

The Librarians View: The Role of Librarians in Promoting Open Access, Trust, and Transparency

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- University of Calgary
- Libraries and Cultural Resources (LCR)
- Open Access Suite especially the Open Access Authors Fund
- Trust and Transparency and Libraries

What We're Going To Talk About

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- 1966 start
- One of two universities in Calgary
- One large main campus location with small satellites in the city and a nursing school in Qatar
- 31,800 students, 1,800 faculty, 3,000 staff
- Broad subject coverage in research and teaching

University of Calgary

- One of the larger post-secondary institutions in Canada
- Generally ranks about 7th among Canadian schools
- In THE 100 Under 50 2014, is 19th in the world, 1st in Canada

University of Calgary (cont.)



The University of Calgary – South Entrance, Main Campus

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The University of Calgary - Summer

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The University of Calgary - Winter

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The University of Calgary – Taylor Family Digital Library

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- Made up of:
 - Canadian Architectural Archives
 - Military Museums and Archives
 - Special Collections
 - University Archives
 - Nickle Galleries
 - University of Calgary Press
 - Centre for Scholarly Communication
- One main library (Taylor Family Digital Library) + 6 branches and a high density storage facility
- Ranked 43rd in the Association of Research Libraries rankings (2011-2012)

Libraries and Cultural Resources (LCR)

- Open Access Authors Fund
- Institutional Repository
- University of Calgary Press
- Publishing services
- Digital initiatives

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- 1st in Canada, 6th in the world
- Began in 2008/2009; now in 7th year
- \$100,000 CAN in 2008/2009; \$250,000+ CAN for 2014/2015
- Money comes from library budget
- Criteria for both authors and journals/publishers (recently changed)
- 585+ articles covered so far, increasing in number
- LCR is expected to offer this service

Open Access Authors Fund

- What librarians do is born out of user warrant
- Librarians have a variety of unique perspectives
- Librarians are excellent at partnerships
- Libraries are good on the financial side
- Librarians are good at information finding
- Librarians can be proscriptive... or not

Trust and Transparency and Librarians

- Can still see broader
- Can still be better informed
- Talk the talk but don't always walk the walk
- Don't always take advantage of the opportunities
- Can always do better

Trust and Transparency and Librarians – What Librarians May Not Do So Well



Questions? Discussion?

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- University of Calgary: www.ucalgary.ca
- Times Higher Education 100 Under 100 2014: <http://www.timeshighereducation.co.uk/world-university-rankings>
- Libraries and Cultural Resources (LCR): lcr.ucalgary.ca
- Open Access Authors Fund: library.ucalgary.ca/open-access-authors-fund
- Institutional Repository: dspace.ucalgary.ca
- University of Calgary Press: uofcpress.com
- Publishing services: lcr.ucalgary.ca/publishingservices
- Journal hosting: <http://lcr.ucalgary.ca/journalhosting>
- Digital initiatives: www.ucalgary.ca/digitalinitiatives.com

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