Introduction to RDA

Bibliographic Description for Library Linked Data
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Session 2: Introduction to RDA

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Q: Why was RDA developed?

A: A new standard was needed to cover both digital and analog resources for the Internet, OPACs, and other digital environments. (*)
Objectives of this Class

To gain basic knowledge of RDA cataloging instructions

- Overview of the new standard
- Introduction to RDA Toolkit online
- RDA examples for selected core elements
Quiz 1

How familiar are you with RDA?
(check all that apply)

- RDA is the Recommended Daily Allowance, right?
- I’ve heard something about RDA
- I copy catalog RDA records
- I upgrade AACR2 records to RDA or create hybrids
- I create original RDA records
AACR2 was created for...

AACR2

HEADING
[Uniform Title]
Title proper / Responsibility.
- Edition. - PubLocation :
PubName, Pub date. -- # p. :
ill. ; # cm - Notes - ISBN.
I. TITLE 1. Subject 2. Subject
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RDA is based on:

- Functional Requirements for Bibliographic Records (FRBR; 1998)
- Functional Requirements for Authority Data (FRAD; 2009)
- Statement of International Cataloguing Principles (ICP; 2009)
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RDA was created for...
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Bibframe for Linked Data

```xml
<rdfs:Class rdf:about="http://bibframe.org/vocab/Work">
  <rdfs:label>Work</rdfs:label>
  <rdfs:subClassOf rdf:resource="http://bibframe.org/vocab/Resource"/>
  <rdfs:comment>Resource reflecting a conceptual essence of the cataloging resource.</rdfs:comment>
</rdfs:Class>

<rdfs:Class rdf:about="http://bibframe.org/vocab/Instance">
  <rdfs:label>Instance</rdfs:label>
  <rdfs:subClassOf rdf:resource="http://bibframe.org/vocab/Resource"/>
  <rdfs:comment>Resource reflecting an individual material Work.</rdfs:comment>
</rdfs:Class>
```
What is RDA? (*)

- A **content** standard, not a **display** standard or an **encoding** standard
- Focuses on local **user** needs
- Basic goals are to **identify** and **relate**
- Was intended as an **online tool** organized according to user tasks
# New Terminology

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<th>RDA</th>
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<td>Content, Media, and Carrier Type</td>
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Same bibliographic information

**PERSON:** Preferred Name.

**WORK:** Preferred Title.

**MANIFESTATION:** Title Statement of responsibility, Edition statement, Publication statement, Extent, Dimensions, Notes, Standard numbers.

**EXPRESSION:** Edition, Illustrative content.

**CONCEPT:** Topical subject.

**PLACE:** Geographical subject.
Quiz 2

How familiar are you with RDA Toolkit, print or online? (choose one)

- I have never heard of RDA Toolkit
- I have heard of RDA Toolkit, but do not use it
- I have used RDA Toolkit a few times
- I use RDA Toolkit regularly
Introduction to RDA

- Structure based on FRBR
- Transcription guidelines
- RDA Core Elements
- LC-PCC Policy Statements
- Appendices
Based on FRBR Entities

- **Section 1:** Recording Attributes of Manifestation & Item
- **Section 2:** Recording Attributes of Work & Expression
- **Section 3:** Recording Attributes of Persons, Families & Corporate Bodies
- **Section 4:** Recording Attributes of Concepts, Objects, Events, and Places
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Based on FRBR Relationships

- **Section 5:** Recording Primary Relationships Between Work, Expression, Manifestation, & Item
- **Section 6:** Recording Relationships to Persons, Family & Corporate Bodies
- **Section 7:** Recording Relationships to Concepts, Objects, Events, and Places
Based on FRBR Relationships

- **Section 8**: Recording Relationships Between Work, Expression, Manifestation, & Item
- **Section 9**: Recording Relationships Between Persons, Family & Corporate Bodies
- **Section 10**: Recording Relationships Between Concepts, Objects, Events, and Places
Transcription

“Take what you see; accept what you get” (*)

RDA 1.7
- Capitalization, punctuation, abbreviations, inaccuracies, symbols, numerals

Appendix B
- Abbreviate some dimensions and durations (in. for inches and min. for minutes), but not pages, volumes, illustrations, etc.
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## Core Elements

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<th>Library of Congress Core Plus</th>
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<tr>
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<td>Earlier, Later, &amp; Key title proper</td>
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<td>Series statement</td>
<td>Digital file characteristics</td>
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<td>Identifier for the manifestation</td>
<td>Restrictions on use</td>
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<td>Carrier Type</td>
<td>Uniform Resource locator</td>
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<td>Extent</td>
<td>Various notes and many other elements</td>
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LC-PCC Policy Statements
(Library of Congress-Program for Cooperative Cataloging Policy Statements)

- Freely available under the Resources tab
- Links from corresponding RDA instruction

![RDA Toolkit]

