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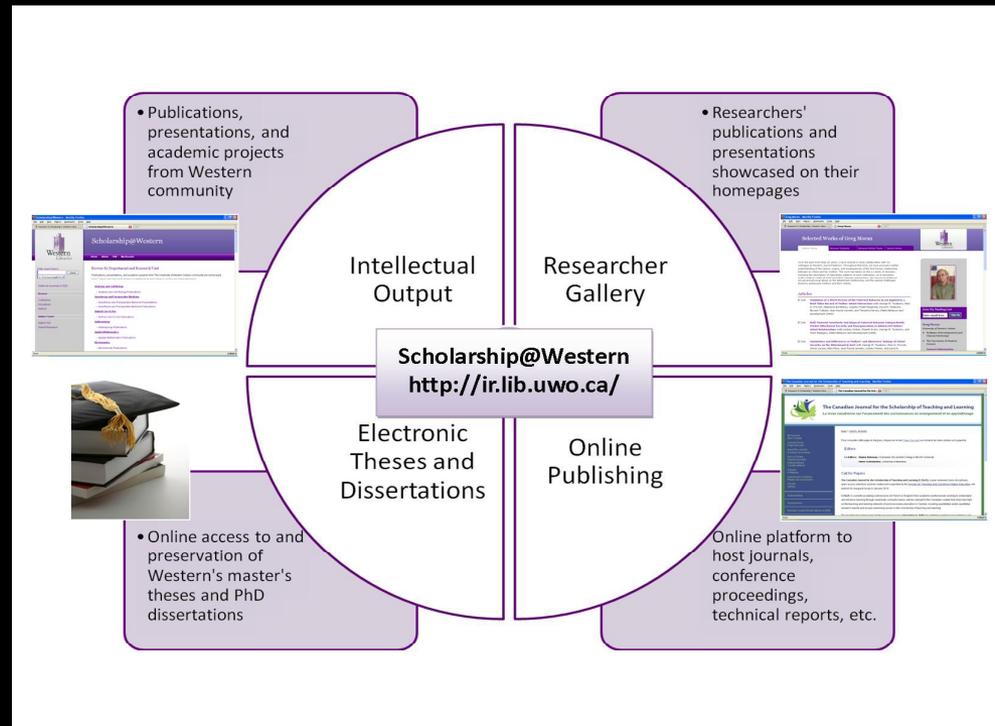
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Relevant resources are listed at the end.

Library Publishing Services at The University of Western Ontario

- Scholarship@Western launched in Dec. 2008



Policies

- Scholarly Communication Working Group created in Nov. 2008 to formulate policies
- ETD policy created and managed by Graduate Studies

Online Journal Publishing Policy

- A general policy
- Scholarly journals created or edited by faculty members at Western
- No focus on particular subject areas
- Oral agreement between the library and the journal

Journal Policies

- A list of questions to help journal editors develop policies
- Discussion of editorial workflow and practices
- Suggestions for copyright policy

Editorial and Publishing Process

- Editors' decisions, with input from the library
- Demo site for editors to become familiar with the publishing system (EdiKit) and to refine editorial practices
- Manual of the system viewed as the basic documentation
- No copyediting service from the library

Post-publishing Services

- ISSN and digital object identifiers
- Registration with [Directory of Open Access Journals](#) and [Open J-Gate](#)
- Journal present on [WorldCat.org](#)
- Assistance with marketing as appropriate

Indexing and Discoverability

- Editors to identify important indexes and databases in their disciplines
- Library to contact index and database vendors on behalf of the journal
- No licensing required for indexes (no full text involved)
- Licensing required for full-text databases

Archiving and Preservation

- Preference for archiving and preserving journals in Canada
- A member of OCUL (Ontario Council of University Libraries)
- OCUL's [Scholars Portal](#)

Lessons Learned

- Memorandum of understanding over responsibilities and liabilities between the library and the journal
- Education about the scholarly communication landscape for journal editors

Challenges

- Staffing
- Digitization of back issues
- Financial sustainability
- Journal continuity
- Marketing and visibility

Opportunities

- Integration of the library into the dissemination of scholarly content (for academic and research units on campus)
- Support for learning and research by publishing student journals
- Collaboration with departmental presses on campus

Opportunities

- Positive response to open access publishing
- Positive response to retention of author rights

Mentioned Resources

Directory of Open Access Journals

<http://www.doaj.org/>

Open J-Gate

<http://www.openj-gate.com/>

Scholars Portal

<http://www.scholarsportal.info/>

Scholarship@Western

<http://ir.lib.uwo.ca/>

WorldCat.org

<http://www.worldcat.org/>

Selected Resources

Columbia University Libraries' Sample Agreement for
Publication and Sharing of Rights

[http://cdrs.columbia.edu/cdrsmain/wp-content/uploads/2009/05/
sampleauthoragreement.pdf](http://cdrs.columbia.edu/cdrsmain/wp-content/uploads/2009/05/sampleauthoragreement.pdf)

Creative Commons Licenses

<http://creativecommons.org/licenses/>

Developing Open Access Journals: A Practical Guide

[http://www.developing-oa-journals.org/
Guide_to_developing_oa_journals.pdf](http://www.developing-oa-journals.org/Guide_to_developing_oa_journals.pdf)

Selected Resources

Developing Open Access Journals: Resources

<http://www.openaccesspublishing.org/materials.php>

Income Models for Open Access

<http://www.arl.org/sparc/publisher/incomemodels/imguide.shtml>

OASPA (Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association)
Member Code of Conduct

<http://oaspa.org/conduct.php>

Online Guide to Open Access Journals Publishing

<http://www.doaj.org/bpguide/>

Selected Resources

Promoting Positive Change and a Continuing Role for Scholarly Societies

<http://www.arl.org/sc/faculty/coi/coitalkpoints2009.shtml>

University of Michigan Libraries' Model Journal Publishing Agreement

http://www.lib.umich.edu/spo/agreements/author-journal_article_license.pdf

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