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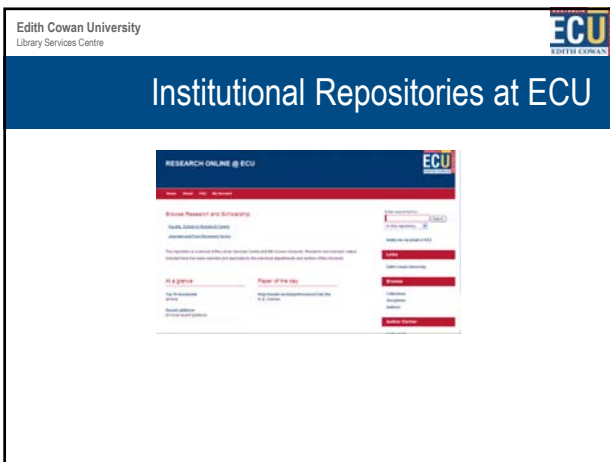
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### Selection of Digital Commons

- Why DC?
  - Quick Setup
  - Low IT support required
  - Simple administration
  - Fully developed features
  - Ongoing development / enhancements
- Down side : Annual subscription

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### Current Scope

- Digital Commons established mid 2007
- Not released for general use
- Primarily used to meet reporting requirements (ERA).
- Desire to develop policy before launch...

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### Policy

- We made mistakes!
- Open Access Policy established at ECU September 2009 (18 month process!)
  - Sticking Points:
    - » Mandatory submission
    - » Copyright
    - » Quality Control
- Repository Launch scheduled early 2010

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### Lessons Learned

- Policy should not drive deposit
- Support for the concept
- Concern about process
- Outside forces will drive open access
  - Code for the responsible conduct of research
  - Government requirements
  - Funding bodies mandating open access to results

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### Challenges for Library

- Staffing
  - Increased demand for research support
  - Copyright clearances (expectation on Library)
- Education
  - Understanding open access issues
- Data management
  - Development of data plan around the repository and integration with services such as ANDS and iVEC

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### The Future for ECU

- Official launch
- Online journal publication within DC
- Conference management and publication within DC
- Integration of theses
- Automation from research management system

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## DC Examples

- Embedded Video :  
<http://ecommons.txstate.edu/arp/285/>
- Embedded PDF:  
[http://digitalcommons.bryant.edu/babcock\\_war/1/#](http://digitalcommons.bryant.edu/babcock_war/1/#)
- Conference:  
<http://commons.pacificu.edu/sustainableschol/>
- Selected Works:  
<http://works.bepress.com/aashbolt/>

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