SNAC October 2018 Newsletter

News from the Operations Committee

General Updates

Communications:

The Communications Working Group will meet virtually with members of the Business Leadership Team on October 8th to begin discussions on how to best support BLT needs.

Collaborating with Joseph Glass, the Communications group will soon be able to submit content to the SNAC public website. Stay tuned for further updates.

Developer’s Update (Joseph):

The nationality terms (Americans, Swedes, etc.) in SNAC were updated to higher quality standardization. Previously, the nationalities consisted of everything that was submitted to SNAC and included misspelled entries and country codes. Matching against the Library of Congress demographic group terms, a majority of the SNAC nationality terms were cleaned programmatically. Any outliers that remain will be standardized manually.

Announcing new changes to the SNAC dashboard!

- Editor dashboard
- Reviewer dashboard
- Reporting

SNACSchool:
The SNACSchool Working Group recently issued an invitation to the entire cooperative to join in a series of new training events starting on October 2nd. These new “micro modules” will be offered over several weeks, on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, in October and November, and will cover new SNAC functionality for Source and Cite, Resource Management, and Merge.

All cooperative members recently received an invitation to enroll using a new online registration form. Once you’re enrolled, you will receive additional event information from Dina Herbert, which covers remote connection details for GoToMeeting, and specific days and times. The working group has devised this “micro” training format over a number of weeks to accommodate everyone’s varying and busy schedules. We look forward to having everyone in training in the coming weeks. Please address all questions to Jerry Simmons or Dina Herbert.

Standards and Editorial Policy:

The Standards and Editorial Policy Working Group finalized the Minimal Requirements document, held a virtual meeting and determined what we will work on for the rest of the Calendar year:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ngSAXR0KhhaBMQUH7K65snGEp7nxXZrmSCBli9RQj8w/edit

Technology Infrastructure:

Requests for Feedback

[Include here anything you’d like input on from cooperative members at large/outside of a specific group. Please include a description, due date if applicable, and contact information. Example: Daniel’s request for suggestions on ways to expand the Cooperative membership. Request for ideas on new Social Media content.]

Operations:

Communications:

[none]
Developer:

SNAC School:

Remember to sign up for SNACSchool Micro Modules in October and November!

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Other Announcements

[News or announcements that don’t fit into the above categories. Please include a description and, if referencing an email to the listserv, include the send date of the email and who sent it. Example: Announcing the launch of the production editorial interface - referencing Worthy’s January 25 e-mail to snac-coopmembers@lists.village.virginia.edu.]