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### Abstract

Three different Pennsylvania liberal arts colleges, Lafayette, Gettysburg, and Bucknell, have adopted library-led summer internship models as part of the effort to teach students about research using digital methods. Panelists from these colleges discuss perspectives on designing, leading, and adapting such programs, and on collaborating within and between institutions.

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# Successes and Challenges in Growing and Sustaining an Undergraduate Digital Scholarship Program

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**#dssf17 ≠ #dssf16 +1**

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# Looking Back (#budsc16 + #dssf16)



**Beth Seltzer** @beth\_seltzer · 29 Oct 2016

Drawing from library, ed tech, faculty, local, to teach digital workshops at **Gettysburg**. #budsc16 #s2c



**Carrie Pirmann** @librariancarrie · 29 Oct 2016

.@gettysburg #dssf16 students are incredible! proud to hear your presentations today as a @gettysburg alum #budsc16 #s2c #gettysburggreat



**Param Bedi** @parambedi · 29 Oct 2016

The @gettysburg student projects are exemplar of how Digital Scholarship should be done with students #BUDSC16 #s2c @iconodule



**Brooke Bergantzel** @librarybrooke · 29 Oct 2016

Most valuable element for the summer programs for students was resoundingly the collaborative cohort. #s2c #budsc16



**jacob heil** @dr\_heil · 29 Oct 2016

Gotta say that the apparent absence of DH hierarchy from student fellows' perspective is a credit to #dssf16 program #s2c #BUDSC16



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# After #budsc16 ...

## What We Did Here: Activism at Gettysburg College

A screenshot of a digital repository website. The background is a dark, semi-transparent image of a student protest with people holding signs. The website's navigation bar is visible at the top, including links for 'Home', 'Browse', 'Contribute', 'Projects', 'About', and 'Musselman Library'. There are also search bars labeled 'Search the collection' and 'Search'.

Supporting classroom activity in History, Spanish,  
Biology, First Year Seminars

What We Did Here: Activism at Gettysburg College  
digital repository

What We Did Here: Activism at Gettysburg College is a crowd-sourced digital collection, created in partnership with Musselman Library and Special Collections and College Archives, devoted to documenting the discourse that has occurred on campus surrounding issues of race, gender, sexuality, political affiliation, religion, and class. Students, faculty, and staff have the opportunity to submit written testimonies or various media that are representative of campus' response to these topics. Examples of media submissions are club posters, or pictures, videos, and audio of events or campus responses. This documentation is not limited in its scope: all submissions from all identities and viewpoints will be handled with equal gravitas.

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# Planning for #dssf17!

Hiring the #dssf16 cohort as senior fellows

Developing the curriculum

Finding housing

Hiring and recruiting the right cohort for #dssf17

Cross-campus engagement with summer programs

# #dssf17 Begins



#dssf17 VALUES (2.0)

- OPENNESS
- COMMUNITY
  - collaboration
  - connectedness
  - collegiality
- engaged diversity - accessibility
- experimentation cycle -
  - experimentation
  - failure
  - adaptability
- dedication
- have fun 😊

# #dssf17 - It's Super Effective!

First round of digital literacy assignment grants

Travelling and presenting (PaLA, PCLA, Keystone DH)

