

FDLP Coordinator Certificate Program

Pilot results

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Why?

- Forecast study indicated that education was an unmet need in the community
- Coordinators want training
- GPO wants depositories to follow rules and good practices
- All want to serve the info needs of the public

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Instructors

- Cathy Wagner
- Jaime Huaman
- Ashley Dahlen
- Plus guest speakers



Depository Library Council Meeting & Federal Depository Library Conference

A Rich History, Vibrant Future

October 19 - 21, 2015 Arlington, Virginia

Pilot Participants

Coordinators (mostly) All types of libraries:

Director Academic

Regional Coordinator Law Paraprofessionals Public

Students Federal Agency & Court
GPO National library (Japan)

(two council members) Experience: 0-20+ years

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Format

- Cohort model
 - 20 participants
 - Everyone could participate
 - Knew each other
- 8 weeks
- Curriculum input from many GPO departments

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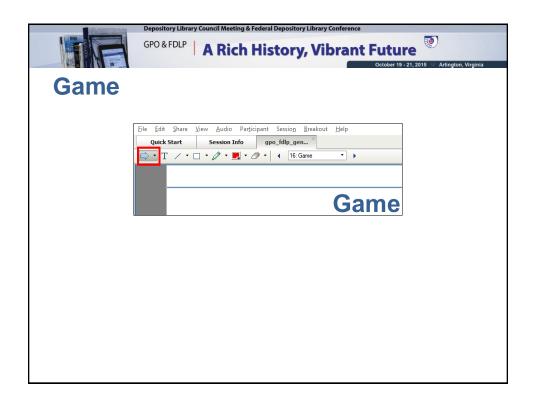


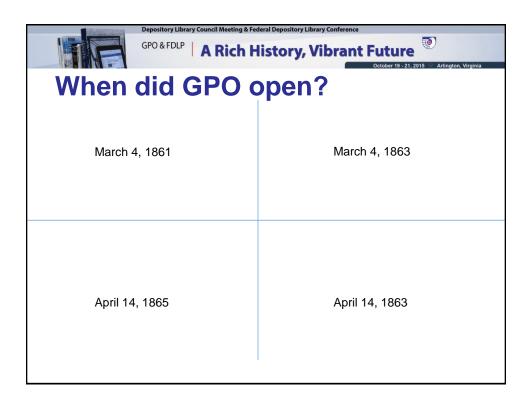
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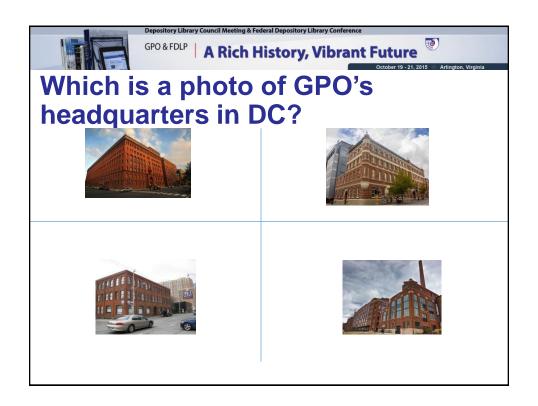
- Prepare by reading and/or writing
- Online comment board exchanges
- Live weekly class in FDLP Academy (online)
 - Slides
 - Lecture
 - Video(!)
- Follow-up assessments
 - Quiz (assess learning)
 - Survey (assess pilot program)

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Feedback

- Changes were made during the pilot after feedback from students
- All of us got used to the online environment
- Improved instructions (and reminders)



Feedback

- "One of the challenges [in GODORT] is training... this is an ideal way to provide it."
- "Building community was great."

- Julia Stewart, Southern Methodist University

- "...the most comprehensive training I have received in my library career."
- "The program had the feel of peer-to-peer training being conducted by experts."

- Aric Ahrens, Illinois Institute of Technology



Future: next cohorts

- Signup for two cohorts for this fall
- These were postponed until the spring due to LSCM staffing issues
 - course requires 3 instructors/support x 2 sessions...
 - will proceed in the spring



Future: videos available

- No certificate for viewing
- + Self-paced, watch when you want
- + Other FDLP Academy offerings and recordings available NOW
 - Interagency seminar
 - Conference sessions
 - New Depository Librarians Institute



How can you support?

- If asked to present... share your expertise!
- Support staff who want to be trained
- Encourage colleagues to participate
- Share stories about how training helped you help your patrons



Questions?

- http://www.fdlp.gov/academy
 - "View past webinars"
 - "FDLP Coordinator Certificate Program" more info link.