

Metadata field reference

The following fields are registered for use in DSpace. If you need another field, you can [create it](#) - just send the new information to Julie so she can add it here.

Field	Scope Note
dc.contributor.advisor	Use primarily for thesis/dissertation advisor/major professor(s).
dc.contributor.author	
dc.contributor.committee	Use primarily for thesis/dissertation committee members.
dc.contributor.editor	
dc.contributor.illustrator	
dc.contributor.issuingbody	Body issuing the item. Always includes "Mississippi State University".
dc.contributor.other	
dc.contributor	A person, organization, or service responsible for the content of the resource. Catch-all for unspecified contributors.
dc.coverage.spatial	Spatial characteristics of content.
dc.coverage.temporal	Temporal characteristics of content.
dc.creator	Do not use; only for harvested metadata.
dc.date.accessioned	Date DSpace takes possession of item.
dc.date.authorbirth	Date of birth for the author. Used primarily for theses and dissertations.
dc.date.available	Date or date range item became available to the public.
dc.date.copyright	Date of copyright.
dc.date.created	Date of creation or manufacture of intellectual content if different from date.issued.
dc.date.defense	Use primarily for thesis/dissertation defense date.
dc.date.issued	Date of publication or distribution.
dc.date.submitted	Recommend for theses/dissertations.
dc.date.updated	The last time the item was updated via the SWORD interface
dc.date	Use qualified form if possible.
dc.description.abstract	Abstract or summary.
dc.description.provenance	The history of custody of the item since its creation, including any changes successive custodians made to it.
dc.description.sponsorship	Information about sponsoring agencies, individuals, or contractual arrangements for the item.
dc.description.statementsofresponsibility	To preserve statement of responsibility from MARC records.
dc.description.tableofcontents	A table of contents for a given item.
dc.description.uri	Uniform Resource Identifier pointing to description of this item.
dc.description.version	The Peer Reviewed status of an item
dc.description	Catch-all for any description not defined by qualifiers.
dc.format.extent	Size or duration.
dc.format.medium	Physical medium.
dc.format.mimetype	Registered MIME type identifiers.

dc.format	Catch-all for any format information not defined by qualifiers.
dc.identifier.citation	Human-readable, standard bibliographic citation of non-DSpace format of this item
dc.identifier.doi	DOI (Digital Object Identifier).
dc.identifier.govdoc	A government document number
dc.identifier.isbn	International Standard Book Number
dc.identifier.ismn	International Standard Music Number
dc.identifier.issn	International Standard Serial Number
dc.identifier.other	A known identifier type common to a local collection.
dc.identifier.sici	Serial Item and Contribution Identifier
dc.identifier.slug	a uri supplied via the sword slug header, as a suggested uri for the item
dc.identifier.uri	Uniform Resource Identifier
dc.identifier	Catch-all for unambiguous identifiers not defined by qualified form; use identifier.other for a known identifier common to a local collection instead of unqualified form.
dc.language.iso	Current ISO standard for language of intellectual content, including country codes (e.g. "en_US").
dc.language.rfc3066	the rfc3066 form of the language for the item
dc.language	Catch-all for non-ISO forms of the language of the item, accommodating harvested values.
dc.provenance	
dc.publisher.college	The MSU college under whose authority or by/for whom the item was published. (Ex: College of Arts and Sciences)
dc.publisher.department	The MSU department or school under whose authority or by/for whom the item was published. (Ex: Department of Communication)
dc.publisher.msuaaffiliation	Catch-all for MSU affiliation (colleges, departments, research centers, offices, libraries) for submission form. Do not display anywhere else; convert to other publisher fields upon submission.
dc.publisher.office	The MSU office or administrative unit under whose authority or by/for whom the item was published. (Ex: Office of Research and Economic Development)
dc.publisher.organization	MSU student or faculty organization under whose authority or by/for whom the item was published.
dc.publisher.researchcenter	The MSU research center, institute, or laboratory under whose authority or by/for whom the item was published. (Ex: Forest and Wildlife Research Center)
dc.publisher	Entity responsible for publication, distribution, or imprint.
dc.relation.haspart	References physically or logically contained item.
dc.relation.hasversion	References later version.
dc.relation.isbasedon	References source.
dc.relation.isformatof	References additional physical form.
dc.relation.ispartof	References physically or logically containing item.
dc.relation.ispartofseries	Series name and number within that series, if available.
dc.relation.isreferencedby	Pointed to by referenced resource.
dc.relation.isreplacedby	References succeeding item.
dc.relation.isversionof	References earlier version.
dc.relation.replaces	References preceding item.
dc.relation.requires	Referenced resource is required to support function, delivery, or coherence of item.
dc.relation.uri	References Uniform Resource Identifier for related item.
dc.relation	Catch-all for references to other related items.
dc.rights.embargo	Embargo terms and lift date. Primarily for user-submitted items.

dc.rights.holder	The owner of the copyright
dc.rights.license	
dc.rights.uri	References terms governing use and reproduction.
dc.rights	Terms governing use and reproduction.
dc.source.institution	Almost always "Mississippi State University".
dc.source.uri	Do not use; only for harvested metadata.
dc.source	Do not use; only for harvested metadata.
dc.subject.classification	Catch-all for value from local classification system; global classification systems will receive specific qualifier
dc.subject.ddc	Dewey Decimal Classification Number
dc.subject.degree	Degree for which a thesis or dissertation was submitted.
dc.subject.lcc	Library of Congress Classification Number
dc.subject.lcsh	Library of Congress Subject Headings
dc.subject.major	Major for the author submitting a thesis or dissertation.
dc.subject.mesh	MEdical Subject Headings
dc.subject.other	Local controlled vocabulary; global vocabularies will receive specific qualifier.
dc.subject	Uncontrolled index term.
dc.title.alternative	Varying (or substitute) form of title proper appearing in item, e.g. abbreviation or translation
dc.title	Title statement/title proper.
dc.type	Nature or genre of content.