacity and Community is a four-year program seeking to build email archiving capacity in archives, libraries, and museums. The program, which is sponsored by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, will fund projects of $25,000 to no more than $100,000 dollars. The goal of this project is to build a broad community of institutions that actively preserves email as part of their research collections.

PROJECTS TO CONSIDER

We request proposals for institutional or collaborative projects that will implement recommendations such as those found in the Future of Email Archives Report.

Short-Term Actions
Reference 6.2.1 Low Barrier/Short-Term Actions

◊ Assess Institutional Readiness for Email Collections
◊ Demystify Email Archiving for Collection Donors
◊ Maintain Assessment of Email Tools
◊ Test Existing Tools for Data Impact and Data Loss
◊ Improve Format Identification, Characterization, & Validation Tools

Long-Term Activities
Reference 6.2.2 High-Impact/Long-Term Activities

◊ Improve Tools for Sensitivity Review
◊ Sustain the Email-Archiving Community
◊ Develop Criteria for Email Authenticity
◊ Demonstrate Value for Email as Research Data Source
◊ Improve the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF) Request for Comments Standards Documentation for MBOX
◊ Improve Standards Documentation for EML
◊ Improve Options for PDF in Email-Archiving Workflows

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GRANT FAQS

◊ How much support may be requested?
  $25,000-$100,000

◊ When is the pre-submission deadline?
  June 5, 2020

◊ Is cost share required?
  No

◊ When is the submission deadline?
  June 30, 2020
For more information about the program and submitting a proposal, please visit the Email Archives: Building Capacity and Community project website.
https://emailarchivesgrant.library.illinois.edu/