

Advancing the Open Access Agenda with Library Support of Open Access Journals

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Today's Outline

- Introduction and Context
- Scholarly Communication: New Roles
- Open Access Journals
- Lessons Learned / Challenges
- Progress
- Future Efforts

Scholarly Communication: Alternative Models

- **Institutional Repositories**

- Unified open access to and preservation of the electronic collections of works of members of the institution's community

- **Open Access Journals**

- Available at no cost to end user, without financial or legal barriers
- Remove most license barriers
- Subsidized by institutions, societies, author fees (APCs)

- **Open Educational Resources**

- Freely accessible, openly licensed documents and media that are useful for teaching, learning, and assessing as well as for research purposes

- **Open Data / Open Research**

- Central theme is to make clear accounts of the methodology freely available via the internet, along with any data or results extracted or derived from them

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Exploration of Alternative Models: Opportunities

- Creation of new types of content and formats
- Wide dissemination of scholarship
- Visibility and citation impact factor at journal and article levels
- Use, re-use, and re-purposing of scholarly materials, all at no cost to end user
- Digitally archive work with permanent url or DOI
- Rights management of content
 - Use of addendum for publisher journals
 - Use of Creative Commons licenses
- Maintain faculty roles as authors, peer reviewers, editors

Exploration of Alternative Models: Challenges

- Perception issues
 - Quality and impact of OA journals
- Copyright issues
 - Author rights
 - Licenses / Ownership
 - Publisher contracts
- Editorial issues
- Marketing
- Publication and distribution

Scholarly Communication: Library Roles

- Nexus of communication for campus
- Library role as steward of scholarship
- Collect, preserve, and disseminate digital material
- Organize, provide access to information
- Expanded liaison role with faculty
- Copyright, fair use, author rights, Creative Commons
- Information and digital fluency
- Research data management services

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- [Open Access Fund Proposal](#) (approved, Senior Management Group, April 18, 2014)
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Publishing and Editorial Services

- Library supported software and staffing
- OA journal creation and management
- Material submission, ingest, call for submissions
- Metadata application
- Peer review and editorial management support
- Data management
- Assignment of ISSN, DOIs
- Dissemination of content
- Preservation, durability, storage

Best Practices for OA Journal publishing

- Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE)
 - Research and publication misconduct advice for editors and publishers
- Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)
 - Develop, maintain, and curate information on OA journals
 - Advocate compliance with standards of digital publishing
- Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association (OASPA)
 - Trade association for OA publishers, to help drive high standards in open access publishing
- World Association of Medical Editors (WAME)
 - Develop policies and best practices for medical editors

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Open Access Journal Criteria

- 1. Peer review process
- 2. Governing Body such as editorial board
- 3. Editorial team / contact information
- 4. Author fees
- 5. Copyright and licensing information
- 6. Process for identification of and dealing with allegations of research misconduct
- 7. Ownership and management: Information
- 8. Web site: ensure high ethical and professional standards

OA Journal Criteria continued

- 9. Name of journal
- 10. Conflicts of interest
- 11. Access
- 12. Revenue sources: author fees, subscriptions, advertising, reprints, institutional support, and organizational support
- 13. Advertising policy
- 14. Publishing schedule
- 15. Archiving: backup and preservation of access to the journal content
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- Demonstrate value across the institution
 - Use formal assessment
 - Engage in online learning
- Collaborate with teaching and research faculty
- Become more student-centered, patron experience
- Embrace role as educators
- Maximize impact on student learning and success
- Provide education and workshops

Issues of Diversity in Publication

- Angela Cochran, Sara McNamara, Ann Michael, Mady Tissenbaum, Alice Meadows, Lauren Kane, “Mind the Gap: Addressing the Need for More Women Leaders in Scholarly Publishing,” panel at the Society of Scholarly Publishing Annual Meeting (2015).
- Charlotte Roh, Emily Drabinski, Harrison Inefuku, “Scholarly Communication as a Tool for Social Justice and Diversity,” panel at the Association of College and Research Libraries Annual Meeting (2015).
- Charlotte Roh, “Library publishing and diversity values”, *CR&L News*, vol. 77 no. 2, 82-85, Feb 2016.

What's next? What's the goal?

- Focus on quality and high impact in scholarly publishing
- Expand library publishing service components, best practices, and partnerships
- Transform academic culture so that libraries become principal publishers of scholarly work
- Move toward open licensing for library-created content
 - Anita Walz (librarian at VA Tech)
- Sign on to the OA2020 initiative
 - Goal: to convert journals from subscription to OA by re-directing subscription funds to OA funds and to finance essential services

Thanks!

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