DSpace Structure Overview

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Resources

The DSpace Course

(Stuart Lewis & Chris Yates and the Repository Support Project http://www.rsp.ac.uk/)

http://cadair.aber.ac.uk/dspace/handle/2160/615

DSpace Hierarchy



The DSpace Community

- Each DSpace service is comprised of Communities – the highest level of the Dspace content hierarchy
- Communities may be:
 - Departments
 - Labs
 - Research Centres
 - Schools
- Each community contains descriptive metadata about itself and the collections contained within it

Community

The DSpace Collection

- Each community in turn have collections which contain items or files
- Collections can belong to a single community or multiple communities (collaboration between communities may result in a shared collection)
- As with communities, each collection contains descriptive metadata about itself and the items contained within it

Collection

Example Structures

• Structures may be based around organisational units:

Community	Collection	Items
Department	Research Group	Items
Department	Item Type	Items
Faculty	School	Items

• Structures are hierarchical:

Community	Sub Community	Collection	Item
Department	Sub Department	Research Group	

The Item

- "Item" refers to the item record, which contains the metadata and relevant files for a piece of content.
- Two major parts: Metadata and Bundles

Items

The Item

Army Sergeant Lester Martin WWII Era

Show full item record

Title: Army Sergeant Lester Martin WWII Era

Creator: Creator Unknown

Description: Photograph of an Lester Martin with two medals on his breast pocket;

Bookmark: http://hdl.handle.net/2374.KENY/3845

Date: 1945

Files in this item

Files	Size	Format	View
armysergantWWIIera.jpg	477.9Kb	image/jpeg	

Metadata

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Bundles

- Collections of files
- Typical bundles include
 - ORIGINAL bundle the raw files deposited into the repository
 - LICENSE bundle a copy of the license that was agreed to during submission
 - TEXT the extracted text (for indexing purposes) for each file in the ORIGINAL bundle.

Bundles

Bitstreams

The files contained in the bundles. For example...

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