Publishing Trends: Open Access @ the University of Florida

**Presentation to the Faculty Senate
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Main Points

- Open-access in brief
- International/national initiatives and mandates at peer institutions
- Local Initiatives
- Questions/Discussion

Open Access Defined

- Open-access (OA) literature is
  - free of charge to readers
  - free of most copyright and licensing restrictions, and only requires the consent of, or attribution to, the author or copyright-holder
  - digital and online
    - Peter Suber, Focusing on open access http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/overview.htm

Why OA is so Important to Researchers

- Fast

- Available online

- Timely visibility, wider readership, higher citation rates

- Barriers to access negatively impact research

- Online access to federally-funded research will significantly increase the return on the public's investment in science

- IMPACT

Global and National Initiatives

- UNESCO: for the benefit of global knowledge flow, innovation and socio-economic development

- 2008 NIH mandate

- 2009 introduction of Federal Research Public Access Act (FRPAA)

- Other funding agencies also: Wellcome Trust and Canadian Institutes of Health Research

OA in Peer Institutions

- Many research universities have Open Access policies to submit peer-reviewed articles to **Institutional Repositories**.

- Some top-tiered Universities have OA publishing funds

The Need for Open Access

- Concept of "public access": taxpayers, federal agencies, and universities pay twice for funded research

- High costs of journals are now unsustainable

- Barriers to access are having a negative impact on research

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Steps Toward Open Access @ UF

- Promotion of the UF institutional repository

- Establishment an OA publishing fund

- Creation of a faculty-driven university-wide OA policy

The Institutional Repository @ UF

(IR @UF)

www.uflib.ufl.edu/ufir

The *IR@UF* at 1 Million!

- Journal articles
- Conference papers and proceedings
- Monographs and monograph series
- Technical reports
- Theses and dissertations
- White papers
- UF Journals and Other Publications
- Grant proposals
- University archives materials

Why Scholars Participate in the *IR@UF*?

To share research through:

- A permanent archive with stable links

- An open access repository compliant with digital library standards

One-Minute Video Demonstrating Self-Submittal

http://www.uflib.ufl.edu/digital/ir

UF Open Access Publishing Fund

NEW

The **Open Access Publishing Fund** supports making UF research findings immediately, freely and globally available through Open Access publishing.

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Pilot Project

- Began July 1, 2010

- Lasts 18-24 months

- $120,000 provided by Provost

- Does not replace grant or other funding for open access publishing

Eligible Authors

- UF faculty, staff and student authors and co-authors, including post-doctoral researchers

Eligible Articles

- Peer-reviewed research articles in Open Access and hybrid journals

Funding Levels

- Maximum of $3,000 per author per academic year

- Up to $3,000 per article to cover fees for publishing in open access journals

- Up to $1,500 per article to cover fees for open access publishing in paid access (hybrid) journals

Eligible Publications

- **Open Access Journals** and **Paid Access (Hybrid) Journals** Listed in the Directory of Open Access Journals and/or compliant with the Open Access Scholarly Publishers Association's Code of Conduct

www.doaj.org

Application Process

- The application form is on the OA website with the policies and procedures at **www.uflib.ufl.edu/oa**.

- Submit the completed application form and publisher invoice to the Libraries for payment.

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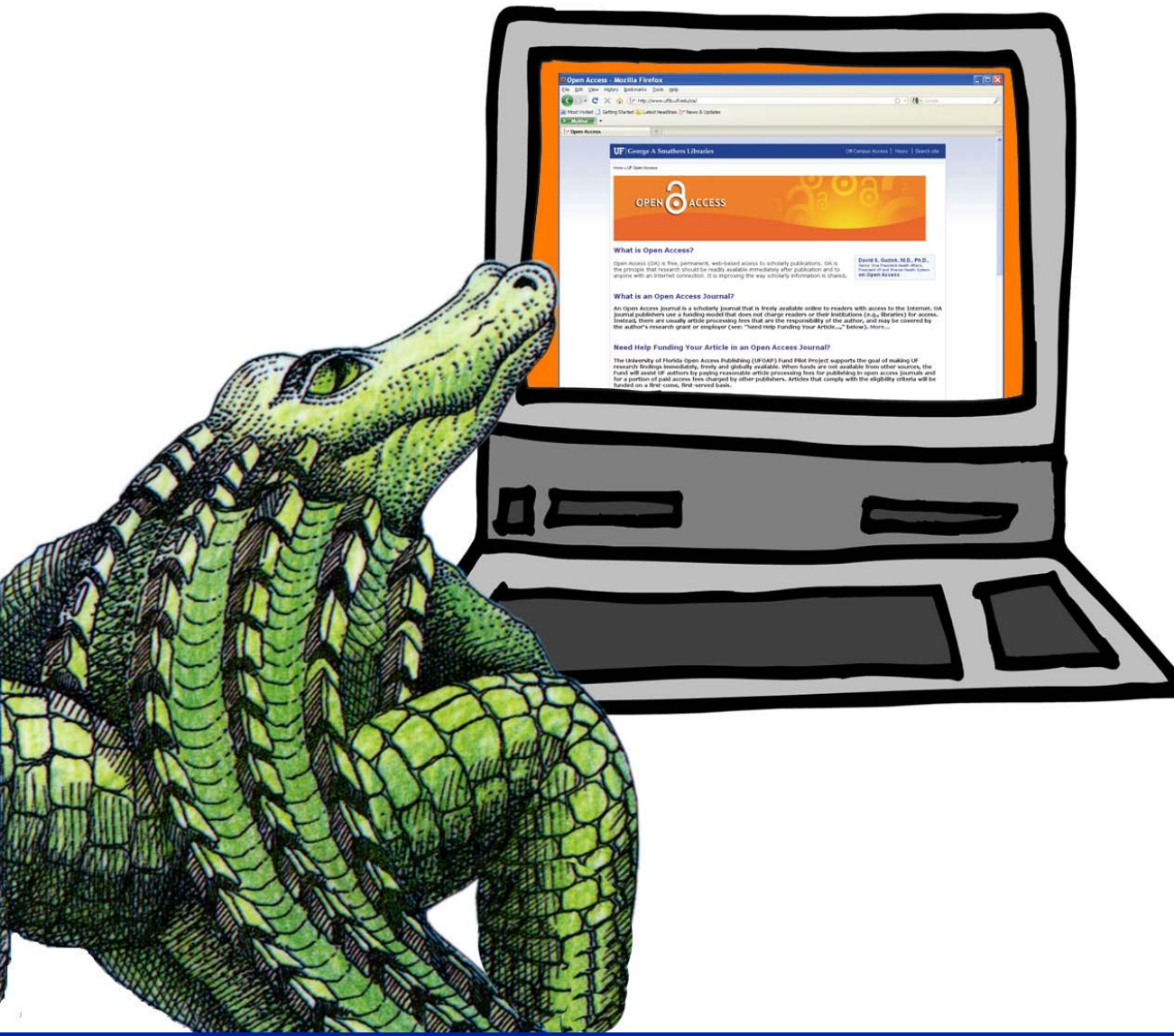
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Questions and Discussion