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

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What We’re Going To Talk About

- University of Calgary
- Libraries and Cultural Resources (LCR)
- Open Access Suite especially the Open Access Authors Fund
- Trust and Transparency and Libraries
• 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
One of the larger post-secondary institutions in Canada

Generally ranks about 7\textsuperscript{th} among Canadian schools

In THE 100 Under 50 2014, is 19\textsuperscript{th} in the world, 1st in Canada
The University of Calgary – South Entrance, Main Campus

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