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# Building Your Fan Base: Promoting Your Repository On and Off Campus

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# Agenda

- Background
- Transformed roles
- Strategic future



### **UMass Amherst Profile**

- Public Land-grant, Research Intensive University
- Over 28,000 students, 1200 faculty
- 108 bachelor's, 76 masters, 50 doctorates





### ScholarWorks@UMass Amherst



#### Established in 2006.

- First collections:ETDs
- Faculty researcher pages
- Rasenna journal in Etruscan Studies
- Research Centers
- CommunityEngagement







# Community Engagement

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#### Community Engagement

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Joint EWRI-AFS Fish Passage Reference Database

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Read the documents and related information from the 9/12/13 symposium here.



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### Transforming Librarian Roles

- Library as active steward of scholarship
- Curate digital research and creative scholarly works
- Provide expertise on metadata, author rights, usage rights
- Expand liaison role with faculty
- Information and digital fluency
- Promote Open Access initiatives
- Create strategic partnerships
- Nexus of communication

### Partnerships

- Faculty, researchers
- Honors students, undergraduate research
- Archivists and Librarians

- Academic Offices
  - Provosts Office
  - Office of Research, Sponsored Programs
  - Office of Outreach, Cooperative Extension
  - Graduate School

# Challenge - Funding

- Library Acquisitions Budget
- Library Personnel Budget
- Partnerships for Digital Repository Resident
  - Office of Research
  - Graduate School
  - Provosts Office
  - Honors College
- Library Work Study Student budget



## Challenge – Faculty Perceptions

### Open Access

- What value is there in publishing in open access journals?
  - Impact on tenure and promotion?
  - Potential problems with author pays financial model?

### Copyright Issues

- Who owns the copyright to works published in an open access journal?
- What can a faculty member do to preserve the right to post a previously published work to an open access journal?



# Strategic Planning

- Alignment with institution priorities
- Discovery and impact
- Community engaged teaching, learning, research
- Openness and intellectual integrity
- Integration and collaboration
- Culture of evidence, demonstrated value
- Research advantage

### **Best Practices**

- Partnerships are key to success
- Embrace institution's strategic plan
- Be flexible, resilient, creative