Merritt Service Update: February 2015

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Recent Enhancements, News, and Activities

- **Replication at UCLA**. We are currently replicating all content in SDSC to our storage node at UCLA. We estimate this will be completed by the end of March 2015.
- **Automated harvesting process**. We recently reached a milestone in our work with Open Context, the open access repository for archaeology data (http://opencontext.org). We have an automated harvest process using the Atom feed of their datasets to ingest into Merritt. We have gone through the entire set of almost 1 million objects and ingested them successfully. This is the largest collection in Merritt by number of objects. You'll find the Merritt collection here: https://merritt.cdlib.org/m/ucb_open_context
- **Merritt search**. Search in Merritt has always been limited to just metadata: creators, titles, dates and identifiers. We currently also limit search to words of 4 characters or more. We just discovered that there is a default set of stop-words that are not searched: http://dev.mysql.com/doc/refman/5.0/en/fulltext-stopwords.html
  This seems too extensive for our use ("thanx", "c'mon"?), so we'll be re-configuring it with far fewer stopwords. We are currently investigating how to improve search generally in Merritt. Please let us know if you have particular use cases that we should meet.

Merritt Service Description

Merritt is a production level service that provides the UC community with an easy to use tool to manage, archive, and share their content. Content can be deposited and managed via a user-interface or an API.

Merritt Service Manager

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Please send any questions or general correspondence to uc3@ucop.edu.

Training Materials, Guides, FAQs and Webinars

More information about Merritt is available at http://www.cdlib.org/services/uc3/merritt or by sending an inquiry to uc3@ucop.edu

Service Monitoring and Availability

Check the Merritt system status page at http://www.cdlib.org/contact/system.html.

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