Unlock the value of open content
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Open Access at Saint Mary’s College

Or...what we’re trying to do

• Library committee
  ○ Investigating action items and goals for library and campus
  ○ Embedding Open Access and Open Educational Resources into campus conversations
  ○ Writing whitepaper on OA and OER
Open Content at Saint Mary’s College

Open Access options
- Databases include OA journals
- DeliverOA, EmbedOA
- Unpaywall

Includes OER
- English Composition textbook out of print -
  - Look into OER
- Identify early adopters and stakeholders
Considerations for Open Content

Content varies

- Purchased Digital Commons
  - Store faculty profiles
  - Publish one open access journal
    - (Engaging Pedagogies in Catholic Higher Education)
- Working with vendors to display open content
- More and more databases displaying open content

Prioritizing content

- How would you display licensed content vs. open content?

https://digitalcommons.stmarys-ca.edu/
Goals for Open Content

● Team up! We can’t do it alone
● Help faculty understand the different OA publishing models and copyright
● Market library resources related to Open Content (Digital repository, librarian knowledge)
● Impact student retention and persistence
● Align Lasallian responsibility
  ○ Social justice with OA and OER
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What is Open at Portland State University Library?

From the Scholarly Publishing & Academic Resource Coalition (SPARC): “Open Access is the free, immediate, online availability of research articles combined with the rights to use these articles fully in the digital environment. Open Access is the needed modern update for the communication of research that fully utilizes the Internet for what it was originally built to do—accelerate research.”

Open Access at Portland State:

- Open Access research outputs promoted through LibGuides, A-Z listing of resources, & the catalog.
- PDXScholar & PDXOpen, make available locally created scholarly works from faculty & students.
- Data Management services are available to make data and other research products, such as lab notebooks, open to the public.
- Support open creation through nominal APC support.
Open Practice at Portland State University Library

• Our technologies group develops open source tools to promote content & services
• We’ve adopted a Library Faculty Publication OA Policy
• Research & Instruction faculty promote the use of Metrics Toolkit & other metrics for research assessment
• Digital Scholarship Team participates in OpenCon through faculty sponsorship & local events (OA week, regional OpenCons)
Open Practice at Portland State University Library

• Digital Initiatives (DI) works closely with faculty & departments to get material into PDXScholar
• DI accepts student work with approval of faculty & departments
• DI & Research & Instruction faculty promote OA content & OER adoption & use
• Research & Instruction faculty create LibGuides promoting use of OA content for topic guides & for post graduation use
• Working with faculty senate on OA Publications
Open Practice at Portland State University Library

• Bibliometrics are key component of content evaluation for collection and retention
• Use of OA content is also gauged when considering renegotiation of packages through using COUNTER statistics
• With ILL, access services makes use of the OA Button to discover access alternatives
• DI distributes an annual impact report
• Negotiate for OA provisions in creative ways
Best Practice for Open Practice

• Whole library/all library workers define what open means & develops open practices
• Collaborate with new partners
• Lead by example
• Open services can be scaffolded
• Promotion of open as leading to student success both currently & in the future
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What does “open” mean?
How OCLC defines open content

- Freely available
- Digital
- Accessible immediately and online
- Usable fully in a digital environment
- Inclusive of Public Domain where digital and available online
Why open content matters to us and the libraries we serve

Benefits
• Expanded collections
• Unlimited access
• Dissemination of knowledge
• Greater visibility for libraries
• Shift/lessen burden on budget

Challenges
• Access updates and broken links
• Hosting or platform changes
• Standards to identify
• Variations in editorial practices
Integration opportunities

• OA filter in WorldCat Discovery and WorldCat.org
  • 50M records (and growing!)

• Impactstory / Unpaywall partnership
  • Supports OA full text link validation
  • Creation of an Unpaywall collections

• ~400 open access collections in the WorldCat knowledge base (and growing!)

• New MARC 856 standard to flag Open Content!
Research and initiatives

• OCLC is proud to be a participant and voice in the Open Access movement alongside great associations and partners such as NISO’s ODI, COAR, SPARC, IIIF, ORCid, and DataCite.
• Open Content Survey
• MARC21 format changes to improve the designation of OA and license information.
• Stay up to date at oc.lc/open
Questions?
Thank you!

Because what is known must be shared.