

**Digitizing 140,000 Pages of Yiddish Linguistics:
Strategies and Lessons Learned**
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Description: In 2016, the National Endowment for the Humanities granted Columbia University Libraries funding to digitize and make available c.140,000 pages of field notes from the Language and Culture Atlas of Ashkenazic Jewry. The two-year project involved extensive collaboration, both within and outside the university, and required new ideas and strategies for digitizing a large quantity of archival materials for patron use. This talk will discuss some of the strategies, challenges, and creative thinking and work that was required to take the idea into reality.