MUSEUM OVERVIEW

- One building
  - One alcohol room and multiple dry rooms
- 9 collections
- 5 collection managers, 8 curators
  - Student volunteers
  - NO operating budget
- All on Specify
AUM INVERTEBRATE COLLECTION

- 14,000 accessioned lots, 8,000 are mollusks
  - 8,200 in 70% EtOH, 5,800 dry
- 20 phyla, focused on Annelida and Echinodermata
- All 7 continents, focused on Antarctica
- Absorbed 2 private shell collections and one small University collection
- Backlog: ~600 in the museum, >10,000 in curator’s lab
Digitize as we catalog/accession

Slow process, only me currently

Challenges:

- Standardization of data entry in the past
- Lack of QA/QC in past
- Freshwater and marine are integrated

Future - smooth operation of reliable workers that I can oversee and check at regular intervals