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National Digital Stewardship Residency (NDSR) program

Interview Guide for NDSR supervisors

Background Information:

1. How would you describe your organization's approach to digital preservation prior to the residency?
2. What were the initial goals and expectations that prompted your organization's involvement with the NDSR program?

Possible follow-up prompts:

- a. What were your initial expectations for how the NDSR residency would impact your institution's digital preservation practices and goals?
- b. How did your goals inform how you selected the resident?

Your NDSR project and resident:

3. How is your NDSR project advancing and have you had to make any adjustments to your objectives and deliverables?

Possible follow-up prompt:

- a. In what ways do you think the residency will contribute to your institution's overall, long-term digital preservation strategy?

4. In what specific ways has the residency already contributed to your institution's digital preservation strategy?
5. In what ways has your resident's expertise aligned with your expectations and the needs of your specific project?

Possible follow-up prompt:

- a. What are the most important skills and tools that your resident is employing in their project work?

6. In what ways, if any, has the residency revealed unexpected issues or results related to digital preservation?

Possible follow-up prompt:

- a. In what specific ways has the perspective of an outsider to your institution been insightful?

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7. At a broad level, what kinds of profession skills or aptitudes has the resident acquired through their experience at your organization?

Overall NDSR experience

8. What particular elements of the NDSR program are key to a successful experience from the supervisor/mentor standpoint?

Possible follow-up prompts:

- a. What elements of the program make your job as a mentor easier?
 - b. What elements of the program make your job as a mentor more challenging?
 - c. Are there any additional resources or areas that you need more support in?
9. What is the frequency and quality of your interacts with the other mentors?
 10. What kinds of challenges, if any, have you encountered hosting your resident?

Possible follow-up prompt:

- a. Did anyone help you resolve those challenges? If so, who and how did they help you?
11. What kinds of challenges, if any, have you encountered in participating in the NDSR program more broadly?

Possible follow-up prompt:

- a. Did anyone help you resolve those challenges? If so, who and how did they help you?
12. How do you think the NDSR program could be improved?
 13. Do you have any additional comments regarding your NDSR experience?