# DEVELOPING A MODEL FOR FACULTY SCHOLARLY METRICS SERVICES ACROSS DIVERSE HEALTH SCIENCES AUDIENCES: FROM DREAMING TO DOING

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# THE DREAM: A NEW ROLE FOR LIBRARIANS

Librarians as Partners with Departments & Faculty for Scholarly Communications



### The Dream: Crafting the Faculty Scholarly Narrative



http://www.aaup.org/reportsand-publications/academe

#### Faculty/College Needs

- Scholarly Impact Metrics
- Enhance scholarly reputations
- Serve emerging needs such as societal impact

Design and test a program that can meet the diverse needs of all MSL client groups



#### The Dilemma: Online Identity and Scholarly Profile

**Tell Your Story** 







**Build an Online Profile** 











**Know Your Impact** 









# THE DOING: MSL TASK FORCE

Scholarly Impact Task Force Convened February 2016



### Texas A&M University: Medical Sciences Library (MSL)

- Client Groups
- Liaisons

Client Groups	No. of Faculty (FT)
Health Science Center:	321
College of Medicine	152
College of Nursing	52
College of Pharmacy	40
School of Public Health	77
College of Veterinary Medicine	303
College of Agriculture and Life Sciences	400+

Table 1. MSL's Client Groups



#### Objectives

#### Task Force Formed -- Liaisons

Identify needs and current knowledge gaps Learn process and available tools

Design a flexible program

Develop an adaptable blueprint

### Program Scope





## THE DOING: PARTNERING WITHIN

Office of Scholarly Communication Bruce Herbert, PhD



### Office of Scholarly Communication



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#### Best Practices for the use of

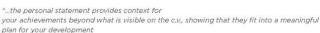
Scholarly Impact Metrics

#### Developing a Narrative About Scholarly and Creative Impact

We often have to develop a narrative of the impact of our scholarly and creative work for a dossier for tenure or promotion], grant proposals, or for an academic program review?

A scholarly impact narrative is a concise statement that explains the quality, productivity over time, and impact of your scholarly or creative work. The narrative often reports on your past accomplishments, present activities, and future plans. For instance, an impact narrative needed for your tenure and promotion dossier.

"...is your opportunity to make your own case. The statement communicates a quick sense of whether you know who you are, where you've been, and where you're going in your career."



as a scholar, teacher and university citizen."

It should provide an interpretation of your work and go beyond simple reiteration of the content of your vita. The statement, in conjunction with the CV, should provide evidence that significant research ideas and research activities are coming to fruition and that there is evidence of future promise.

#### **Evaluating Your Scholarly Impact**

Citation analysis and other bibliometric methods help justify your scholarly impact narrative by providing evidence of three characteristics of scholarship; scholarly output, scholarly impact, and the nature and



Source: UNSW Research Impact Guide http://subjectguides.library.unsw.edu.au/researchimpact

#### Supporting Librarian Liaisons

- Literature reviews to establish best practices
- Tools
- Partnerships on services

Scholarly Reputation & Impact

Copyright & Fair Use

Open Access (OA) Initiatives Digital Scholarship & Publishing

OSC White Paper | Research Impact 01



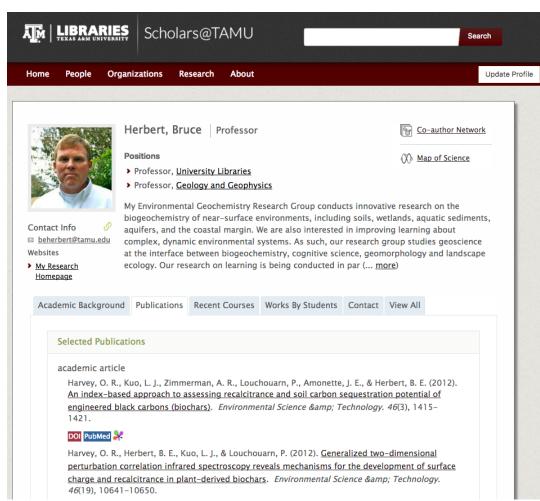
#### Scholars @ Texas A&M

People plus information on the work they do

Publicly-visible information, across disciplines

An open, shared platform for connecting scholars, research communities, campuses, and the world using Linked Open Data (LOD)

