132 responses

Summary
See complete responses
Which category best describes you?

- Instructor: 10, 8%
- Assistant Professor: 30, 23%
- Associate Professor: 36, 27%
- Professor: 29, 22%
- Lecturer: 11, 8%
- Visiting Faculty Member: 2, 2%
- Graduate Assistant / TA: 2, 2%
- PostDoc: 3, 2%
- Emeritus: 3, 2%
- Other: 6, 5%
What is your primary work location? (College, Department, other)

- College of Adult & Lifelong Learning: 1 (1%)
- College of Business & Innovation: 10 (8%)
- College of Communication and the Arts: 3 (2%)
- College of Education: 5 (4%)
- College of Engineering: 4 (3%)
- College of Health Sciences: 11 (8%)
- College of Languages, Literature & Social Sciences: 22 (17%)
- College of Law: 0 (0%)
- College of Medicine and Life Sciences: 21 (16%)
- College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics: 25 (19%)
- College of Nursing: 8 (6%)
- College of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences: 9 (7%)
- College of Social Justice & Human Service: 3 (2%)
- Honors College: 2 (2%)
- University Libraries: 3 (2%)
- Other: 6 (5%)

People may select more than one checkbox, so percentages may add up to more than 100%.
PART I. Open Access Questions. Please give us a sense of your existing views and experience regarding open access publishing.

It's OK if you're not sure what open access (OA) publishing is. Just answer the best you can, based on your experiences.

Your views about OA Publishing*

- Traditional subscription-based publishing is the only legitimate form of publishing to further research. 6 (5%)
- Publishing in traditional subscription-based journals is the preferred form of publishing to further research. 15 (11%)
- There is a place for the open access model for certain types of publishing (i.e., non-scholarly publishing). 18 (14%)
- Open access publishing has the potential to work as a legitimate form of publishing for furthering research. 64 (48%)
- Open access publishing is the preferred form of publishing for furthering research. 18 (14%)
- I don't know enough about open access publishing to indicate my views. 11 (8%)
Your experiences with OA publishing

- I am aware of OA journals, such as can be found in the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)
- I am aware of OA repositories, such as the Social Science Research Network (SSRN), or PubMed Central (PMC)
- I am aware of colleagues who have published in OA journals or platforms
- I have consulted OA publications in the process of doing my own research
- I have published an article in an OA journal
- I have deposited an article or other work into an OA repository (disciplinary or institutional)
- I have served as a referee or editor for an OA publication
- With regard to research that I am currently involved with, I would consider submitting my work to an OA publishing venue (journal or repository)
- Other

People may select more than one checkbox, so percentages may add up to more than 100%.
How important are the following concepts to you in general when considering a publishing venue? - Publishing in the most highly ranked journals in my field

- not important: 1 (1%)
- somewhat important: 13 (10%)
- neutral or N/A: 13 (10%)
- important: 47 (36%)
- very important: 58 (44%)

- Bar chart showing the distribution of responses.
How important are the following concepts to you in general when considering a publishing venue? - Getting my work out as quickly as possible

- not important: 8 (6%)
- somewhat important: 13 (10%)
- neutral or N/A: 23 (17%)
- important: 64 (48%)
- very important: 24 (18%)
How important are the following concepts to you in general when considering a publishing venue? - Making my work available to as wide a readership as possible

- not important: 6 (5%)
- somewhat important: 6 (5%)
- neutral or N/A: 21 (16%)
- important: 63 (48%)
- very important: 36 (27%)
How important are the following concepts to you in general when considering a publishing venue? - Publishing in the most appropriate journal for my discipline

- not important: 3 (2%)
- somewhat important: 2 (2%)
- neutral or N/A: 7 (5%)
- important: 52 (39%)
- very important: 68 (52%)
How important are the following concepts to you in general when considering a publishing venue? - Being published in a peer-reviewed journal

- not important: 4 (3%)
- somewhat important: 1 (1%)
- neutral or N/A: 4 (3%)
- important: 30 (23%)
- very important: 93 (70%)
How important are the following concepts to you in general when considering a publishing venue? - The ability to publish frequent updates to my ongoing research

