



Agenda

- UPeTD: theses and dissertations repository http://upetd.up.ac.za
- UPSpace: research repository https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/
- Plus extensive digitization infrastructure
- Strategies
- Conclusion



Definition

A university-based institutional repository is a set of services that a university offers to the members of its community for the management and dissemination of digital materials created by the institution and its community members. It is most essentially an organizational commitment to the stewardship of these digital materials, including long-term preservation where appropriate, as well as organization and access or distribution.

Clifford Lynch, 2003





UPeTD (1)



Started in 2000, compulsory submission since 2004

- Full text: 523 Ds, 1424 Ms (2997 items: some short records)
- Listed in OpenDOAR and ROAR, requested harvesting by Scopus
- Google, Google Scholar, Library Catalogue, Worldcat
- 250 000 files downloaded per month, no specific detail

<u>Technical issues</u>

- ETD-db software developed at Virginia Tech
- Daily automatic backup of the system at another location
- All ETDs and relevant documents stored on DVDs



UPeTD (2)

<u>Staff</u>

- Full-time UPeTD Manager
- Professional leadership by Open Access manager (30%)
- Support from IT (less than one hour/week)
- 2 part time staff: theses preparation and project work

Student support

- Web site: upetd.up.ac.za
- Brochures
- Training and manuals
- Individual help
- E-mail: upetd@up.ac.za





UPeTD (3)

Managing important interfaces

- DVC for Research and Postgraduate Studies
- Research Office of the University
- Supervisors
- Faculty Offices for Postgraduate Studies
- UP Dept IT Support
- UP Legal Office
- Other library staff
- Users from all over the world
- International etd community





UPSpace (1)

- Started in 2006
- 1772 items
- Listed in OpenDOAR and ROAR, registered in OAI Registry, Google, Google Scholar
- 93067 bitstream views (Dec05-Feb07); highest item download = 1051; average download = 69

Technical issues

- DSpace software developed by MIT
- Daily automatic backup of the system at another location



UPSpace (2)

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<u>Staff</u>

- Full-time UPSpace Manager: campus wide leadership
- Technical support from IT; library staff member to take over
- Part time: all information specialists and 12 metadata specialists; different experts

Support to researchers and other academic staff

- Web site: http://www.dspace.up.ac.za/
- Brochures; listserv; wiki
- Marketing to faculties/departments/individuals
- Training: group and individual
- E-mail: upspace@up.ac.za

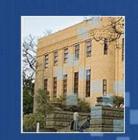


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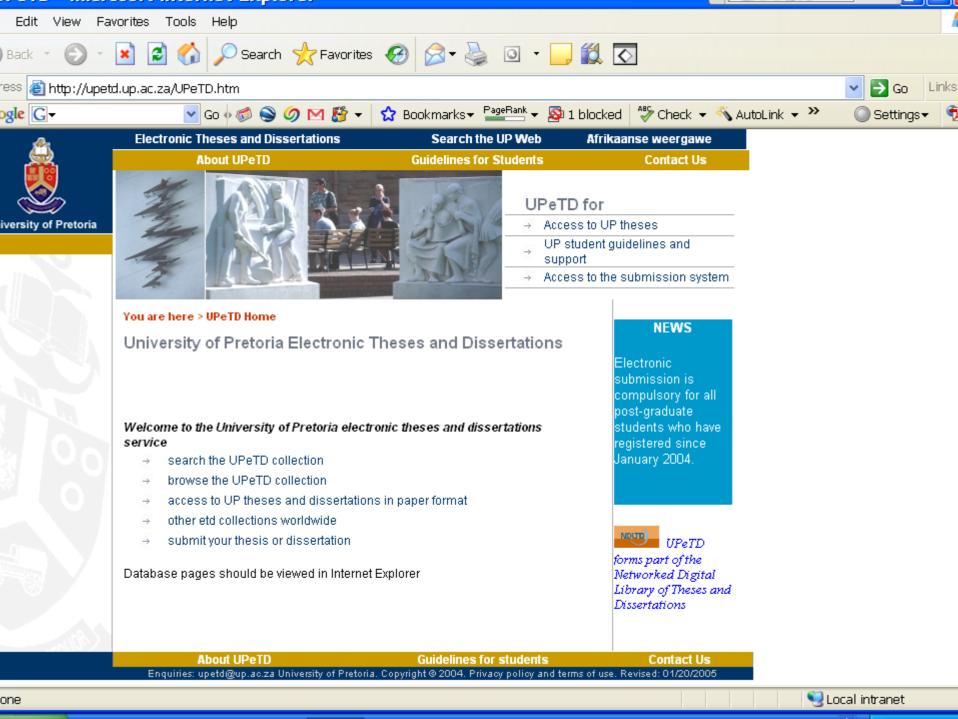


Different strategies (1)

- Knowledge stewardship
- Open Scholarship
 - UPeTD
 - openUP
- Profiling prominent researchers
 - Jonathan Jansen Collection
 - A-rated researchers







