

University Libraries Faculty Open Access Policy University of Colorado Boulder

In response to a call for open access to the scholarly literature from the student body and faculty of the University of Colorado Boulder¹, efforts to provide public access to taxpayer-funded research at the federal level², and a belief in widespread access to high quality information as a fundamental value of the profession of librarianship, the faculty of the University Libraries of the University of Colorado Boulder (the Libraries) adopts the following policy:

In order to allow for broad dissemination of their research, the Libraries faculty grant to The Regents of the University of Colorado, a body corporate, on behalf of the University of Colorado Boulder Libraries a nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license to exercise any and all rights under copyright relating to their scholarly work, as long as the works are properly attributed to the authors and not used for commercial purposes. The nonexclusive nature of this license allows faculty to retain full ownership of the material, including the right to further publish it where they wish.

Libraries faculty shall inform publishers about this policy and that they have granted a pre-existing License. This policy with the Libraries may serve to help negotiate with publishers that require an exclusive right to publish.

Libraries faculty will provide the Libraries with electronic copies of the final version of the author's peer-reviewed manuscript or published version of their scholarly work in an appropriate format (e.g., PDF). These copies will be made publicly available via the University of Colorado Boulder's institutional repository. Faculty will affirm the grant of the license described above upon submission of their work.

This policy applies only to scholarly work that is journal articles and conference proceedings authored or co-authored by current faculty after the date of adoption of this policy. Faculty are also encouraged to provide the Libraries with electronic copies of other types of scholarly work as appropriate.

The Dean of the Libraries or the Dean's designate will waive application of this policy upon written request from faculty for any reason. In cases where a publisher will not allow dissemination of the final version of an article, faculty are encouraged to provide the Libraries with a version (e.g., pre-print or post-print) that can be made openly accessible under the publisher's policy.

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¹ BFA/UGGS Resolution to Provide Open Access to Research and Scholarly Information:
<http://ucblibraries.colorado.edu/ScholarlyCommunications/oa/oaresolution.htm>

²White House Office of Science and Technology Policy memorandum from February 22, 2013:
http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/microsites/ostp/ostp_public_access_memo_2013.pdf