

# Guides and FAQs

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

- [End User FAQ](#) - Attempts to address the most commonly asked questions regarding DSpace (from a user perspective)
- [TechnicalFAQ](#) - Attempts to address the most commonly asked technical or installation questions regarding DSpace
- Additional resources for common questions:
  - Searching the [Mailing Lists](#) archives
  - Searching the [dspace tag on StackOverflow](#). Also see our [Guide to Posting Technical Questions to StackOverflow](#)

## Repository Planning

- The following documents are useful in planning a repository. All are written by Mary R. Barton et al copyright 2004-2005 (RM).
  - [LEADIRS Creating an Institutional Repository](#)
  - [Creating a Service Model](#)
  - [Project Planning Matrix](#)
- [SUNScholar/Practical Guidelines for Starting an Institutional Repository](#). Produced by Stellenbosch University Library, this guide provides step-by-step information to help academic institutions in developing countries start an institutional repository.
- [Lessons learned](#) building an Institutional Repository with DSpace

## Installing DSpace

- Start with the [DSpace Documentation](#).
- **Platform and distribution-specific tips and guides can be found on the [DSpace Installation Guides](#) page.**
- en español: Instalación de Dspace: [Deploy de un repositorio básico con Dspace 3.0](#)
- [DSpace Oracle to PostgreSQL migration](#) - A general guide to migrating from Oracle to PostgreSQL

## Customizing DSpace

- Past Training Materials & Workshops:
  - [DSpace Training Archives](#) - This is our primary archive of past workshop/webinar materials.
  - [DuraSpace webinar archive](#), [DuraSpace Slideshare](#) - additional workshops/webinars hosted by DSpace
  - [DSpace YouTube](#) - Some DSpace related videos (and past meetings/summaries)
- General Tips:
  - [How-To Guides](#) has a list of all wiki pages which provide "how-to" hints for changing/customizing your DSpace install.
  - [Build Cookbook](#) has examples of adding your local changes to a DSpace distribution.
- Additional training in spanish: [Curso de capacitación en repositorios y DSpace](#) by SeDiCi, Universidad de la Plata, Argentina

## Developing with DSpace

- An overall reference for developing code with DSpace (and creating patches) is available on the [Developer Guidelines and Tools](#) page.
- [Code Contribution Guidelines](#) - How to get your code accepted into DSpace.

## Documentation for New DSpace Administrators

- [Intro to DSpace](#) (August 19, 2009) - written by Cameron Kainerstorfer and Heather Perkins (both of University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center)
- [The DSpace Course](#) (August 2008) - written by Stuart Lewis and Chris Yates, funded by JISC and [Repositories Support Project](#) and was funded by JISC
- [Instructions for New Admin](#) - This is a simple guide to print off for people who will start uploading documents to your instance of DSpace, by Shawna Sadler.