

## **Bucknell University**

### **Faculty Scholarly Communications Practices Study**

#### **Online Survey Consent Page**

##### **Introduction**

**You are invited to be a participant in a research study that examines the scholarly communications and publishing practices of Bucknell University faculty members. Please read this page carefully before agreeing to participate in the study. This study is being conducted by the Research Services Group of the Bertrand Library.**

##### **Purpose of this Research**

**The purpose of this study is to obtain an author-centered understanding of the processes involved in the creation and dissemination of scholarly research publications and to identify unmet faculty needs within these processes. The research findings will be used to inform decision-making at the Bertrand Library and to adjust the library's services and resources to better serve faculty needs.**

##### **Procedures**

**You will be asked a series of survey questions about your publications experiences and practices.**

**All the survey questions are optional. You may choose not to answer a particular question and you may stop taking the survey at any time.**

##### **Duration and Scope**

**The survey will take approximately 15-20 minutes. All Bucknell faculty members have been invited to participate.**

##### **Voluntary Nature of the Study**

**Participation in this study is completely voluntary. Your decision whether or not to participate will in no way impact your relationships with the Bertrand Library, Library & IT services, Bucknell University, or any of their representatives. If you decide to participate in this study, you are free to withdraw from the study at any time.**

## **Risks and Benefits**

**We do not anticipate any risks to be associated with this study.**

**There are no direct benefits to you for participating in this research activity, and you will not be compensated for your participation. However, your input will be analyzed with that of other participants to improve library services for all Bucknell University faculty members.**

## **Confidentiality**

**The records of this study will be kept strictly confidential. The survey does not collect personal identifying information and there is no way for the researchers to link survey answers to individual participants. The results from the survey will be stored on a password-protected server at Bucknell University that is accessible only by members of the research team.**

## **Contacts and Questions**

**The researchers conducting this study are Andrew Asher, Nancy Frazier, Kathleen McQuiston Debra Sarlin, James Van Fleet, and Judy Zebrowski. If you have any questions, you may contact the study's Principal Investigator, Andrew Asher, by phone: 570-577-3378, or email: [andrew.asher@bucknell.edu](mailto:andrew.asher@bucknell.edu).**

**If you have questions or concerns regarding this study and your rights as a participant, or would like to speak with someone other than the researchers, you may contact Abe Feuerstein, Institutional Review Board Chair, Bucknell University, by phone: 570-577-3293, or email: [abe.feuerstein@bucknell.edu](mailto:abe.feuerstein@bucknell.edu).**

## **Statement of Consent**

**By selecting "Yes," I indicate that I understand the procedures of this study and agree to participate. I understand the information that I provide is confidential and will be used for research purposes only. I understand that my participation is voluntary and that I may withdraw at any time without penalty. If I have any concerns about my experience in this study (e.g. that I was treated unfairly or felt unnecessarily threatened), I may contact the Chair of the Institutional Review Board regarding my concerns.**

- Yes, I agree to participate.
- No, I decline to participate.

**2) What is your academic discipline?**

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**3) What is your current academic rank?**

- Visiting Assistant Professor/other non-tenure-track position
- Assistant Professor
- Associate Professor
- Professor
- Other (please specify)

If you selected other, please specify

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**4) When did you complete your highest academic degree?**

- Less than 5 years ago
- 5-10 years ago
- More than 10 years ago

**5) In general, how would you rate the health of scholarly communications in your discipline?**

- No changes need to be made
- Some minor changes need to be made
- Substantial changes need to be made

**6) Do you currently serve as an editor for any journals?**

- Yes
- No

**7) If yes, with which journals do you currently serve as an editor?**

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**8) Do you serve on the editorial board of any journals?**

- Yes
- No

**9) If yes, with which journals do you serve on the editorial board?**

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**10) When choosing a venue to submit your work for publication, how important are the following factors:**

|   | Very Important        | Somewhat Important    | Not Important         |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| The journal or book publisher's reputation                            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The journal's impact factor   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The publication venue's weight in tenure and promotion considerations | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| My ability to retain the copyright of my article                      | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| My ability to place a pre-publication version of my work on a website | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| My ability to place the published version of my work on a website     | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The publication venue's open access policy                            | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| A publication venue's non-profit status                               | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Speed of publication  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

