



Student Research Archives and Omeka

**Digital Humanities Faculty Workshop Series
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Agenda

- **Omeka: Overview**
- **Omeka vs. WordPress**
- **Omeka: Interface**
- **Group Activity**
- **Questions**





Omeka: Overview

- **Content management system**
- **Archives of primary cultural research**
- **Open-source**
 - **.org versus .net**
- **Accounts free for one archive (<500MB)**

WordPress

- More control
- Any type of website
- Keywords/tags tied to blog format

Omeka

- More firmly-established structure
- Research archive
- Tags *and* library-style interface with metadata



Omeka Interface

- **Four roles: Super, Admin, Researcher, Contributor**
- **Item: individual archival material (videos, sound, object, person, etc.)**
- **Collection: group of items**
- **Exhibit: guided showcase for collections or items**



Activity

- **Check your email for invitation.**
- **Click “Start your free Omeka trial.”**
- **Create account.**
- **Add file related to IWU to our site as “Item” and fill in metadata.**
- **We will quickly create an exhibit.**

Final Considerations

- Familiarize yourself with tool before implementation.
- If using for current semester or May term, I can serve as your Super.
- Invite librarian to class to discuss metadata.

FINAL WORKSHOP: Showcase of 2017-18 Digital Assignments and Projects (4/19, 4 pm, Ames 129)