

SNAC May 2019 Newsletter

News from the Operations Committee

General Updates

Communications:

The Communications working group continues efforts to spruce up the public-facing SNAC webpage(s). Efforts are underway to create the “Information for Members” area to include documents supplied by the Standards and Editorial Policy working group. And the Technical Working Group is interested in sharing some of the scripts, links, and resources for developers and researchers trying to access the SNAC API through a space on the website.

Developer’s Update (Joseph and Jason):

We are releasing a redesign of the Snaccooperative.org website in May. We’ll be rolling out an improved view page with searchable and filterable tables for relationships and resources, an interactive holding institutions map, and many other design and user interface improvements. To see the planned improvements, check out the development site at <https://snac-dev.iath.virginia.edu>. We’d love it if you took a few moments to test out the site and send us your thoughts. Any comments, suggestions or bug reports can be sent using the question mark feedback icon on the bottom-left, by emailing Joseph at [jhq2v@virginia.edu](mailto:jhg2v@virginia.edu), or by leaving a message on our Slack Channel.

SNACSchool and NARA Liaisons Team:

The SNACSchool Team met recently to plan work and events for the next few months. Among the events are SNACSchool training events scheduled for May 8 (tentative), August 2 (tentative) and September 18. The September 18 event will be held in conjunction with the SNAC Partners Meeting at the National Archives Innovation Hub (September 19-20). The Team will communicate more specific dates and times as logistics evolve and resolve. If you know of anyone in your shops who would like to attend SNACSchool, please have them contact [Jerry Simmons](#) to register!

Additionally, the Team is planning its first “Train the Trainer” event for June 10th. This exercise is a specialized training experience intended to expand our base of qualified

SNACSchool instructors. Members of the SNACSchool Team will be the first to train. As part of our long-range goals, we hope to have qualified SNACSchool instructors throughout the geographical reach of the cooperative. If you are interested in joining the SNACSchool Team and becoming a SNACSchool instructor, please contact [Jerry Simmons](#) at the National Archives.

Standards and Editorial Policy:

Technology Infrastructure:

Other Announcements

Partners Meeting

Please save the date for the September Partners Meeting at the National Archives in Washington, DC on **Sept. 19-20**.

Upcoming SNACSchool events:

- May 14 (all-remote)
- August 2 (Austin, Texas / tentative / in-class only)
- September 18 (Washington, D.C. / Smithsonian Natural History / in-class only)