Where do I find my OAI-PMH base URL?

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- Digital Collection Gateway

Answer

The OAI-PMH base URL is generated from an open source digital repository system. The simplest place to obtain the URL is from the repository vendor directly. Here is an example of what a typical OAI-PMH base URL could look like: http://digitalrepositorysystem.yourname.edu/cgi/oai2.cgi

If your repository is already added to Digital Collection Gateway the URL can be found on the Manage Account Tab, under Repository Details, in the URL field.

If you do not yet have a digital repository, you will need to set that up before Digital Collection Gateway will be able to harvest your data. There are many third party software systems that can use Digital Collection Gateway to sync information into WorldCat. OCLC offers a digital repository service CONTENTdm.

Additional information

There is more information about setting up CONTENTdm's harvesting to the gateway. Non CONTENTdm setup information is also available.