Different strategies (2)

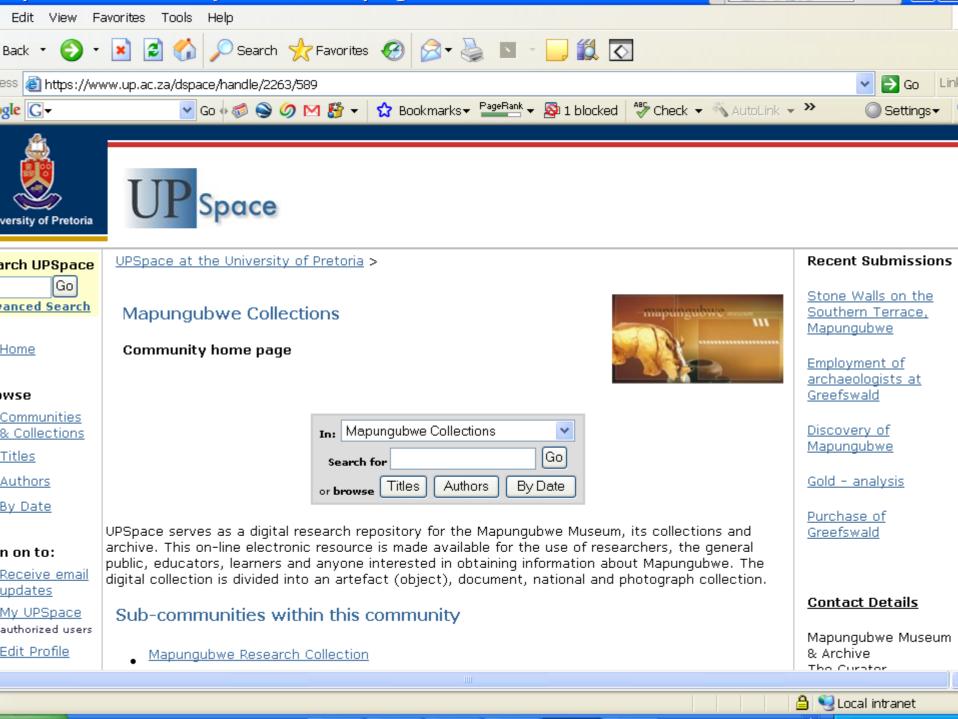
- Preservation and digitization strategy
 - Arnold Theiler Collection https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/80
 - Mapungubwe Collections https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/589
 - Sir Herbert Baker Collection

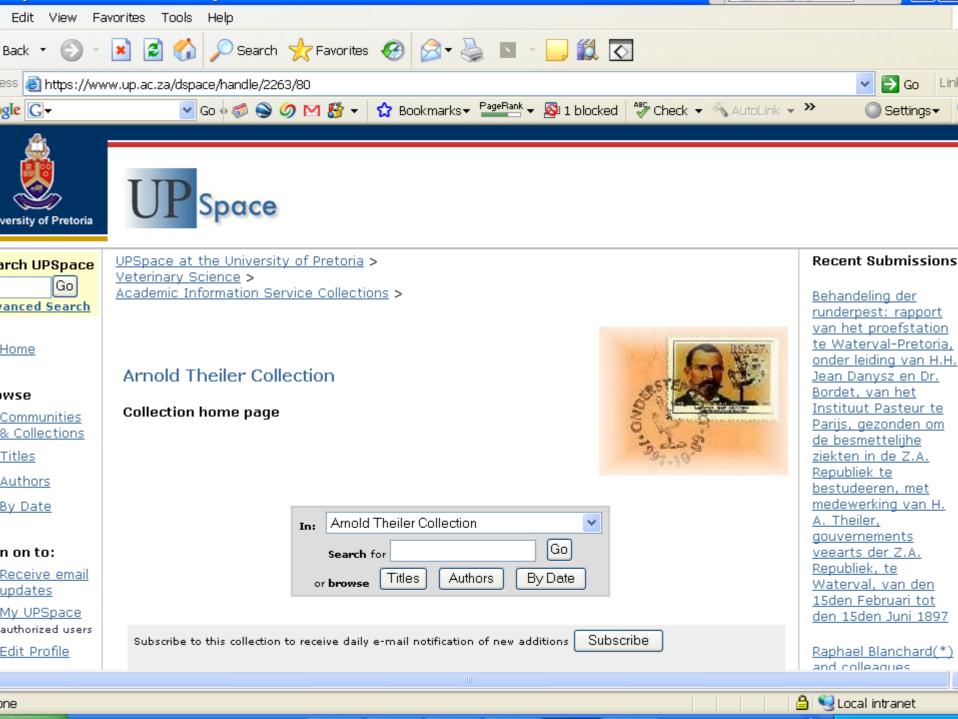
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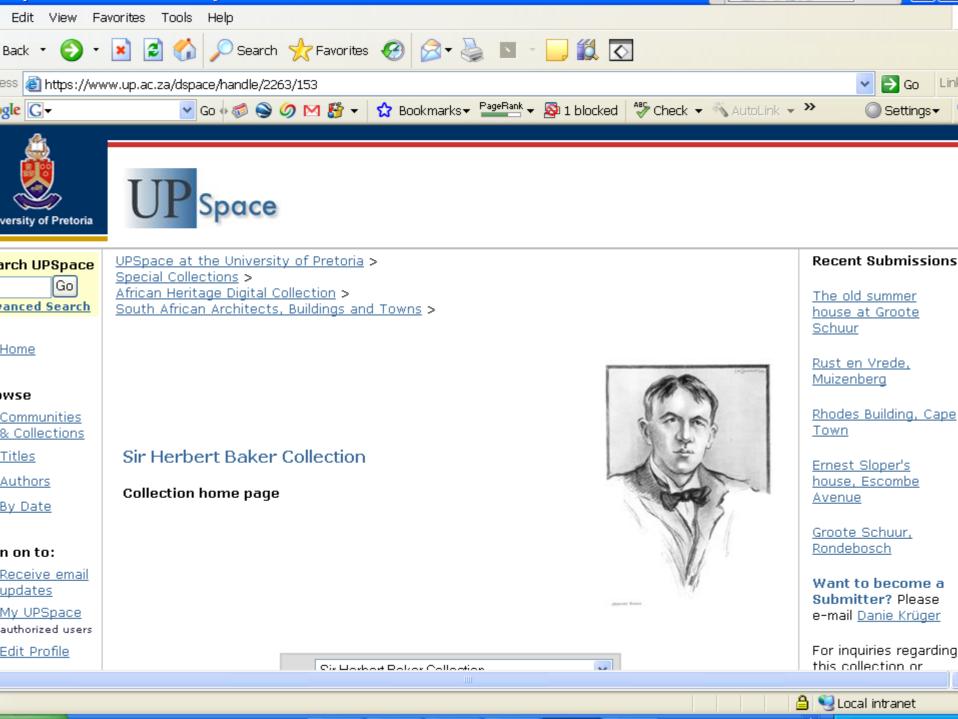
supported by good digitization infrastructure

