Coffee and Conversations: How to do OA (Open Access) at KU

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Today’s agenda

• Why Open Access?
• KU’s OA policy
• KU ScholarWorks
• Three steps to Open-ness
• How we can help
Benefits of Open Access: Why OA?

• Increased visibility for your research
  – KU ScholarWorks is indexed by Google;
  – Statistics (downloads and views) are kept for each item, showing international exposure
• Potentially more citations
• The results of scholarship are a public good
• The current system is NOT economically sustainable
• Join your colleagues in participating in the KU faculty’s Open Access policy.
KU’s Open Access Policy

• A faculty initiative
• Passed by Faculty Senate in April, 2009
• Updated in February, 2010
  – Dean of Libraries responsible for implementation
• “A coalition of the willing”
What’s in KU’s OA policy?

Faculty at KU

• Grant KU a non-exclusive license to share their work
• Can opt-out of participation per paper
• Retain all copyrights to their work
• Policy applies only to scholarly articles published since April, 2009.
• For more information, see http://www.lib.ku.edu/openaccess/
The faculty of the University of Kansas (KU) is committed to sharing the intellectual fruits of its research and scholarship as widely as possible and lowering barriers to its access. In recognition of that commitment and responsibility, the KU faculty is determined to take advantage of new technologies to increase access to its work by the citizens of Kansas and scholars, educators, and policymakers worldwide. In support of greater openness in scholarly endeavors, the KU faculty agrees to the following:

Each faculty member grants to KU permission to make scholarly peer-reviewed journal articles to which he or she made substantial intellectual contributions publicly available in the KU open access institutional repository, and to exercise the copyright in those articles. In legal terms, the permission granted by each faculty member is a nonexclusive, irrevocable, paid-up, worldwide license to exercise any and all rights under copyright relating to each of his or her scholarly articles, in any medium, and to authorize others to do the same, provided that the articles are not sold for a profit. This license in no way irrevocably interferes with the rights of the KU faculty author as the copyright holder of the work.

The policy will apply to all scholarly peer-reviewed journal articles authored or co-authored while a faculty member of KU. To assist in the open distribution of the articles, faculty members will provide bibliographic information and an electronic copy of each article within 30 days of publication to the Provost’s Designate. The license granted to KU regarding an article will be waived by the Provost’s Designate at the sole discretion of the faculty member upon written/electronic notification. The Provost’s office will be responsible for interpreting this policy, resolving disputes concerning its application, and recommending changes as necessary. This policy will be reviewed by Faculty Governance, in concert with the Provost’s office, every three years, and a report presented to Faculty Governance. A broadly representative Open Access Advisory Board made up of faculty, representatives from faculty governance, and the Provost’s office will provide additional guidance and oversight in policy implementation.
Effect of KU’s OA Policy

In short, the KU Open Access policy allows KU faculty to share their research openly, with assistance to make it happen.
Where the work goes:
KU ScholarWorks

• KU ScholarWorks is an open digital archive which hosts KU faculty and graduate student scholarship

• http://kuscholarworks.ku.edu/dspace/

• Communities of scholarly activity

• Google!

• Statistics on views and downloads are available for an individual article, a collection, or an entire community.
Three Steps to Open-ness

1. Publish your paper where you want. Get it accepted.
2. Retain your copyright. We can help.
   – We can help review publisher’s agreements before they are signed
   – Next session at 10:00 will examine publication agreements in more depth
3. Send us a copy of your paper which we will deposit into KU ScholarWorks:
   – If you are allowed to share, send us a copy of the accepted manuscript
   – If you are not allowed to share, send us the citation to the paper
CDS staff are here to help!

- Staff in the Libraries’ Center for Digital Scholarship are here to assist faculty and graduate students in sharing their work through KU ScholarWorks.
  - Help interpreting publisher agreements
  - Copyright questions
  - Assistance depositing your work in KU ScholarWorks
  - Working with Open Access liaisons in departments
  - CV Service
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Center for Digital Scholarship staff will:
• Research the publisher policies on open sharing for the journal articles listed in a vita
• Send the faculty member the results
• Deposit published versions, when allowed
• Deposit accepted manuscripts provided by the author

Send us the CV and we’ll go on from there
To Review:

– Know your rights. Retain enough to share openly.
  • We can help review publisher’s agreements before they are signed
  • CDS provides tools that you can use to protect your rights to share

– Keep a copy of the final draft of your article
– If you have rights to share, send us the citation and the final draft for posting in KU ScholarWorks.

We are always happy to help along the way.
Discussion and Questions

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