The WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway is a self-service tool for harvesting the metadata of your unique, open-access digital content into WorldCat. Once there, your collections are more visible and discoverable to end users who search WorldCat as well as other popular websites.

- Get started

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  Use this guide to lead you through the steps for using the WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway to add records to WorldCat from OAI-PMH compliant repositories or your CONTENTdm metadata records.

  - Overview of WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway
  - Collection configuration and metadata crosswalking
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  Find frequently asked questions about the Digital Collection Gateway.
Can I create a collection description in Gateway?
◦ Can I register more than one CONTENTdm user with the WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ Can I register more than one repository with the Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ Can I tell the Gateway how to display a thumbnail for my digital content?
◦ Can more than one person from my organization use the WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ Can one source metadata field be mapped to multiple WorldCat.org display fields?
◦ Does all metadata have to come from source data, or can I specify more collection-level data in mappings?
◦ Does my use of the Gateway make my organization a member of OCLC?
◦ How do I create a collection description in Gateway?
◦ How will duplicates be handled? For example, if my organization has a rare book that we’ve digitized and harvested, what happens if another institution harvests that same book?
◦ I’m using Connexion digital import to load records into one of my CONTENTdm collections. Should I use the WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ In the Manage Accounts tab of the Gateway I notice that I can select a repository type from a pull-down list. Are there different features available for different repository types?
◦ Is there a suggestion on how I should configure data such as language codes?
◦ It appears that some of my records were not harvested to WorldCat. How can I tell what happened?
◦ I noticed the Gateway checking my repository to see if it supports metadata prefix “oclc_dc”. What is this?
◦ Metadata in my repository is contributed by several different organizations. How can these organizations be given attribution in WorldCat?
◦ My server configuration has changed. How do I change the corresponding harvest URL in the Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ The OAI-PMH protocol allows the transfer of any metadata format that has a valid, addressable schema/namespace. My repository can support Dublin Core and MARC. Since we can supply MARC, can that be used?
◦ What if there are only certain collections that I want Gateway to harvest?
◦ What if there are only certain sets that I want Gateway to harvest?
◦ What is the difference between Replace all Records and Add New Records
◦ What is the WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ When I am viewing my digital records in the WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway, the number of records in a collection sometimes changes
◦ When I log into the WorldCat Digital Collection Gateway, am I able to harvest my entire repository as one set?
◦ Why am I getting errors in the Gateway when I attempt to use the Qualified Dublin Core metadataPrefix with my DSpace server?

• Troubleshooting

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Find frequently asked questions (FAQ) and troubleshooting steps (Troubleshooting).
Can the Gateway support a non OAI-PMH compliant repository?
◦ Can I run our Digital Collection records through a Data Sync Collection?
◦ Can we create a collection for our Digital Collection Gateway records?
◦ Failed Testing OAI support error when adding new repository
◦ How can I change the name of a repository inside Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ How can I get a count of our Digital Collection Gateway holdings in WorldCat
◦ How can I get a list of all of my library's Digital Collection Gateway content?
◦ How can I remove duplicates from our Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ How can we get an account added to our Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ How can we run a scan/delete of our WorldCat holdings without deleting all the digital collections' holdings for our symbol?
◦ How does Digital Collection Gateway identify records that need to be updated?
◦ How do I a add repository to my Digital collection gateway account?
◦ How do I add a user to our Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ How do I cancel the email delivery of the Digital Collection Gateway monthly report?
◦ How do I delete a collection from Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ How do I delete a repository from Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ How do I delete a user from DCG?
◦ How do I edit the indicators in the 856 field?
◦ How do I manually sync a collection through the Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ How do I map the data from the 024 field into an 856 field?
◦ How do I reset my Digital Collection Gateway password?
◦ How do I stop duplicate harvesting from CONTENTdm and DSpace through the Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ How do we change our harvest URL inside the Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ We are migrating our collections to a new repository. How do we delete the links to our old repository from WorldCat?
◦ I’ve registered a Digital Collection Gateway institutional profile, and now I want to register an account in DCG, but I don’t know the key. Please help me get the key.
◦ Is it a good thing to map every field in the bib record just in case you need to edit something later on?
◦ Is it possible to specify a custom metadata Prefix in our harvest URL?
◦ Is there a way to delete WorldCat records that have been harvested through Digital Collection Gateway?
◦ Is there a way to set up automated harvesting from repositories?
◦ I am getting a message inside my reports that says: Digital Collection Gateway Source record contains no OCLC number, but a record exists in WorldCat. Replaced in WorldCat. The record should be updated in your local collection.
◦ I am having trouble adding a user account to Digital Collection Gateway. I get an invalid key notification.
◦ I have mapped a link to the “view online” button, but the link is not showing up in WorldCat
◦ I would like to add myself as a user in Digital Collection Gateway but it asks for a key. Where do I get a
key?
◦ My imported digital resource does not have a view online link in Discovery
◦ On the Collection Details screen there is an option to "Replace all". What does the "Replace all" option do?
◦ Our institution has files web-hosted by a software provider. How can these records be uploaded to OCLC and made visible in WorldCat?
◦ Testing set uniqueness error when adding new repository
◦ There is no link appearing on the WorldCat records we harvested in Digital Collection Gateway.
◦ The email associated with our Digital Collection Gateway Admin account is not longer active how can we correct it?
◦ Username undefined error when signing into Digital Collection Gateway
◦ We are getting a 500 error when trying to harvest our records.
◦ We want to change harvest URLs, and we use CONTENTdm as a repository.
◦ We would like to update our harvest URL inside OAIster
◦ When we are using Digital Collection Gateway, can we add our work manually?
◦ Where do I find my digital collection gateway key?
◦ Where do I find my OAI-PMH base URL?
◦ Where would I go to remove a collection from an OAI feed?
◦ Why can we not change our collection to use the Qualified Dublin Core standard?
◦ Why do I keep receiving a validation error related to the BLvl and the 773 field of our records?
◦ Why is DCG failing our repositories ListSets?