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## National Digital Stewardship Residency Symposium: Emerging Trends in Digital Stewardship

On April 8, 2014, the inaugural cohort of the **National Digital Stewardship Residency** program will present a symposium entitled "Emerging Trends in Digital Stewardship" at the National Library of Medicine. The symposium will consist of panel presentations by digital practitioners from across the DC region on preserving social media and collaborative workspaces, open government and open data, and digital strategies for public and non-profit institutions. It will also feature a demonstration of BitCurator, an environment of digital forensics tools designed to help collecting institutions manage born-digital materials, developed by the School of Information and Library Science at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (SILS) and the Maryland Institute for Technology in the Humanities (MITH).

The National Digital Stewardship Residency is an initiative of the Library of Congress and Institute of Museum and Library Services. It "provide(s) a robust, hands-on learning experience to complement graduate-level training and education." The inaugural cohort began their residency in Washington, D.C. area libraries, museums, and cultural institutions in September 2013. Ten residents are embedded in institutions around the area, each completing a project related to an aspect of digital preservation and stewardship. The NDSR program aims to "serve the American people by developing the next generation of stewards to collect, manage, preserve, and make accessible our digital assets."

All sessions will be held in the National Library of Medicine's Lister Hill Auditorium, on the campus of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. **The symposium is free and open to the public.** <u>Pre-registration is REQUIRED</u>. For online registration, please go to: <a href="http://bit.ly/1fQeTtp">http://bit.ly/1fQeTtp</a>

## Program, Tuesday, April 8, 2014:

| 9:00-9:30  | Registration   |
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| 9:30-9:45  | Opening Remarks, George Coulbourne, Library of Congress                                      |
| 9:45-10:45 | BitCurator Demonstration, Cal Lee, UNC-Chapel Hill School of Information and Library Science |
| 11:00-noon | Panel discussion on Social Media, Archiving, and Preserving Collaborative Projects           |
| 1:15-2:15  | Panel discussion on Open Government and Open Data  |
| 2:45-3:45  | Panel discussion on Digital Strategies for Public and Non-Profit Institutions                |

For other information about the symposium, please contact Maureen Harlow at maureen.harlow@nih.gov.