- **not important**
  - 33 (25%)

- **somewhat important**
  - 15 (11%)

- **neutral or N/A**
  - 43 (33%)

- **important**
  - 30 (23%)

- **very important**
  - 11 (8%)
How concerned are you with the following issues that you might encounter in an OA publishing environment? - copyright / protection of the intellectual property of my work

- not concerned: 23 (17%)
- somewhat concerned: 23 (17%)
- neutral or N/A: 25 (19%)
- concerned: 40 (30%)
- very concerned: 21 (16%)
How concerned are you with the following issues that you might encounter in an OA publishing environment? - disclosure of data that may be time-sensitive, privileged or proprietary

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How concerned are you with the following issues that you might encounter in an OA publishing environment? - permanence / stability / unambiguity of the final published version of my work

- not concerned: 11 (8%)
- somewhat concerned: 15 (11%)
- neutral or N/A: 23 (17%)
- concerned: 49 (37%)
- very concerned: 34 (26%)
How concerned are you with the following issues that you might encounter in an OA publishing environment? - formal recognition of my work as a scholarly product (i.e., for promotion/tenure purposes)

- not concerned: 11 (8%)
- somewhat concerned: 4 (3%)
- neutral or N/A: 10 (8%)
- concerned: 42 (32%)
- very concerned: 65 (49%)
How concerned are you with the following issues that you might encounter in an OA publishing environment? - discoverability of my work in search engines / indexes / databases / repositories

- not concerned: 17 (13%)
- somewhat concerned: 6 (5%)
- neutral or N/A: 13 (10%)
- concerned: 57 (43%)
- very concerned: 39 (30%)
How concerned are you with the following issues that you might encounter in an OA publishing environment? - financial burden associated with OA publishing (who is responsible for covering this cost? author? institution? funding agency?)

- not concerned 13 10%
- somewhat concerned 9 7%
- neutral or N/A 23 17%
- concerned 47 36%
- very concerned 40 30%
How concerned are you with the following issues that you might encounter in an OA publishing environment? - legitimacy of intended publisher (is it really OA? is it a vanity publisher? is it a scam?)

- not concerned: 4 (3%)
- somewhat concerned: 14 (11%)
- neutral or N/A: 14 (11%)
- concerned: 38 (29%)
- very concerned: 62 (47%)

**PART II. Institutional Repository (IR) Questions**

An institutional repository (IR) collects, preserves and increases the visibility of the intellectual and creative output of a university's faculty, researchers and students. What would you like to see an IR do at The University of Toledo? To the best of your understanding, please indicate your opinion for the following eight (8) statements. For IR roles/activities we have not listed, please indicate your thoughts in the general comments section at the end of this survey. To see what other universities are doing with their institutional repositories, please visit: digitalcommons.bepress.com/subscriber_gallery (link will be provided again at survey completion).
1. Archive and make freely available UT faculty research (accepted/post peer-reviewed but unpublished versions of commercially published articles; original research)

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3. Serve as the archive and local backup copy for UT theses and dissertations

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4. Archive and make freely available graduate student non-thesis/dissertation research (projects, portfolios, capstones, etc.)

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5. Archive and make freely available undergraduate student research

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7. Serve as a publishing platform for original research at UT (any level)

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Please tell us more about your experiences and views overall. What are your thoughts or concerns about open access publishing, the funding of open access publishing, or institutional repositories?
I've not had much experience with this other than publishing my dissertation. OA has great potential—but like the Wild, Wild West, anything goes at the moment. I am concerned with Intellectual Property Rights especially related to international situations. I worry that research and copyrighted documents will be plagiarized. An IR is no substitute for peer-reviewed publications, and has no legitimacy as a venue for “publishing” faculty research. But it may be a good place for housing other documents, such as conference presentations and work that will not be published and would otherwise be in…...

~OPTIONAL~ Enter your contact information ONLY IF you wish to be considered for a prize drawing.

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Thank you for taking our survey!
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