

Plug In Show and Tell: Enhancing ArchivesSpace Spawn Functionality

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Background

Began ASpace implementation in April 2014

- currently using v 2.5.1

No previous collection management system

- diverse sources of legacy metadata: hand-written logs, typed print-only inventories, homegrown and proprietary databases, electronic docs...
- 3,000+ individual oral history interview records

Batch create accession records

- export legacy collection-level description from homegrown databases as CSV
- transform and map CSV to ASpace accession import
- batch import CSV as accession record

Goals

★ Represent all our holdings in ArchivesSpace

- Backlog Elimination Project 2017-2020
- prepare for new DAMS (soft launch early 2020)
- spawn resources from legacy accessions

★ Improve workflow efficiencies

★ Standardize legacy metadata (DACS compliant)

Plugin function goals

Batch spawn resources from accessions

- spawn multiple resources (rather than one at a time)
- auto-populate several required note fields upon spawn
- spawn all content in accession record

ArchivesSpace Default Spawn	Additional Fields to Spawn/Autopopulate
Title	Identifier
Date	Level of description
Extent	Restrictions
Related Accession	General Note
Agent(s)	Conditions Governing Access
Scope and Contents	Conditions Governing Use
Subject	Subject*
Classification	Classification*
Physical Description	EAD ID
	Finding Aid Date
	Finding Aid Author
	Description Rules
	Language of Description

Save Spawn Records

User Spawn Settings Defaults -- UNLV Special Collections and Archives

Edit these values to set user Spawn settings defaults for the current repository. ✕

Some tags, if enabled, require the text field to be filled out for the setting to be applied ✕

Enable Custom Settings

Tag name	Enable
Access Restrict	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
User Restrict	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Subject Link	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Classifications Link	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
EAD ID tag enable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Custom Settings

Access Restrict Note *	Collection is open for research. Where use copies do not exist, production of use copies is required before access will be granted; this may delay research re
User Restrict Note *	Materials in this collection may be protected by copyrights and other rights. See <extref xlink:actuate="onRequest" xlink:href="http://www.library.unlv.edu/spe
Subject Link *	/subjects/1104
Classifications Link *	/classifications/2
EAD ID tag *	US::NVLN::

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Further Information

Code shared through GitHub:

<https://github.com/UNLV-Libraries/ArchivesSpace-authority-project>

Open-Source Opens Doors: A Case Study on Extending ArchivesSpace Code at UNLV Libraries

<http://bit.ly/osodunlv>

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