

Community Consultations

Discussion Activity Handout

Digital Stewardship Curriculum

This handout includes a discussion activity idea to build a conversation or meeting about general consultation with community members in your department. Please adapt this discussion idea to what works best for your community and stakeholders.

Discussion Activity

1. Get your discussion group together:

Set up a meeting with a few other people who you can meaningfully discuss partnerships with outside organizations. The number of people will depend on your goals and what size of group works best for you.

- a. These people could be individuals within your department, people in other departments with relevant knowledge, members of a cultural committee, Elders group, or other trusted voices in the community.
- b. If you are interested in talking with other trusted colleagues doing similar work in other communities, this could be a good opportunity to reach out and compare experiences.
- c. If you have a large number of people who you want to involve in the discussion, consider splitting up into smaller groups first, then coming back together to share.

2. First discuss:

- a. What types of consultations, meetings or community events do you currently have with individual community members, committees or other stakeholders?
- b. Who do you meet with?
- c. What do you discuss?
- d. Why do you meet?
- e. How do you meet?
- f. What is challenging?
- g. What is rewarding?

3. Then discuss:

- a. What relationships do you want to develop in the future?
- b. What are your hopes and visions for working with your community in the future?