Data Archive Task Force

- Convened mid-fall 2013 as a subcommittee of the Research and Creative Activities Committee
- Charge:
 - Consider University policies toward the archiving of research data, including both accessibility and infrastructure
 - Originated as a request from OKED, in part in response to upcoming changes in federal policy to require open access to data from funded research

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Primary Recommendations

- Creation of a year-long working group to:
 - Further develop policy, in coordination with development of academic unit policies
 - Explore and make recommendations about centralized infrastructure requirements
- Charge every academic unit to:
 - Identify and/or develop data archiving and accessibility standards for their unit/disciplines
 - Coordinate with the working group in development of the general university policies
 - Coordinate with the working group on infrastructure requirements

Draft Policy on Archiving and Access

- The written policy is a <u>suggested starting point</u> for discussion over the next year, not a final policy to be adopted at this time
- General Principle:
 - All digitally stored data should be archived
 - Archiving would best be accomplished through a centralized infrastructure
 - Most digital data should be made publicly accessible
 - The timing on when data should become public and the exceptions to public access are among the major challenges for the working group and units over the next year