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SCHOLARLY COMMONS CONTINUED TO GROW IN 2014-2015, not only in content added and downloads, but in maturity of the process. At the beginning of the second year, many of the early challenges resolved as teams that oversee the administration and new development began to understand the system and each other’s strengths.

Members of the university community also developed a better understanding of Scholarly Commons and its value to many aspects of the research and academic mission. In particular, various departments turned to Scholarly Commons to host conferences and events. Also, members of the Oversight Team met with representatives of Sponsored Research, Marketing and Communications and academic administration to lay the groundwork for collaborations, such as funneling into Scholarly Commons new content from a faculty profile database expected to go live in late 2015.

Scholarly Commons proceeded to build, achieving above average growth, in comparison to other Digital Commons repositories, with the largest number of contributions coming from conferences, archives and faculty submissions. Additionally, Embry-Riddle repeatedly ranked among the most popular institutions within the Digital Commons research community in three broad research disciplines: Engineering, Business, and Social and Behavioral Sciences.
SECOND-YEAR MILESTONES

**JULY 2014**

In collaboration with University IT, a single sign-on to Scholarly Commons was established, enabling faculty, students, and staff to submit items to the repository more efficiently and easily.

Registration for the Florida Undergraduate Research Conference 2015 opened.  
http://commons.erau.edu/furc/

Bepress, the Scholarly Commons vendor, began highlighting ERAU’s Charles P. Russell Scrapbook collection in its Digital Commons demonstration and training webinars.  
http://commons.erau.edu/charles-russell-books/1/

**AUGUST 2014**

Individual articles, authored by ERAU faculty, ranked among the highest accessed among business articles and education articles in the entire Digital Commons system.

A 3D printable cookie cutter designed by Chip Wolfe depicting the Open Access logo went viral in the Digital Commons community. Many libraries printed his design to make cookies for Open Access Week events.  
http://cupola.gettysburg.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1006&context=oaweek

ERAU theses were loaded into Scholarly Commons and became accessible with ERNIE credentials.

Chip Wolfe and Anne Marie Casey volunteered to participate on the planning committee for the first institutional repository user group meeting in the Southeast region.
McNair Scholars Research Journal went live as the fourth ERAU journal hosted by Scholarly Commons and the third to be born digital. http://commons.erau.edu/mcnair/

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OCTOBER 2014

Bepress invited ERAU to submit our first annual report to the system collaborative site as a model document.


Began migration of International Bulletin of Political Psychology to Scholarly Commons. http://commons.erau.edu/ibpp/

DECEMBER 2014

Created the Girl Scout Cookie University workshop in Scholarly Commons, Events. http://commons.erau.edu/cookie-u/
**JANUARY 2015**

Human Factors and Applied Psychology Student Conference site went live.  
http://commons.erau.edu/hfap/

**FEBRUARY 2015**

A real-time readership map went live. This allows us to track where people throughout the world are accessing ERAU content.  
**Site-level Readership Map is on the Scholarly Commons landing page.**

The Women in Aviation Day event, which annually hosts hundreds of young women from Volusia and Flagler counties, was administered through Scholarly Commons for the first time this year.

Color-coded upload form was created. The first step in making the upload procedure user-friendly.

**MARCH 2015**

Developed a registration form for the institutional repository Southeast Users Group Meeting.

**APRIL 2015**

Hosted the second annual LEP Leadership Conference, The ‘L’ Factor: Redefining Leadership. Captured many of the presentations on video and published as streaming media.

Collaborated with the Ph.D. in Aviation program to begin publishing dissertations in Scholarly Commons.  
http://commons.erau.edu/aviation-dissertation/

Prescott Campus began to add faculty content.

**MAY 2015**

Laid the groundwork for the Crew Resource Management conference for Dr. Howell’s MSA-516 class. This is a particularly interesting conference because it is in collaboration with JAAER. The “best in class” paper/presentation will be featured in a special CRM issue of the JAAER in 2016.

Initiated a process to publish the next live Space Congress® within Scholarly Commons and hosted by the Canaveral Council of Technical Societies, thus aligning industry leaders in a collaboration with common goals in the aerospace field.
The first annual Digital Commons Southeastern User Group was a huge success. This one-day conference was held on the campus of Winthrop University in Rock Hill, SC. Both Chip Wolfe and Anne Marie Casey were on the planning committee and assisted with registration and program selection. Embry-Riddle was represented by Anne Marie Casey, Suzanne Sprague and Chip Wolfe. Anne Marie delivered a presentation on the success of Scholarly Commons at ERAU.

http://digitalcommons.winthrop.edu/dcseug/

The Honors Program on the Prescott Campus began to add exemplary student research papers.

http://commons.erau.edu/pr-honors/

Set up an application process for the 2015-2016 LeadER program (the successor to LEP).

UNIVERSITY-WIDE NUMBERS

Items added to Scholarly Commons this year (Jul2014-Jun2015): 2,208
Total number of items in Scholarly Commons (EOY FY’15): 5,839
Total number of Full-Text Downloads (FY’15): 160,569
Total number of Full-Text Downloads (all-time, Jan2013-Jun2015): 259,112

Number of Active Conferences/Events: 12

Conferences: 10
Events: 2

Active Journals:
Beyond
International Journal of Aviation, Aeronautics, and Aerospace (IJAAA)
Journal of Aviation/Aerospace Education & Research (JAAER)
McNair Scholars Research Journal
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