Guides and FAQs

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- End User FAQ Attempts to address the most commonly asked questions regarding DSpace (from a user perspective)
- TechnicalFAQ Attempts to address the most commonly asked technical or installation questions regarding DSpace
- Additional resources for common questions:
 - Searching the Mailing Lists archives
 - Searching the dspace tag on StackOverflow. Also see our Guide to Posting Technical Questions to StackOverflow

Repository Planning

- The following documents are useful in planning a repository. All are written by Mary R.Barton et al copyright 2004-2005 (RM).
 - LEADIRS Creating an Institutional Repository
 - Creating a Service Model
 - Project Planning Matrix
- SUNScholar/Practical Guidelines for Starting an Institutional Repository. Produced by Stellenbosch University Library, this guide provides step-bystep information to help academic institutions in developing countries start an institutional repository.
- Lessons learned building an Institutional Repository with DSpace

Installing DSpace

- Start with the DSpace Documentation.
- Platform and distribution-specific tips and guides can be found on the DSpace Installation Guides page.
- en español: Instalación de Dspace: Deploy de un repositorio básico con Dspace 3.0
- DSpace Oracle to PostgreSQL migration A general guide to migrating from Oracle to PostgreSQL

Customizing DSpace

- Past Training Materials & Workshops:
 - DSpace Training Archives This is our primary archive of past workshop/webinar materials.
 - ^o DuraSpace webinar archive, DuraSpace Slideshare additional workshops/webinars hosted by DSpace
 - DSpace YouTube Some DSpace related videos (and past meetings/summaries)
- General Tips:
 - How-To Guides has a list of all wiki pages which provide "how-to" hints for changing/customizing your DSpace install.
 Build Cookbook has examples of adding your local changes to a DSpace distribution.
- Additional training in spanish: Curso de capacitación en repositorios y DSpace by SeDiCi, Universidad de la Plata, Argentina

Developing with DSpace

- An overall reference for developing code with DSpace (and creating patches) is available on the Developer Guidelines and Tools page.
- Code Contribution Guidelines How to get your code accepted into DSpace.

Documentation for New DSpace Administrators

- Intro to DSpace (August 19, 2009) written by Cameron Kainerstorfer and Heather Perkins (both of University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center)
- The DSpace Course (August 2008) written by Stuart Lewis and Chris Yates, funded by JISC and Repositories Support Project and was funded by JISC
- Instructions for New Admin This is a simple guide to print off for people who will start uploading documents to your instance of DSpace, by Shawna Sadler.