



SUNY Potsdam CSOLT Digital Library Project

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Goal

- Provide a central access point for support materials (journal articles, book chapters, etc.) for Graduate Organizational Leadership and Technology courses at SUNY Potsdam
- Not meant to create a “Textbook Free” department, but to supplement.

Goal

- Desire for a central location of articles/
digital book chapters for the department
 - Avoids need for searches through large
databases
 - Allows easier access to articles for Professors
and Students

Current Method of Article Sharing

- Professor photocopies/posts to BlackBoard/e-mails articles to students
- Professor burns articles to CD, has students sign CD In/Out
- Students find articles on their own via Library Database

Similarities to other Systems

- Inter-Library Loan System
- Library On-Reserve System
 - Professors place articles on “Hold” and can be signed out by students for a set amount of time
 - (What do students do when they sign out a hold?)
 - Sent via e-mail, USB drive, CD, or a combination

Structural Overview

- The free and open-source program “Calibre” is used to manage the articles
 - Organizational scheme
 - Change file extensions to .PDF
- Files organized by Class

Copyright Issues

- Digital-Rights Management Solutions
- Copyright Law Section 107: Fair Use
- Author Permission

Copyright: DRM Methods

- Password Protection for PDF files
- PDF Expiration Dates

Copyright: Section 107 (Fair Use)

- The Fair Use of a copyrighted work...for the purposes such as criticism, comment, news reporting, teaching (including multiple copies for classroom use), scholarship, or research, is not an infringement of copyright. (US Copyright Code, Section 107).

Copyright: Fair Use

- Agreement on Guidelines for Classroom Copying in Not-For-Profit Educational Institutions with respect to books and periodicals (1976)
- Retrieved from <http://www.copyright.gov/circs/circ21.pdf>

Hathi Trust Lawsuit

- In Sept. 2011, the Associated Press reported on Authors Groups and authors suing Hathi Trust for reproduction of approx. 7 million copyrighted materials.
- Issue: 'Orphaned' Texts
- Universities planned to allow unlimited downloads of these texts

Method of Collection

- Based on Items Professors would use in their classrooms/Online Learning Environments
- Collection of articles and information:
 - Google Scholar available articles (Public Domain, General Access)
 - Professor Access to Journal Databases
 - Databases subscribed to by the University
 - Permission given by authors/publishers