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Open Access and Digital Repositories

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What is Open Access?

"Open access (OA) literature is digital, online, free of charge, and free of most copyright and licensing restrictions."

From Open Access by Peter Suber.

Why Should You Care?

- Most databases and journals require a subscription for access
 - Most research is published in subscription-based resources
- Research becomes increasingly difficult without access to these resources
- Costs for these resources continue to go up

What Can You Do?

- Talk with professors and colleagues about publishing in OA journals/publications
 - "Gold" Open Access
- Upload works into open digital repositories
 - "Green" Open Access

The Role of Repositories in Open Access

- Maximize the visibility and impact of institutions' research
- Showcase institutions' research to prospective students, faculty, and researchers
- Enable and encourage interdisciplinary research
- Support student endeavours around the world

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