Collaborating cross-institutionally

New projects

Building community with other campus student researchers



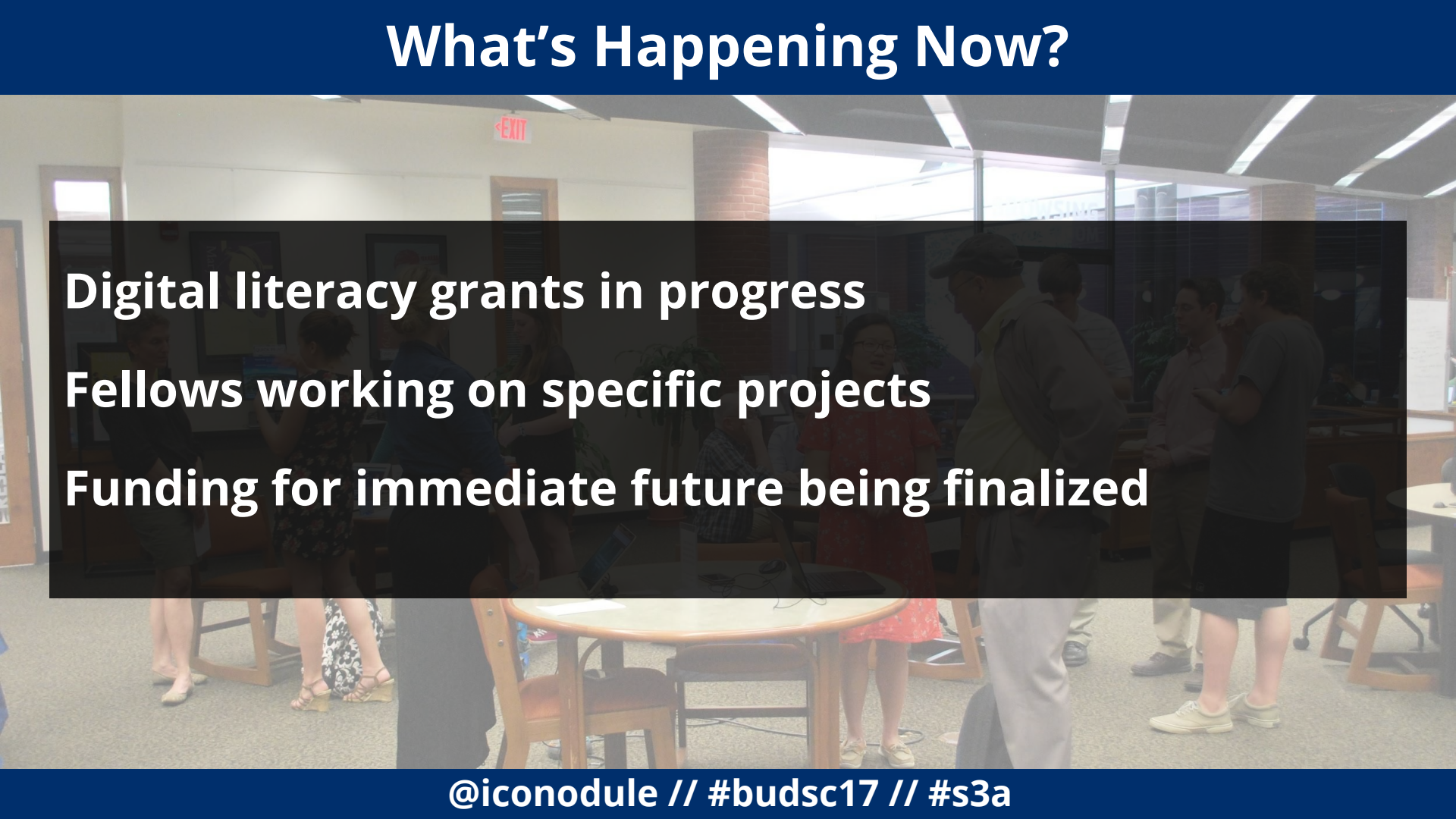
# #dssf17 - Learning Opportunities

**More students = more oversight**

**Developing a cohesive community of practice**

**Time and workload management**

# What's Happening Now?



**Digital literacy grants in progress**  
**Fellows working on specific projects**  
**Funding for immediate future being finalized**

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# Looking Forward (#dssf18 + Beyond)

**Defining digital scholarship (humanities?)**

**Is the goal process, product, a mix?**

**Diversity in recruiting and hiring**

**Defining roles for fellows and library staff**

**Challenges of logistics during the summer**

**What does DS/DH look like at Gettysburg?**

# Thank You!

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