OSSArcFlow Guide to OAIS Mapping Exercise

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Description

This exercise asks students to walk through the steps outlined in the OSSArcFlow Guide to Documenting Born-Digital Archival Workflows. The guide assists collecting institutions to begin documenting their born-digital workflows and map them to functional entities in the Reference Model for an Open Archival Information System (OAIS). The discussion questions encourage students to think about the differences between an OAIS model and an OSSArcFlow model in terms of their functions and audiences.

Learning object type

Lesson plan/materials

Learning objectives

This learning object might be used in a lesson to satisfy the following learning objectives:

- Design a born-digital archiving workflow.
Exercise

1. Read p. 10-29 in the OSSArcFlow Guide to Documenting Born-Digital Archival Workflows
2. Using the Detailed Description of Functional Entities in the OAIS Reference Model (section 4.1.1), map each of the steps in the OSSArcFlow Guide to the OAIS functional entities.

Discussion questions

1. Which parts of the OAIS Reference Model are represented in the OSSArcFlow Guide? Which parts are not represented?
2. Were there any steps in the OSSArcFlow Guide that could not be mapped to OAIS functional entities?
3. Who is the audience for the OAIS Reference Model? Who is the audience for the OSSArcFlow Guide?
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