

Program Equipment Plan

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This plan details projected future uses of the Public Broadcasting Preservation Fellowship equipment funded by IMLS through WGBH Educational Foundation in Boston, MA.

The equipment purchased for this preservation fellowship is located in the School of Library and Information Studies on the OU Norman campus. Due to the delicate nature of the equipment, it is not recommended to transport it around to different locations.

In November 2018, the second project fellow will be conducting and recording a webinar on how to use the equipment. This webinar will be available as a tutorial for future students and faculty who choose to use the digitization equipment.

Every spring term the School of Library and Information Studies offers a slash-listed undergraduate and master's course in Digital Collections. The course is alternatively taught as an on-campus course and as an online course. In the 2019 online course the instructor intends to use the recorded webinar in her course. During semesters in which the course is taught on-campus, the instructor may choose to use the equipment for class projects.

The equipment will be available for future preservation grant projects. For example, one of the PBPF fellows is considering applying for a grant opportunity through the Oklahoma Department of Libraries called "Improving Access to Collections Grants for Archival Collections." This grant is sponsored by the Oklahoma Historical Records Advisory Board, funded by the National Archives – National Historical Publications and Records Commission, and administered by the Oklahoma Department of Libraries. If funded, the fellow will use the PBPF equipment to continue digitizing historically significant media broadcasts from the Oklahoma Educational Television Authority.

The equipment will be available for students who want to pursue an internship in digitizing broadcast media. The Bachelor of Information Studies students are required to do an internship, and the Master of Library and Information Studies students have the option of doing an internship. Students involved with OU's Political Communication Center Archives may also do internship projects with the equipment. Students from other programs may also have an interest in using the equipment in an internship capacity.

The archivist for the Political Communication Center Archives and her staff may use the equipment to digitally preserve materials from the Archives' collection.