+ AACR2
+ Anwendungsrichtlinien für den deutschsprachigen Raum (D-A-CH AWR)
+ Library of Congress-Program for Cooperative Cataloging Policy Statements (LC-PCC PS)
Appendices

- Appendix A: Capitalization
- Appendix B: Abbreviations and Symbols
- Appendix C: Initial Articles
- Appendix I: Relationship Designators Between a Resource and Persons, [etc.]
- Appendix J: Relationship Designators Between Works, Expressions, [etc.]
Quiz 3

Is RDA completely different from AACR2?
(choose one)

- Yes, everything is different
- No, everything is the same
- No, some things are different and some things are the same
Core Element: Title

RDA 2.3

Don’t correct errors for monographs; no more “[sic]” or “[i.e., ____]”
  ‣ Provide the corrected title as a variant title or in a note

Do correct errors for serials and integrating resources to have a stable title
  ‣ Provide the misspelled title as a variant title or in a note
Core Element: Title

RDA 2.3.1.4

Monographs

245 $a Teusday’s tasks
246 $i Corrected title: $a Tuesday’s tasks

Serials

245 $a Zoology studies
246 $i Misspelled title on number 6: $a Zooology studies
Core Element: Responsibility

RDA 2.4

If more than one person, family, or corporate body

- Transcribe as found, no more AACR2 “rule of 3”
- The first name is the primary access point
- *Option:* Transcribe first name and give bracketed summary about information not transcribed

Do not omit:

- Titles of nobility, address, honor, etc.
- *Option:* Shorten if essential information not lost
Core Element: Responsibility

RDA 2.4.1.5

245 10 $a ... / $c by Susan Brown, Melanie Carlson, Stephen Lindell, Kevin Ott, and Jane Wilson.

Optional omission (not recommended per LC-PCC PS)

245 10 $a ... / $c by Susan Brown [and four others].

245 10 $a ... / $c by Susan Brown, Melanie Carlson [and three others].

245 10 $a ... / $c by Susan Brown [and others].
Core Element: Edition

RDA 2.5

Transcribe as found; do not abbreviate

On resource: Third edition
250  $a Third edition.

On resource: 2nd enlarged ed., rev.
250  $a 2nd enlarged ed., rev.

On resource: Abridged edition
250  $a Abridged edition.
Core Element: Place of Publication

**RDA 2.8**

If more than one, only the first recorded is required – no "home country" provision

- Optional to record more than one
- Supply a probable place whenever possible

If no probable place, give

- [Place of publication not identified], not [S.l.]

**Do not correct** fictitious or incorrect information; make a note to explain
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Core Element: Place of Publication

RDA 2.8.2

On resource: London -- New York -- Boston

- 264 _1 $a London
- 264 _1 $a London ; $a New York ; $a Boston

Supplied place

- 264 _1 $a Red Oak [Iowa]

Note about incorrect information

- 264 _1 $a Minneapolis
- 500 $a Actually published in St. Paul.
Core Element: Publisher’s Name

RDA 2.8

If no publisher identified, give [publisher not identified] – not [s.n.]

If more than one, only the first name is required

On source:

Houston -- Davidson Books

264 _1 $a Denver : $b Pilking Pub. Co.
Core Element: Publisher’s Name

RDA 2.8.4

Do not shorten the form of name; can omit hierarchy

264 _1 ... :$b J.J. Wilson Publishing Company


On source: Humanities Association, Literature Division, Renaissance Literature Section

264 _1 $a ... : $b Humanities Association, Renaissance Literature Section
Core Element: Date of Publication

RDA 2.8

If no publication date on resource, supply a probable date whenever possible

Probable year (if copyright year present):

264 _1 ...,$c [2010]
264 _4 ...,$c ©2010

If no probable date (very rare) for single-part monographs, give [date of publication not identified]

264 _1 ...,$c [date of publication not identified]
Core Element: RDA and Serials

RDA 2.17.5

Prefer unformatted note (362 Ind1 = 1)

362 1_ $a Began with volume 1, number 1 (October 20, 1794); ceased with volume 5, number 4 (October 31, 1796).

not 362 0_ $a Vol. 1, no. 1 (Oct. 20, 1794)-v. 5, no. 4 (Oct. 31, 1796).

For Inclusive Dates, record the both years as YYYY

362 1_ $a Began with 1st (1925/1926).

not 362 0_ $a 1st (1925/26)-
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RDA Authority Records

In MARC

008/10 = value “z” (Other)
040 = $e rda
370 = Associated place
371 = Address
372 = Field of activity
373 = Affiliation
374 = Profession or occupation
375 = Gender
377 = Associated language
References


For further study

‣ Maxwell, Robert L. Maxwell's handbook for RDA, resource description & access: explaining and illustrating RDA: resource description and access using MARC21
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Session 3: October 2, 2014
Cataloging in a Multistandards Environment: AACR2 and RDA, OCLC and MARC

All sessions begin at 2:00 p.m. Central Time; 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time;
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