

Archival Description using EAD and Microsoft Access

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Abstract: The poster will describe the conversion of a paper-based accessioning system to an electronic one using an Access database. Topics will also include exporting data into XML for repurposing. The poster will further present ideas for expanding the database to capture information about research use, EAD finding aids, and EAC (Encoded Archival Context).

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