System of Record that represents all TAMU faculty



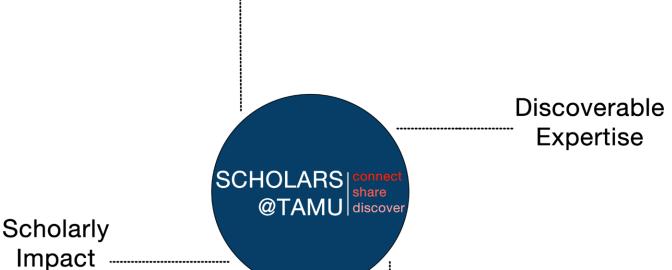
http://scholars.tamu.edu



Scholars @ Texas A&M

Research Profile System (VIVO)

Personalized Narratives
Through Custom Profiles



Features support customization to discipline-specific needs

**Metrics** 

Curate Scholarly Objects (Syllabi, Reports, Data, Presentations)



## THE DOING: PARTNERING EXTERNALLY

Liaison Activities



### CVM ORCID for early career researchers

Oct 2013

 University Libraries receives grant to support ORCIDs for graduate students as early career researchers

Beginning Feb 2014  Worked with Scholarly Communication Librarian to offer presentations to CVM graduate students (not DVM students)

Ongoing

- Partner with Office of Graduate and Professional Studies
- Scholarly Identity now part of graduate curriculum including a 2-hour session in required class



#### CVM Scholarly Impact Task Force

Admin

- Presentation to Executive Committee about Scholars@TAMU
- Received enthusiastic buy-in. In queue to be entered.

Groups

 Presentations to house officers (residents and interns), departments, departmental retreat

Individuals

 Consultations with individuals about narrative for promotion dossier



#### College of Medicine

Office of Research

- Needs: reporting, visibility of COM research, visibility into other disciplines' work
- What: COM as pilot group for proof-of-concept of researcher discovery tool
- Result: 140+ COM faculty; rollout to Texas A&M faculty by Fall 2017

Workshops

- Needs: Faculty digital identity, metrics tracking and consistency, visibility
- What: Two-part workshop (CME Credit) Constructing Your Narrative od Scholarly and Societal Impact; Open Publishing
- Result: 2 dept heads requiring Google Scholar Profiles for their faculty (45%↑)

Consults

- Needs: improve uptake on profile setup, guidance for journal selection, metrics
- What: Departmental and individual consults re: impact, <u>companion</u> to AAMC Bibliography of Journals for Educational Scholarship
- Result: visibility for the liaison, increased Scopus h-index for faculty



#### College of Pharmacy

Needs Assessment

- 50% of the faculty who responded to the survey hadn't tracked or measured their research impact using any tools or resources
- 91% didn't know their Scopus Author IDs or Web of Science profiles

Workshops

- Measuring & Enhancing your Research Impact
- NIH Biosketch Made Easy
- Scholars@TAMU at the college Ex Committee by OSC
- ORCiD Workflow towards Scholars@TAMU

Consults

- Individual faculty members
- Liaison as ORCiD and My NCBI delegate for faculty members



#### School Of Public Health

Scholars@TAMU

- Build researcher profiles for Public Health Faculty in Scholars@TAMU
- Lets faculty capture altmetric data
- Provides a single point of access to scholarly activities

Open Access Outreach

- Regularly promote University's repository service and University Libraries Open Access Knowledge Fund
- Organize meeting to discuss an open access policy at Texas A&M University [consequently, the issue is making its way through the University's Faculty Senate]

