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Why archive your scholarly works in UVicSpace?

Share your research with a global audience, faster, for increased citations and impact.

Be discovered through Google and Google Scholar. You can access full text online, and search full text within UVicSpace.

Promote yourself. Create a researcher page, including a bio, images and more—or link to your research from your personal website and reduce your server load.

Avoid broken links to your work with permanent web links.

Preserve your research and let the library manage your files safely and securely.

Comply with granting agency regulations

UVicSpace provides a venue for easy compliance with granting agency regulations. As of January 1, 2008, CIHR grants require researchers to make their peer-reviewed publications freely accessible through publisher websites or an online repository, like UVicSpace.

With this growing emphasis on public accountability and the openness of results and resources, it is probable that NSERC and SSHRC grants may have similar regulations in the future.

Find collaborative research partners

More and more, interdisciplinary and collaborative research receives the funds of granting agencies. With greater exposure and open accessibility, preserving scholarly works in UVicSpace facilitates discovery by future colleagues and research partners, both within UVic and from other institutions.

Increase your citations up to 250%!

While results vary between disciplines, several studies have shown a significant citation advantage for articles in open access venues like UVicSpace. A 2005 study showed an advantage of 25 – 250%* for open access articles compared to non-open access articles in the same discipline and year.

*Based on a study of over 1,300,000 articles from 1992-2003 in biology, psychology, sociology, health, political science, economics, law, business and management. (Hajjem, Harnard, and Gingras, “Ten-year cross-disciplinary comparison of the growth of open access and how it increases research citation impact.” IEEE Data Engineering Bulletin, Vol. 28 No. 4, December 2005, 8pp.)
What about Copyright?

We always respect copyright—both the publisher’s and your own.

Many publishers already allow “self-archiving” of peer-reviewed journal articles in institutional repositories. This may be a pre-print (before peer review), post-print (after peer review) or the publisher’s final, formatted copy.

Library staff will advise you on specific copyright issues, or you can check www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo.php, a website of publisher’s self-archiving policies.

No copyright is transferred when you store your work in UVicSpace. Instead, you sign a non-exclusive agreement to allow UVicSpace to distribute and preserve your research.

Own full copyright to a work? Append it with an optional Creative Commons Canada license to allow some pre-defined uses by others.

Reliable, Quick & Easy

Managed jointly by UVic Libraries and UVic Information Systems, UVicSpace is as reliable and secure as possible on UVic servers.

Submitting your work to UVicSpace takes about as long as sending an email and is almost as simple. Visit UVicSpace for step-by-step instructions or contact us for guidance and support.

Don’t have the time, but still want to contribute?

Contact us for options about assisted submission. Let nothing be a barrier to the access—and impact—of your research!

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