Campaign Web Archives to Support Multi-Institutional Research

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Where are we today?

from IIPC 2014 General Assembly “Concluding Remarks” by Niels Brügger
2014 congressional elections

![2014 Candidate Summary](image)

“2014 Candidate Summary” by Federal Election Commission

Total Result(s): 2510
project background

2014 Primaries
Collected by: 2014 Congressional Election Cycle
Archived since: Jan, 2014
Description: A collection of 2014 congressional primary candidate's websites
research questions

• How do the type and geographic locations of campaign events vary with the characteristics of constituencies?

• When do candidates stage campaign events in “friendly” places?

• How do incumbent Congress members speak with home constituencies?
limitations of archiving technology
solutions and workarounds
takeaways

• collaborate w/ partners or leverage existing web archives
• facilitate research in the role of technical problem-solver
• share use cases of web archives-based research

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thank you!

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