ScholarWorks 2017 Year End Report

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Items in ScholarWorks

There were 27,713 items in ScholarWorks and 1870 in SelectedWorks at the end of 2017

- 5817 were added to ScholarWorks and 38 to SelectedWorks in 2017
- 1390 or 24% of those were added by people outside the libraries
- With a 20 hour/week grad assistant we have been adding 4000-5000 items per year

The most significant additions in 2017 were:

- Calliope – a literary journal that started in the 1950’s – 1040 items added, not complete
- Master’s Theses – 982 added, older theses added back to 1982
- Dissertations – 839 added, completed adding theses from ProQuest back to 1968
- Western News – 543 added, complete back to 1972
- School of Music Graduate an Faculty Recitals – 245 programs added
- Western Michigan University Newsletter (1955-1971) – 116, complete
- Books – 106 WMU Authors
- Course Catalogs – 72 added going back to 1936

Added by others:

- International Congress on Medieval Studies – 578 sessions in 2017 schedule
- Comparative Drama – 310 items, 7 back volumes, 4 recent issues
- Honors Theses – 144
- Medicine Research Day – 121 – School of Medicine started adding items

Other Journals – all but 2 journals published at least one issue in 2017
Downloads

- Items in ScholarWorks have been downloaded 5,299,975 times since 2011 and SelectedWorks – 8,784, for a total of 5,308,759
- In 2017 alone we had 1,549,441 downloads in total, with only 1,608 of those for SelectedWorks

- Most downloaded series in 2017:
  - Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare – 364,828 (is second overall since 2011)
  - Reading Horizons – 311,381 (still first overall, as it was one of the first things we put up)
  - Dissertations – 260,256
  - Honors Theses – 225,870
  - Master’s Theses – 85,748
  - First World War Central Power POW Camps (photos) – 10,733

- Most downloaded items in 2017
  - The Effect of Classroom Environment on Student Learning (honor thesis) – 71,012
  - A Phenomenological Study into How Students Experience and Understand the University Presidency (dissertation) – 29,694
  - An Ecological Approach for Social Work Practice (JSSW) – 19,266

Communities and Series

- 21 top level communities – all the colleges plus major offices and units or initiatives across campus, like Assessment and Global Engagement are represented
- 63 second-level communities, which include all but 3 academic departments, plus centers and institutes.
- 297 series, and series are the ones that contain content
  - 126 of these are virtual – we filter out items from another series by department
    - 45 honors theses series by department
    - 33 books series by faculty
    - 24 dissertations series
    - 24 master’s theses series
  - 4 are empty – still waiting for someone to enter content or need to be deleted
  - 43 series do not get any downloads, as there is no content to download, which includes 27 of the faculty book series, that only have links to catalogs and Amazon, conferences that only contain the schedule of presentations and not the presentations themselves; or where downloads are restricted (one journal and some audio/video files)
  - 28 were added in 2017, 6 of those virtual
  - 16 of the series are journals
    - 1 added in 2017 – Calliope
    - 29% of content in ScholarWorks, 59% of downloads