







# UniQuip Workshop

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### Introduction - Why are Pat, Rikki and I here?

Developed (and reimagined) community and institutional Teaching and Learning repositories for a Web 2.0 world

Agile co designers

Community and institutional systems











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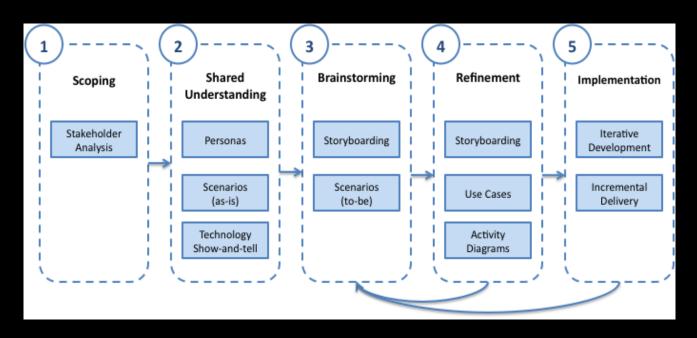
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### Lessons we've learned

- Simplicity
- Build things that fit (with how people work)
- Community led co-design
- Don't let the perfect get in the way of the good!
- Reduce the barriers
- Minimum manual metadata, maximum automatic metadata

# Co – designing the UniQuip Portal



- Today we are at working on stage 1 and 2
  - Stakeholder analysis
  - Developing a shared understanding
- In preparation for brainstorming some great innovations

## Who are the users?

#### Primary Stakeholders

 People who actually use the system

#### Secondary Stakeholders

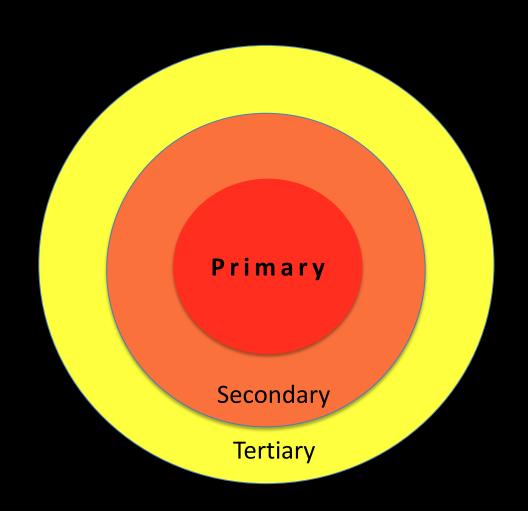
 People who do not directly interact with the system, but provide input to it, or receive output from it

#### Tertiary stakeholders

People who do not directly interact with the system, but are affected by

#### Facilitating

 People who are involved in the design, development and maintenance of the system





### Over to you,

- 5 minutes
- Each table
- Identify stakeholders
- Record them on post-its!

### Scenarios and Personas

- Written Scenarios capture a person interacting with a system during a particular activity
- **Personas** represent stakeholders, highlighting key issues for imaginary (but realistic) participants. They can capture the context of that interaction (motivations, concerns, priorities, etc.)
- Together they can help give insight into how different individuals experience a system

## Scenarios and Personas

#### Persona: Louise



Louise is a new full-time student in the School of Arts and Media at Bolton University. She is confident of her own abilities, and excited about the new course. Louise took a few years out after college and is concerned about fitting in with younger students. Her accommodation is a few miles from campus, so she is worried about making friends and getting involved in social activities.

#### **Induction Scenario**

After students have registered at the centre the School of Arts and Media holds a welcome **event** where they are introduced to the course, given core materials and receive a welcome from library staff. The School then runs a two day induction workshop. During this time students are given a tour of the facilities by staff, and are introduced to their peers and personal tutor (one of the lecturing staff) at an **icebreaking event**. Their tutor then helps them to get to know one another a bit better by producing and sharing a professional CV. They also attend WebCT training and have talks and discussions on lifelong learning. After the workshop they engage in ongoing tutorials on topics such as diversity, personal planning and numeracy.

#### **Academic Tutors - Jonathan**



Jonathan is a 30 year old senior lecturer in Computer Science who lives with his wife and two rabbits in rural Wiltshire. He is well settled into a busy academic life and is module leader on four modules, a tutor to over twenty undergraduates across all four years of study, supervisor of nine PhD candidates, and a researcher managing two technical assistants who work on several different projects. Because of his long commute he works at home whenever possible and is connected almost 24/7 through his desktop, laptop and smartphone. He prefers to administrate his life digitally and over the years has carefully selected a range of software that helps him juggle all of his responsibilities. He is frustrated that he has to use a wide range of information sources for his work that are often hard to find, and when he can find the systems that he needs he despairs that there isn't better integration with the tools that he has already chosen. He resents having to use new tools that he doesn't like as they disrupt his existing working patterns.

As Andy is coming up to his third and final year, he has some very important decisions to make. He must select which optional modules he will study alongside his third year project and a couple of compulsory modules. Because of his interesting in networking, Advanced Computer Networks is an obvious choice, but to decide the rest he has turned to his tutor, Jonathan, for advice.

