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Four-year SUNY public
comprehensive college

8400 students

50 undergrad majors

50+ grad programs



Digital Scholarship Centers

- focus on relationships, extending ways of collaborating with faculty and students in their scholarly practices.
- multidisciplinary – serving humanities, social sciences, sciences and more.



Digital Scholarship Center Examples:

- Brown
- Bucknell
- Duke
- NC State



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Relationship Building

'Only Connect' E. M. Forster

Identify existing strengths

Develop use cases

- Erie Canal 200th Anniversary
- College Archives (lantern slides)
- American Soldier Transcribathon
(w Virginia Tech)



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Getting There

- Starting Small(er) - Proof of Concept
 - Digital Media lab
 - Communication – Integrated Planning
 - Documenting Need
 - Building Allies
 - Developing Partnerships
- OPENness
Digital preservation
Sustainability



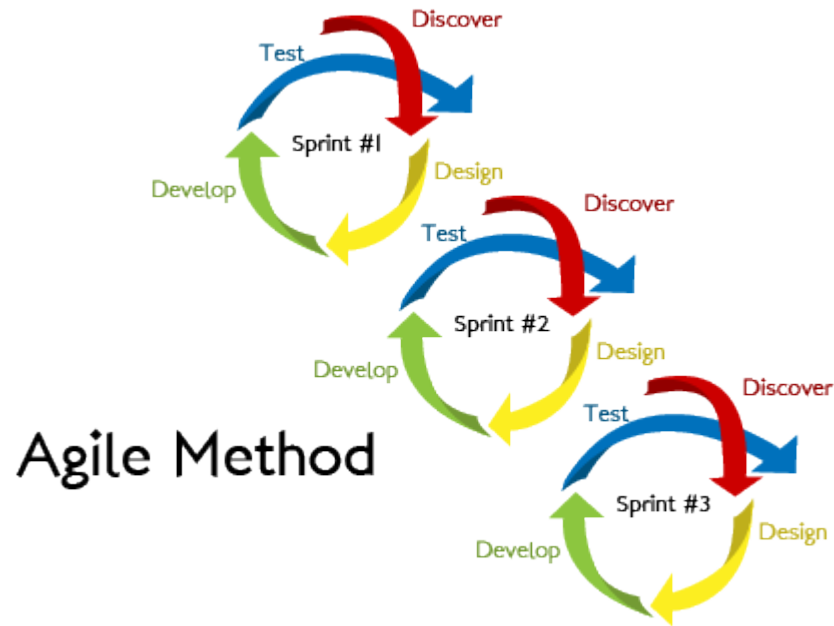
Building Culture

Raising Awareness

- Involve stakeholders
- Develop champions
- Document success (and failures)
- Celebrate milestones



Failing Forward



<https://www.360logica.com/blog/general-trends-in-agile-approaches/>



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Lessons Learned

- Awareness raising is continuous
- Seek early support from influence leaders
- Allow time for vetting/revision
- Use agile/sprint/fail-forward methodology
- Document and help others



Inspiration Points

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