

As a young librarian/archivist, I was excited to attend the Fall Workshop “Digitizing Photographic Collections”. I was pleased with the amount of librarians that were interested in diving into the digital world in hopes of opening up their collections to the masses. From discussions on the use of Facebook for promoting archival collections to describing ways to scan old photograph types, every generation was able to provide their insight. I was able to meet aspiring archivists still in their library education training and seasoned veterans who are taking their collections to the next level. Everyone I met was filled with stories, advice, and encouragement which help me gain a new confidence in my task of managing the University Archives at my institution. In fact, what helped the most was the permission to start calling myself an archivist. By being accepted into this community, I know I have help to get me started on this journey. I look forward to attending future workshops and meeting even more helpful archivists willing to share their knowledge with those in need.

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