

VISITING PROFESSOR OR RESEARCH SCHOLAR AGREEMENT

University of Prince Edward Island

And

Peter Rukavina

January 3, 2013

The Robertson Library, extends an invitation to Peter Rukavina as a Visiting Scholar (aka "Hacker in Residence") from January 2013 to December 2013.

Objectives of the Appointment:

- To bring the spirit and application of the 'hacker ethic' to the Robertson Library where the hacker ethic is defined as "access, freedom of information, and improvement to quality of life"¹.
- Reimagine the methods by which the Library shares its information and data.

Specific opportunities for the Visiting Professor or Research Scholar:

- "Open up the API" - Review of the Library's Islandora project and its resulting collections and reimagine and explore new ways of presenting the digital content.
- Work with the Robertson Library to provide feedback and proofs-of-concept on user interface and user experience.
- Explore how the 'hacker ethic' can be applied to libraries in other ways - eg. FabLab, 3D printing, mashups of data and digital content, intersections of technology, information and the individual/community.
- Engage the university and wider community in various activities that explore 'hacking'.

Support Provided by the Sponsoring Program:

If the support will be shared among programs or with a college, specify the support provided by each sponsoring unit.

- Collaborate with the staff of the Robertson Library, especially Donald Moses and Mark Leggott, the Islandora development team, as well as other staff and the campus and wider community.
- The Visiting Scholar will be provided a room at the Robertson Library.
- A virtual server will be provided for the Visiting Scholar's use - hacker.vre.upei.ca.
- An honorarium and travel funds may be provided via non-operating/soft funding received during the term of the agreement.

¹ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hacker_ethic

Support provided by the Professor or Research Scholar or the Professor or Research Scholar's Employer:

- The Library will provide technology resources as appropriate, but the Visiting Scholar will otherwise provide their own computer and other resources to perform the activities of the appointment.
- The Visiting Scholar will abide by all appropriate University policies, and especially those regarding the use of computer and information resources, and will inform the Library when resources are being used.

The signatures below verify approval of the visiting professor or research scholar appointment as specified in this agreement.

Visiting Scholar

Date

University Librarian
Robertson Library, UPEI

Date

C: Human Resources