Jonathan knows Andy is a good student, but is not sure which modules he has excelled in, or even whether he did the optional modules in the first 2 years which are pre-requisites for some third year modules. Jonathan hunts through his e-mail to find the marks spreadsheet he received at the end of the previous semester and looks up Andy's grades. He then searches through his department's administrative repository to find the course handbook which specifies the pre-requisites for the third year modules.

Using this gathered information combined with his understanding of the skills required in each module, Jonathan is able to recommend the modules which will interest and challenge Andy.

#### **Academic Tutors - Sarah**



Sarah is a lecturer in medieval history. She has recently joined the University from one in the North of England and is settling herself and her young family into local life (new home, new schools) and she is a long way from her extended family and friends who usually provide the home support that make her busy life easier.

She also has to settle into a different work environment. She is finding it difficult to locate the sources of information that she needs to support her tutees amongst the many university systems all of which seem to provide only part of the story. She has to continually ask her busy academic colleagues where to find information and in frustration has resorted to creating her own spreadsheet to hold basic details of her students.

She is worried that she will miss important indications of how successfully her new students are fitting into university life. Jo is struggling to settle into University study. She achieved well before coming to University, so it hurts her pride to admit that she needs help, and in fact isn't really aware of what help is available.

In the fifth week of term, Jo has a meeting with her tutor, Sarah, who is as yet unaware that Jo is struggling. Sarah asks Jo how she is getting on, and Jo claims she is okay. Sarah inquires as to Jo's performance in the first few courseworks and attendance at seminars, and again Jo's answers are non-committal and vague.

Somewhat suspicious, Sarah contacts some of her colleagues who are the module leaders on Jo's modules. She finds out from one that Jo got 51% in her first coursework, and from another that Jo has not attended 3 of her seminars. This new information allows Sarah to jump into action, e-mailing Jo to arrange another meeting and speaking to one of her postgraduate students to arrange for some extra tuition to get Jo back on track.

However, by the time Jo replies and they can arrange a meeting and set up the tuition, it is already week 7 and Jo has missed another seminar. Sarah laments not having that information earlier.







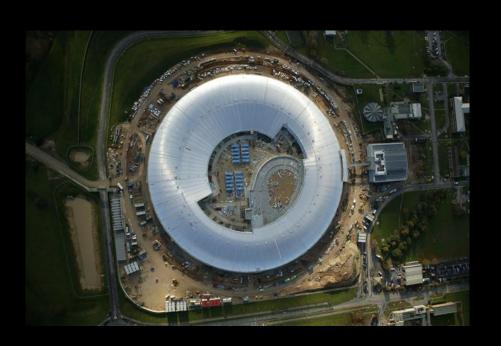




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- 10 mins –
- in pairs
- build a persona for 1 stakeholder

# It's all about the Resource...



'A full description will include Facilities, Equipment, Services, Contacts, Manufacturers (of equipment), Places and part of the Organisation. However the minimum is a single description of a facility, item of equipment or service with a label and a contact. Without listing at least one form of contact, this isn't valid! ...' cjg

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#### Over to you,

- 10mins –
- Each table
- For a piece of kit:
  - What do you need to know to be able to find it?
  - What do you need to know to be able to choose it?
- 1 data field per post it

# metadata bingo



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- Let's see what data we used to describe the kit
- What did we all agree on?
- Are there any surprises?

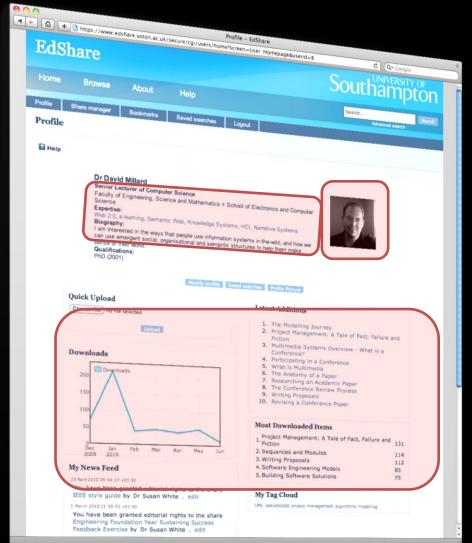
# Prioritisation – the Balloon Game



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- identify minimum
  - ideal set
  - practical set
- from perspective of
  - uploader
  - and downloader (use the personas)
- What two fields would you hold on to if everything else was wrenched away?

# Minimum manual data – maximum auto - generated data



What is user entered?

What is 'found' or automatically generated – free data?

# Round table discussion

What data you have already (cheap/free)

What extra data would give you the most value, (and truly delight you)?

- Feedback
- Questions for each table

# And finally - over to you...

- Do you recognise the stakeholders and personas?
- Who have we missed? validation
- Do the scenarios reflect your concerns and experiences?
- What have we missed? validation
- Have we captured the essential data to enable resource sharing? - validation
- What else can we leave out?
- Have we found all of the sources of free data?
- Have we missed your biggest problem?

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