Open Access (OA) Immersion: Librarians Report from the Field

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Today

• What are librarians doing about Open Access?

1. Re: their own research

2. To support the research of faculty

3. To maximize access to scholarly content
Foundations of OA Support/Demand

- Professional associations
- Funding agencies
- Institutions
- Librarian Faculty Mandates
LIS OA Journal Publishing

- Venues (which journals)
- Rates
- Challenges
- What’s going on with the U of Calgary Author OA Fund?
LIS Self-Archiving

• Venues (disciplinary/institutional repositories)

• Rates

• Challenges
Some points on using an addendum

• Editors are concerned with content: copyright-management role may elsewhere

• Journals want your content

• You can choose another publication venue

• Even if rejected, you have sent a message to the publisher about your wishes as an author
Librarian Attitudes/Concerns

- Overwhelmingly positive, except…

- Fiscal questions

- Training, time and expertise

- Copyright (more on this next)
Copyright

• Confusion

• Support and training

• Author addendums/negotiation
Now what?

• Test the waters re: what you’re asking busy faculty to do

• Find and acknowledge obstacles: get out of theory and into practice

• Consider our disciplinary research worthy of wide dissemination and interdisciplinary partnerships
Policy inventories

• List of funder and institutional mandates: [http://www.eprints.org/openaccess/policy signup/](http://www.eprints.org/openaccess/policy signup/)

• Publisher copyright & self-archiving policies: [www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo.php](http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo.php)

• Publishers with paid options for Open Access: [http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo/PaidOA.html](http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo/PaidOA.html)
Organizations/Current Awareness


- Peter Suber’s Open Access pages: [http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/](http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/)

- Public Knowledge Project: [http://pkp.sfu.ca/about](http://pkp.sfu.ca/about)
Find Repositories and Journals

- Registry of Open Access Repositories (ROAR): http://roar.eprints.org/

- Directory of Open Access Repositories (OpenDOAR): http://www.opendoar.org/

- Directory of Open Access Journals: http://www.doaj.org
Disciplinary Repositories

• E-LIS: http://eprints.rclis.org/

• arxiv: http://arxiv.org/

• RePec: http://repec.org/

• PubMed Central: www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov
Declarations and Initiatives: Broader Environment

- Budapest Open Access Initiative: [http://www.soros.org/openaccess/](http://www.soros.org/openaccess/)
- Bethesda Statement on Open Access: [http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/bethesda.htm](http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/bethesda.htm)
- Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge in the Sciences and Humanities: [http://oa.mpg.de/openaccess-berlin/berlindeclaration.html](http://oa.mpg.de/openaccess-berlin/berlindeclaration.html)
Synergies

- Synergies: http://www.synergiescanada.org/

- Synergies Prairie Node: http://synergiesprairies.ca/
University of Calgary Resources and Information

- Libraries & Cultural Resources Open Access mandate: [http://library.ucalgary.ca/open-access/libraries-cultural-resources](http://library.ucalgary.ca/open-access/libraries-cultural-resources)
- Open Access Authors Fund: [http://library.ucalgary.ca/services/for-faculty/open-access-authors-fund-0](http://library.ucalgary.ca/services/for-faculty/open-access-authors-fund-0)
- University of Calgary Institutional Repository: [https://dspace.ucalgary.ca/](https://dspace.ucalgary.ca/)
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