Participant Profiles

CNI Digital Scholarship Centers Workshop
Spring 2014

Name of Institution: University of Richmond

Participant I Name: Kevin Butterfield
Participant I Email: kbutterf@richmond.edu
Participant I Title: University Librarian
Participant I Role in Digital Scholarship Center: The library has a robust digital production infrastructure. We partner with the Digital Scholarship Lab to create collections.

Participant II Name: Scott Nesbit
Participant II Email: snesbit@richmond.edu
Participant II Title: Associate Director, Digital Scholarship Lab
Participant II Role in Digital Scholarship Center: Scott Nesbit is the Digital Scholarship Lab’s associate director. He completed a PhD in History at the University of Virginia in 2013 and writes about space, place, and the end of slavery in the American Civil War. His essays and articles have appeared in a number of venues, including the Journal of the Civil War Era and Southern Spaces.

Name and URL associated with your digital scholarship center:
Digital Scholarship Lab.  http://dsl.richmond.edu/

If you have a mission statement or some similar description of your center, please share it here:
The Digital Scholarship Lab develops innovative digital humanities projects that contribute to research and teaching at and beyond the University of Richmond. It seeks to reach a wide audience by developing projects that integrate thoughtful interpretation in the humanities and social sciences with innovations in new media.

What services does your center support?:
Consultation on digital technologies
Consultation on digital project management

What type of staff is involved in the center?:
Multimedia professionals
Librarians
Information technologists
Undergraduate students

Please provide a URL or describe (in a few sentences) one digital project that has had support of the center:
Virginia and the Crisis of Union

On February 13, 1861, delegates representing all counties in Virginia met to decide how the state would respond to recent events, especially Abraham Lincoln's election and South Carolina's secession. They voted to remain in the Union and hoped that a compromise could be reached to defuse the situation. Two months later, the same men voted to secede from the
United States, sparking a radically different war than might otherwise have taken place. Secession: Virginia and the Crisis of Union links the fully transcribed text of these debates with a wealth of contextual information, giving users the tools to ask why the men who brought the war into their own counties and neighborhoods did so.

http://collections.richmond.edu/secession/

Please provide pointers to additional materials that may be helpful in understanding the structure and work of the center (journal articles, book chapters, web pages, reports, etc.): For the DSL, please see: http://dsl.richmond.edu/

For the Library, please see: http://library.richmond.edu/digital/index.html