**Abstract**

This poster presents usage data on institutional repositories at research intensive institutions across the United States and South Africa. Both Mines and CMU host institutional repositories to disseminate their communities’ scholarly outputs. This poster compares CMU and Mines with each other as well as with other academic institutions in South Africa.

Various elements on the institution, their libraries, and their repositories were compared. We used data on institutional repositories, including size, content type, and numbers of repositories for our comparisons. Data considered in these comparisons also included institution-level data, such as student enrollment.

**Findings**

In the comparison between Mines and CMU, we found that CMU has much more special collections / archival content. However, we found that Mines’ Theses and Dissertations content is much greater than CMU’s, especially considering the difference in graduate student enrollment.

When comparing to select South African institutions, we found many of the institutions have two repositories to separate scholarly works and datasets. Of the 24 South African repositories, many compared favorably to the CMU and Mines repositories.

**Discussion**

The number reported for CMU is for the KiltHub repository only, which excludes the approximately 390,000 items in the archival and special digital collections repository.