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## "BIG DATA, OPEN DATA, AND SCHOLARSHIP"



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attendance

**February 29 | 3pm**

**University of
Pittsburgh**
University Club,
Ballroom A

*Reception to follow*

Open to the public
Free to attend
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Scholars gathered data long before the emergence of books, journals, libraries, publishers, or the Internet. Until recently, data were considered part of the process of scholarship, essential but largely invisible. In the "big data" era, the products of these research processes have become valuable objects in themselves to be captured, shared, reused, and sustained for the long term. Data also has become contentious intellectual property to be protected, whether for proprietary, confidentiality, competition, or other reasons. Public policy leans toward open access to research data, but rarely with the public investment necessary to sustain access. Enthusiasm for big data is obscuring the complexity and diversity of data in scholarship and the challenges for stewardship. Data practices are local, varying from field to field, individual to individual, and country to country. This talk will explore the stakes and stakeholders in research data and implications for policy and practice.

BIO: Christine L. Borgman is the author of more than 250 publications in information studies, computer science, and communication, including three books published by the MIT Press. *Big Data, Little Data, No Data: Scholarship in the Networked World* (2015), follows *Scholarship in the Digital Age: Information, Infrastructure, and the Internet* (2007) and *From Gutenberg to the Global Information Infrastructure: Access to Information in a Networked World* (2000), winners of the Best Information Science Book of the Year award from ASIST. She is a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and of the Association for Computing Machinery; recipient of the Paul Evan Peters Award from the Coalition for Networked Information, Association for Research Libraries, and EDUCAUSE; and a Legacy Laureate of the University of Pittsburgh. Borgman directs the Center for Knowledge Infrastructures at UCLA with funding from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation and the National Science Foundation. She is a Distinguished Professor and holds the Presidential Chair in Information Studies.

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