Meeting our community where they are, and where they want to go

ArchivesSpace’s community continues to grow and mature, and our array of programming is designed to meet many different needs.

Training was a major focus of the year. We piloted a community-wide virtual training program that included both traditional instruction sessions and less formal office hour sessions. The lessons learned from the pilot helped us develop a model for ongoing training which will launch in 2022-2023. We also created a new model for sharing instruction – community learning opportunities that combine characteristics of webinars and workshops and enable us to reach more people at once.

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<th>Member Institution Staff Members</th>
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attended one or more ArchivesSpace event

We continue to put emphasis on our inclusion and anti-racism initiatives. We welcomed our first cohort of the ArchivesSpace Diversity Partnership, holding trainings for all five institutions and facilitating connections between them and the larger ArchivesSpace community. We undertook an inclusive examples project to update the example data and samples used in our shared databases and workshops. We offered a community learning opportunity on reparative description where a diverse set of community members shared advice and suggestions about the different ways they were working to improve the language in their finding aids and other descriptive tools, both retrospectively and prospectively.

To better support archival educators and students, we made improvements to our Educational Program Membership program. As adoption of the ArchivesSpace application continues to grow exponentially, we believe these kinds of investments in education will strengthen our community and the archives community overall.
Membership is the Key

ArchivesSpace Membership Growth Over Time

Distribution of FY2021-2022 Members by Membership Level

Plus 21 Educational Program Members and 3 Registered Service Providers
Continuing to advance the application

The ArchivesSpace application continued to grow and mature. We put out four new releases, which included accessibility improvements that were identified by an accessibility audit and new features such as custom reports. We were appreciative of community contributions, including a reworking of the Archival Resource Key (ARK) functionality by Hudson Molonglo that was funded by the Smithsonian Institution.

Technical upgrades continue to be a focus. To move to a supported version of our search platform Solr, we made a necessary but significant deployment change by removing embedded Solr from the application package. We focused some technical community education efforts toward system administrators and developers needing to learn to deploy ArchivesSpace with external Solr. We also began work with an outside contractor to make further upgrades to the underlying infrastructure of the application, work which will continue in 2022-2023.

**Code Changes**

877
changed files with 52,721 additions and 62,570 deletions

**Downloads**

3,412
downloads of all releases

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Blake Carver  
Brian Hoffman  
Brian Zelip  
Christine Di Bella  
Corey Schmidt  
Dave Mayo  
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James Bullen  
Jason Jordan  
Jessica Crouch  
Joshua Shaw  
Laney McGlohon  
Lora Woodford

Manny Rodriguez  
Mark Cooper  
Mark Triggs  
Michael Glanznig  
Nick Butler  
Payten Giles  
Sam Hatfield  
Saron Tran
Leadership from across the community

The ArchivesSpace governance model is built on the principles of maintaining a high level of community engagement and fostering an active and responsive development community. It is designed to provide opportunities for all levels of membership to participate. Our three governance groups provide essential community engagement, with members who commit to volunteering their time and expertise toward developing the ArchivesSpace community and software. Our governance groups in FY2021-22 included 40 community members from 35 institutions representing all 5 membership levels, plus registered service providers, non-member organizations, and the organizational home.

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• Natalie Adams, Cambridge University Library
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• Robert Miller, LYRASIS
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• Saron Tran, University of Kansas
## Staying strong and sustainable

The funds provided through the generous support of ArchivesSpace members enable us not only to maintain the application and support the needs of the community today, but also continue to invest in the future.

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*The program staff provide extensive support for these areas; the listed amount is for expenditures in these areas beyond program staff salaries and benefits.

It is such a privilege to serve the ArchivesSpace community as the new Governance Board Chair. This community continues to inspire me with its commitment, creativity, generosity, and ingenuity. Over the past several years, we’ve worked to foster a more inclusive environment for members in all categories, and I’m looking forward to continuing that important work. As a daily ArchivesSpace user myself, I owe this community so much gratitude for the incredible contributions of time, funds, and labor of its many members and our partners at LYRASIS.

Thank you all for your continued support and engagement with ArchivesSpace. I’m excited to see how we continue to grow together.

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**Annie Benefiel**  
Grand Valley State University  
ArchivesSpace Governance Board Chair

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