Additional Efforts

- Provide one-on-one consultations to gather and interpret metrics and recommend strategies to promote research activities
- Create a Medical Sciences Library Scholarly Communications LibGuide
- Develop a Data Management Workshop [best practices for managing research data]



#### College of Nursing

Tenure-track faculty

- Needs: Dossiers, metrics tracking, tenure guidelines
- What: CON followed COM pilot group for researcher discovery tool
- Results: 7 faculty added to Scholars@TAMU (100%)

Presentations

- Needs: Faculty digital identity, metrics tracking and consistency, visibility
- What: Demonstrated Web of Science & Scopus; Dossier workshop
- Result: 5 faculty requiring Google Scholar Profiles and ORCiDs

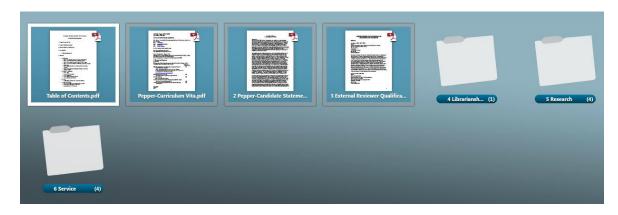
Consults

- Needs: Record metrics, CVs/Packets, write scholarly narrative
- What: Departmental and individual consults re: impact, portfolio assembly
- Result: Visibility for the liaison, 2 faculty ready for mid-term reviews



#### Task Force Outcomes



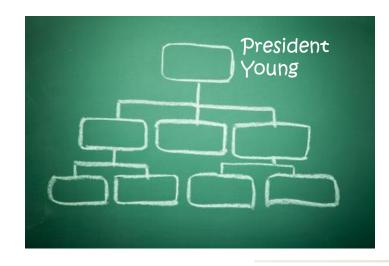


#### PUBLICATIONS

Publication Impact: Scopus (citations = 4, h-index =1; Google Scholar (citations = 13, h-index = 2); Web of Science (citations = 2, h-index = 1)





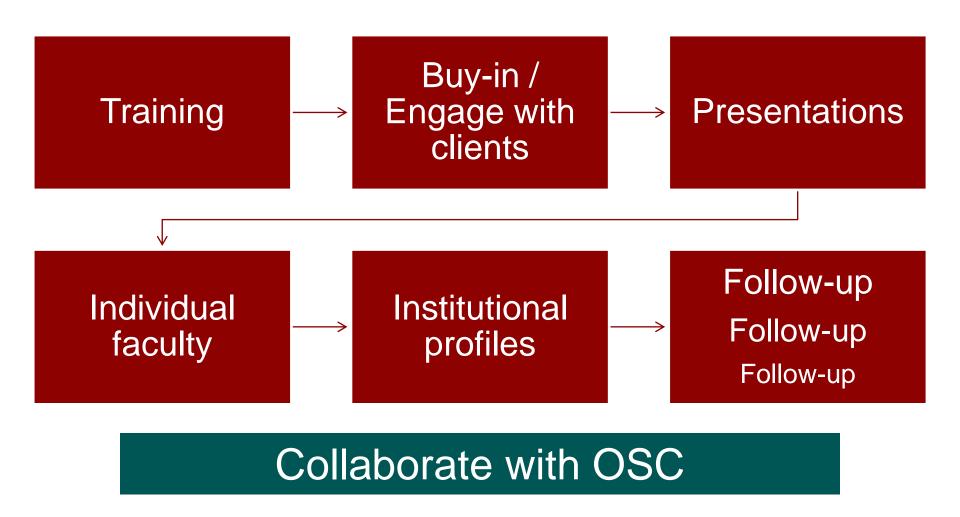


### Simonsen Metrics/Impact Template





#### Recommendations





#### Conclusions

- Established a new and workable service model
- Each client group needs customized approach depending on needs
- Requires consistent, repeated effort
- Developed a blueprint for MSL to implement future research support services
- Demonstrated a new value of liaisons in their assigned colleges/departments
- Enhanced the visibility of MSL and its services









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