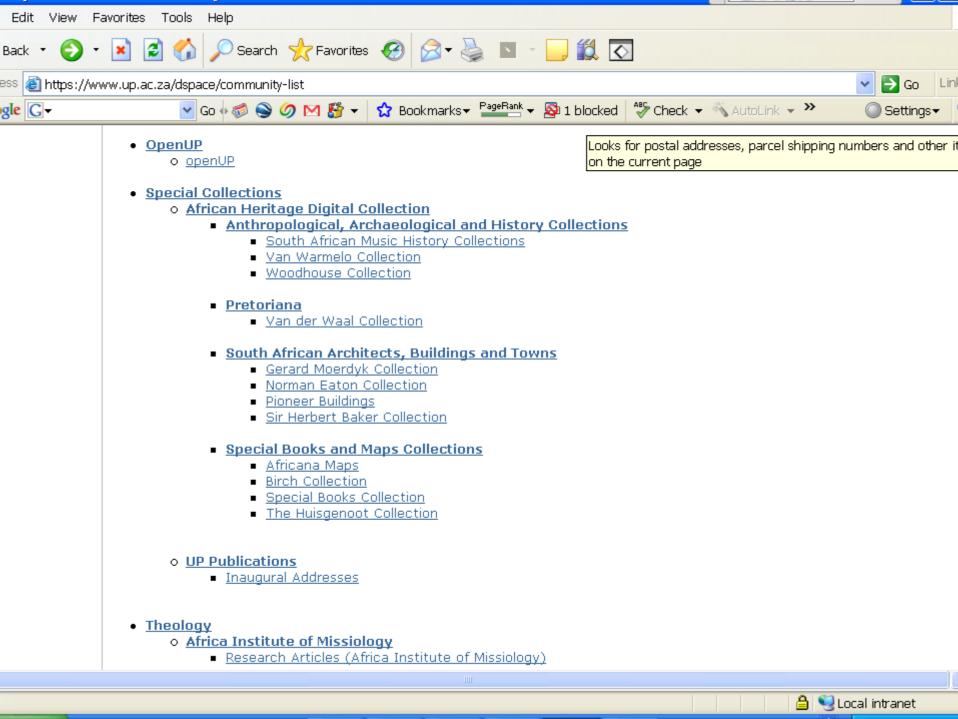
Digibook 10000RGB + Microfiche/microfilm and slide scanners











Different strategies (3)

- Opportunity strategy
 - Christine Seegers Biomedical Illustrations https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/1971
 - South African Music History Collections

https://www.up.ac.za/dspace/handle/2263/2771



Our strengths

- High level support mandates for both IR and open scholarship in UP strategic plan
- Embedded in AIS strategic plan 2070-2010
- Broad awareness and participation within library and university
- Growing expertise: digitization, metadata, rights management, workflow management
- Communities of practice and interest, synergy
- "Total solution"
- Scope for creativity







