**ETD Programs: New Developments and Hot Topics**

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Participants in this session will gain both knowledge of and practical experience with some of today’s ETD lifecycle management topics and tools, including ORCID IDs, ETD preservation guidance briefs, and tools and methods for handling ETD content “beyond the PDF” (e.g., datasets and other supplementary files).

The workshop will address the following:

1. **Data Curation and ETDs:** ***How may institutions develop effective policies, programs, and services to support curation/preservation of student datasets and complex digital objects?*** We will train participants in the use of an emerging set of tools geared toward helping institutions establish appropriate local approaches to handling the supplementary materials many students produce during their ETD research process. These resources include student-oriented *Guidance Briefs* on six important lifecycle management topics (e.g., data structures, version control) and the ETD Curation Workbench (a Hydra-Sufia-based submission and preservation packaging tool that is both open source and easy to integrate with existing repository infrastructures). Attendees will gain pilot access to these materials, all of which will be released by the Educopia/NDLTD team as open source and open access components by 2017. (These resources are being developed through generous funding from the Institute of Museum and Library Services.)

2**. ORCID IDs: *How can institutions plant the seeds of identity disambiguation at the beginning of researchers’ careers?*** ORCID IDs are becoming a key component to many university’s ETD programs.  ORICID IDs, which provide ETD authors with a unique numerical ID that allows for disambiguation from other authors with similar names, provide for many advantages for universities and authors. This session will describe the background of the ORCID program, as well as describe information regarding how ORCID is growing and evolving.

This workshop will help ETD administrators gain practical knowledge and skills they will be able to use assist their own student researchers in understanding how their approaches to identity management and data and content management impact credibility, replicable research, and general long-term accessibility.

Tentative Agenda:

09:00-09:30 AM Welcome and Interactive Overview

09:30-10:15 AM ETD Guidance Briefs

10:15-10:30 AM Break

10:30-11:15 AM ORCID IDs

11:15-11:45 AM ETD Curation Tools

11:45-12:00 PM Q&A, Wrap up