Academic Preservation Trust
Grant Application Support Guideline, Version 1.0

Objectives

This resource document provides language that APTrust members can use in grant applications that require a statement on how grant outputs will be digitally preserved. APTrust delivers a comprehensive approach to digital preservation, allowing members to confidently include preservation commitments in their grant applications, knowing their digital outputs will be securely maintained and readily recoverable for the long term.

Guideline statement

APTrust provides a robust digital preservation infrastructure that ensures the long-term safeguarding of digital objects deposited by its members. As a cloud-based repository with storage spread across different locations, APTrust is highly resilient to data loss by relying on a range of technologies and storing data in multiple regions. Depositors benefit from high levels of data durability and service availability, supported by continuous system monitoring and detailed record-keeping to track the provenance and integrity of their digital content. In the event of a service disruption or data integrity issue, APTrust commits to notifying depositors promptly and taking immediate action to resolve any problems, ensuring the ongoing security and accessibility of preserved content.

APTrust also adheres to rigorous security and management protocols to protect digital assets from unauthorized access or loss. These include regular integrity checks, secure access controls, and transparent reporting on the status of deposited content. In addition, APTrust's preservation strategy is underpinned by policies that allow for optional redundancy, enabling members to tailor their preservation strategies to meet specific grant requirements.

Review

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Version History

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1.0	Done	January 2025	Board review for approval and [DOI](#) obtained.