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Citizen Web Archiving: Empowering Undergraduates to Preserve the Internet

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What is Web Archiving?

The process of collecting, preserving, and providing enduring access to web content

Student Learning Outcomes

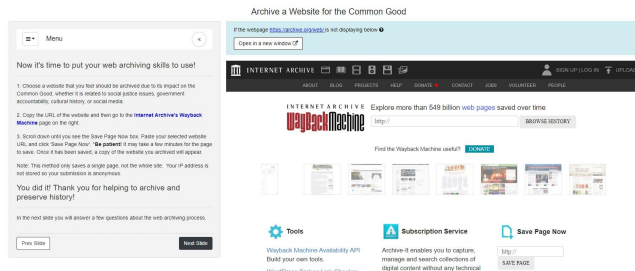
- Learn that taking pride in one's community also means actively working to preserve history on the Internet
- Act as citizen archivists by selecting a webpage that supports the [common good](#) to archive using the [Internet Archive's Wayback Machine](#)

"Each person is interested in different things, and so the websites archived by institutions will be different from the websites archived by the general public."

Tutorial

- Co-curricular learning opportunity
- Used [LibWizard](#) to create self-guided, asynchronous [tutorial](#)
- Incorporated videos, readings, and formative assessment to explain efforts to preserve websites
- Students chose a website to archive using the [Internet Archive's "Save Page Now"](#) feature
- Students learned about the Internet's impermanence and gained knowledge to pursue their own citizen web archiving

Citizen Web Archiving: Preserving Websites for the Common Good



Assessment

1344 Submissions
Average Score: 92.03
Median Score: 100
Standard Deviation: 13.56

Types of Websites Archived:

- News Events
- Pop Culture / Nostalgic Games
- Racial Equality
- Climate Change / Sustainability
- Local / University of Dayton
- Religious and Catholic

"I liked archiving the website because it made me feel like I was doing something permanent which was fun."