Journals Toolkit

Digital Commons provides tools that make journal publishing easy and efficient. The resources listed below are designed to provide helpful advice and concrete recommendations for getting started with open-access, electronic journal publishing.

Digital Commons Guides

Digital Commons Journal Customization Guide

▶ http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/reference/33

EdiKit™ Guide: Digital Commons Journals

▶ http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/reference/2

Video: Digital Commons Journal Design Tour

▶ http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/reference/59

Papers and Presentations

Publishing Journals in Digital Commons: Set-up, Launch, and Beyond

Wendy Robertson, University of Iowa

▶ http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/webinars/10

In this webinar, Wendy Robertson, Digital Resources Librarian at University of Iowa, discusses specific steps and provides valuable advice for publishing a journal in Digital Commons.

Library as Journal Publisher: Partnering with Faculty

Wendy Robertson, University of Iowa

▶ http://ir.uiowa.edu/lib_pubs/47

This presentation outlines some of the basics of publishing journals through the library, including discussions of policies and planning, working with editors, and planning for the future.

Open Access Journal Publishing at USF: How We Do It, Why We Do It

Todd A. Chavez, University of South Florida

▶ http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/webinars/20

In this webinar, Todd Chavez explains how his team has successfully launched or migrated eight open access journals, including some with a publishing history of more than 40 years.

Case Study on the Development of the International Journal of Exercise Science

Scott Lyons, Western Kentucky University

▶ http://works.bepress.com/scott_lyons/5

This document is a summary case study on the origination, development, marketing and on-going management of this library-hosted research journal.

Establishing Library Publishing: Best Practices for Creating Successful Journal Editors

Jean-Gabriel Bankier and Courtney Smith, bepress

▶ http://works.bepress.com/jean_gabriel_bankier/2

Based on interviews with librarians currently publishing journals using Digital Commons, the authors discuss the multiple roles of the librarian (promoter, facilitator, technical support, sustainer) in library-based publishing. They make valuable recommendations about how librarians can help to promote and sustain digital journals.

Ten Challenges for OA Journals

Peter Suber

▶ http://www.arl.org/sparc/publications/articles/ten-challenges-oa.shtml

Peter Suber addresses the ten biggest challenges facing open access journals and offers solutions and alternatives to these.

Sample Policies, Templates, and Checklists

New Journal Startup Guidelines

Macalester College

http://digitalcommons.macalester.edu/newjournal.pdf

UKnowledge Journal Proposal Form

Patricia Wilson, University of Kentucky

▶ http://uknowledge.uky.edu/uknowledge_docs/3

Memorandum of Understanding Sample Texts

▶ http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/collaboratory/20

Open Access E-Journal Hosting Agreement

Todd A. Chavez, University of South Florida

▶ http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/collaboratory/17

Journal of Western Archives Business Plan

Gordon Daines, Brigham Young University - Utah

▶ http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/collaboratory/4

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