

Deposit @ Harvard

August 2011 Update

We met to discuss more specifics about metadata requirements of repositories and input fields. A prototype is expected to be available in early September.

May 2011 Update

The team has met with Sebastian to review documentation of metadata requirements and contemplate mapping of data. An initial meeting was held with IQSS, which has also begun experimenting with implementing SWORD and plans to incorporate repository deposit into their Open Scholar system. A follow up meeting is being scheduled to discuss synergy between the projects. Final use case and user interface still being drafted. Most constituents would be more interested in incorporating the deposit functionality into their own systems than to use the web-based tool, so the tool should contemplate being interoperable with other systems.

April 2011 Update

The team has read a great deal of material on SWORD (and its implementation by other institutions) and has watched several videos of talks about the SWORD project. In March, it met with Harvard's Open Access Librarians (as a group), as well as other interested stakeholders and potential users of the tool to discuss their needs and requirements. The team followed up with getting use case scenarios from each of the relevant schools, including descriptions of the current workflows for processing their faculty's scholarship. The team has determined that DASH and SSRN are the most highly desired and widely applicable repositories to be covered, but it is still determining any additional target repositories pending additional discussion with developers. A recent change in project management leadership has led to a slight shift in the timeline for the project.