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Open Access: Open Access Policy

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OA Policy FAQ	University of Lethbridge Open Access Policy	UWeekly Series on the OA Policy
<p>Includes content adapted from OA policy FAQs of Simon Fraser University (https://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/publishing/open-access/open-access-policy#faqs-and-definitions) and MIT (https://libraries.mit.edu/scholarly/mit-open-access/faq)</p>	<p>1. Purpose</p> <p>1.1. This Policy identifies the archiving and dissemination of scholarly articles authored by University Authors to promote the creation and transmission of knowledge, with proper consideration given to robust public access to that knowledge and to the need for an educated citizenry.</p> <p>1.2. This Policy is aspirational and intended to encourage open access to scholarly work. While the University expects authors to participate no</p>	<p>Access series here (https://library.ulethbridg)</p>

on-the-oa-policy/).

Q. How does the policy benefit me?

Q. Will the policy limit my academic freedom or interfere with STP processes?

Q. If we can get a waiver, why do we need this policy—isn't it an unnecessary step?

Q. Could we just write a waiver into the policy in a way that makes it automatically take effect with no action by authors?

Q. Is the U of L taking control of the articles I write?

Q. How can the policy apply to me if I don't know any reputable OA publishers or journals in my field?

Q. If most publishers already permit local archiving

expects authors to participate, the

University sanctions will result from failure to comply.

2. Definitions

For purposes of this Policy:

2.1. "University Authors" shall mean the University of Lethbridge faculty, undergraduate and graduate students, and post-doctoral fellows in an author or co-author capacity.

3. Policy

3.1. University Authors are encouraged to provide the University of Lethbridge Library an electronic copy of the finalized text of all scholarly articles. The electronic copy shall be provided to the University of Lethbridge Library (opus.library@uleth.ca (mailto:opus.library@uleth.ca?subject=OPUS%20submission)) prior to the date of its publication.

3.2. University Authors grant the University of Lethbridge the non-exclusive permission to permanently archive, preserve, reproduce and openly disseminate, in any medium¹, all scholarly articles authored by the University Author, provided that the articles are properly attributed to the University Authors; this permission is granted for the sole objective of archiving the articles for non-commercial purposes. Permission is granted on the understanding that University Authors will not be charged any use or service fees for activities associated with this Policy.

3.3. The University of Lethbridge Library will make the scholarly article available to the public, taking into consideration requirements for access delay.


3.4. The Provost & Vice-President (Academic), in consultation with the University Librarian, will be responsible for this Policy.

OA Policy Approved

At its December 9, 2019 meeting, the University's General Faculties Council passed a motion to adopt the proposed Open Access Policy. The approved policy (<https://www.uleth.ca/pc-access-policy>) is effective December 9, 2019.

Policy Brief

This 2-page brief outlines the policy's purpose, context, rationale, and benefits for researchers.

-  Policy Brief ([//library.ulethbridge.ca/content_id=34468611](https://library.ulethbridge.ca/content_id=34468611))

of AAMs, why do we need an OA policy?

Q. What happens if a journal I publish in doesn't allow local archiving of manuscripts of any sort?

Q. What support will be offered to faculty, especially in the back and forth with publishers regarding licensing? Do we have enough staff to provide this?

Q. Will I have to spend a lot of extra time reading my author publishing agreements carefully to ensure they don't conflict with the policy?

Q. What is the relationship between the U of L policy and the Tri-Agency OA Policy?

Q. Does the proposed policy apply to co-authored

4. EXCIUSIONS

4.1. Subject to applicable Legislation, this Policy will not be interpreted or applied so as to limit or amend the provisions contained in any Handbook, collective agreement or employment manual entered into between the Board of Governors of the University of Lethbridge and its employees.

4.2. This Policy does not cover any articles published before the adoption of this policy, and any articles for which the University Author entered into an incompatible licensing or assignment agreement before the adoption of this Policy.

4.3. The application of this Policy to any particular article will be waived automatically (via web request form (<https://www.ulethbridge.ca/lib/copyright/OA/waiver.asp>)) upon request by a University Author.


5. Policy Review

5.1. This Policy will be reviewed after three years and annually a report shall be presented to General Faculties Council through the GFC Library Committee.

¹The granted permission includes the ability to archive and openly disseminate articles "in any medium" only to ensure the content of the University of Lethbridge's research repository can be migrated to other archiving and dissemination media and platforms as the need arises..

Policy Background Document

This 5-page document accompanied the draft policy when it went to the September 2019 meeting of General Faculties Council as an item for discussion.

-  Background Document ([//library.ulethbridge.ca/content_id=34980151](https://library.ulethbridge.ca/content_id=34980151))

Librarians OA Policy

The Professional Librarians Committee adopted an OA policy on April 16, 2018. As required by the policy, a one-year report (https://library.ulethbridge.ca/content_id=34814153) was compiled and presented in May 2019.

papers?

Q. What is the status of papers I published before the policy is adopted?

Q. How do I get a clean AAM for submission to OPUS?

Q. What if my publisher's policy requires an embargo period on public access to my AAM?

Q. Won't the policy introduce version proliferation and citation confusion?

Q. What will happen if researchers don't follow the policy?

Q. Will the content be accessible without having to come to the U of L page (OPUS)?

Q. Does the draft policy violate the Faculty Handbook (FH)

*article on
intellectual
property?*

*Q. Why does
the draft policy
require faculty
to cede
significant
rights to the
University?*

*Q. Does the
policy really
need to grant
“irrevocable”
permission to
archive articles
“in any
medium”?*

*Q. Won't
adoption of the
draft policy
harm small
scholarly
presses?*

*Q. Shouldn't
ULFA be
involved in the
resolution of
disputes
arising from
the policy?*

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