Participant Profiles
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Name and URL associated with your digital scholarship center:
http://cdrs.lib.vt.edu

If you have a mission statement or some similar description of your center, please share it here:
Virginia Tech Libraries' Center for Digital Research and Scholarship strives to facilitate excellence in digital research. The center is built on three core themes: partnerships, technology, and services. We strive to partner with individual faculty, research labs, centers, and institutes to solve academic-based problems through applied research in information science, and we offer campus-wide curation, collaboration, and consulting services that support the lifecycle of digital data and scholarship at Virginia Tech.

What services does your center support?:
Consultation on digital technologies
Consultation on digital project management
Intellectual property consultation
Digital preservation/curation consultation
Workshops
Media production studio
Visualization studio
Makerspace

What type of staff is involved in the center?:
Information technology professionals
Multimedia professionals
Librarians
Information technologists
Faculty from academic departments
Graduate students

Please provide a URL or describe (in a few sentences) one digital project that has had support of the center:
We support the College of Engineering's Signature Engineering Building Living Laboratory project. In collaboration with the Smart Infrastructure Laboratory, our staff serve on the project team and provide expertise and services in digital curation and data management. Our current contributions include developing big-data streaming, character extraction, processing applications on a cloud-based hydra+fedora platform, and providing support for digital project management.
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.):
http://docs.lib.purdue.edu/iatul/2013/papers/12/ (1888 downloads) and http://hdl.handle.net/10919/19333