

NextGen Libraries at OSU

Discussions on the future and change

About

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Following the open comments period we plan to summarize our posts and your feedback in a single blog "page" on each e-scan topic and perhaps in some other format for distribution to other audiences.

So please subscribe to this blog and comment on these posts. Provide insights and comment on the blog postings.

NextGen Libraries at OSU <http://wpmu.library.oregonstate.edu/nextgenlibraries/>

We welcome your comments and feedback.

General posts (most recent first):

[Final Entry](#)

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We have agreed to close this blog now that our E-scan pilot is complete. We will archive the NextGen Libraries at OSU blog entries in the ScholarsArchive@OSU by September 1, 2010. They will be archived in topic order as they appeared:

- Future of the Journal
- Internet of Things
- Social Media R/Evolution

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