**11) Of these factors, which one is the most important to you in choosing a venue for your work?**

- The journal or book publisher's reputation
- The journal's impact factor
- The publication venue's weight in tenure and promotion considerations
- My ability to retain the copyright of my article
- My ability to publish a pre-publication version of my work on a website
- My ability to put the published version of my work on a website
- The journal's open access policy
- A publication venue's non-profit status
- Speed of publication

**12) Do you feel that online-only peer-reviewed publications are acceptable in tenure review?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know
- No Opinion

Additional comments

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**13) Do you feel that open access journals are acceptable publication venues in tenure review?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know
- No Opinion

Additional comments

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**14) Are citation/impact factors used in your departments tenure/promotion review?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

Additional comments

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**15) How would you rate your interest in copyright issues and policies?**

- Extremely Interested
- Very Interested
- Somewhat Interested
- Not Very Interested
- Not Interested At All

**16) How would you rate your knowledge about copyright issues and policies?**

- Extremely Knowledgeable
- Very Knowledgeable
- Somewhat Knowledgeable
- Not Very Knowledgeable
- Not Knowledgeable At All

**17) How would you rate your interest in open access issues and policies?**

- Extremely Interested
- Very Interested
- Somewhat Interested
- Not Very Interested
- Not Interested At All

**18) How would you rate your knowledge about open access issues and policies?**

- Extremely Knowledgeable
- Very Knowledgeable
- Somewhat Knowledgeable
- Not Very Knowledgeable
- Not Knowledgeable At All

**19) Do any open access mandates apply to your research funding?**

- National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- Other (please specify)

If you selected other, please specify

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**For questions 20-25, please count all publications in which a final version has been accepted, even if it has not yet appeared in print.**

**20) How many peer-reviewed journal articles did you have accepted for publication in the last 12 months?**

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**21) How many non-peer-reviewed articles did you have accepted for publication in the last 12 months?**

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**22) How many book chapters did you have accepted for publication in the last 12 months?**

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**23) How many single-authored or co-authored books did you have accepted for publication in the last 12 months?**

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**24) How many books that you edited or co-edited did you have accepted for publication in the last 12 months?**

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**25) How many working papers did you author in the last 12 months?**

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**26) How many conference papers did you present in the last 12 months?**

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**27) In what other venues do you present your work (e.g. gallery exhibitions, films, performances, etc.)?**

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**28) What journals did you publish in during the last 12 months?**

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**29) Additional comments:**

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**For the last peer-reviewed article you published, please answer the following questions:**

**30) In what discipline would you classify the article?**

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**31) In what journal or publication was the article published?**

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**32) Is this journal an open access publication?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**33) Does the library subscribe to this publication?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**34) Do this journal's publishing policies allow self-archiving?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**35) Did you post a copy of this article in:**

|                                      | Yes                   | No                    |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| A disciplinary repository?           | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Bucknell's institutional repository? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Another institution's repository?    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| A departmental or personal website?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

**36) If you posted a copy of the article in a disciplinary repository or a repository at another institution, please indicate the repository:**

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**37) Did your author's agreement for this article allow you to retain any of the following rights?**

|   | Yes                   | No                    | Don't Know            |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| The right to redistribute the work?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The right to re-publish the work?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The right to reproduce the work for a course?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The right to self-archive the work?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| If you answered yes to any of the above, did you have to negotiate with the publisher to obtain these rights? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

**38) Did you add any addendums to your author's agreement?**

- Yes
- No

**39) If yes, what addendum?**

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**40) For this article, did you pay any of the following fees?  
(Please indicate Yes/No. If yes, enter the amount if known)**

A processing fee? \_\_\_\_\_

A page fee? \_\_\_\_\_

An open access fee? \_\_\_\_\_

Other fees? \_\_\_\_\_



**For the second to last peer-reviewed article you published, please answer the following questions:**

**41) In what discipline would you classify the article?**

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**42) In what journal or publication was the article published?**

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**43) Is this journal an open access publication?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**44) Does the library subscribe to this publication?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**45) Do this journal's publishing policies allow self-archiving?**

- Yes
- No
- Don't Know

**46) Did you post a copy of this article in:**

|                                      | Yes                   | No                    |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| A disciplinary repository?           | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Bucknell's institutional repository? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| Another institution's repository?    | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| A departmental or personal website?  | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

**47) If you posted a copy of the article in a disciplinary repository or a repository at another institution, please indicate the repository:**

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**48) Did your author's agreement for this article allow you to retain any of the following rights?**

|   | Yes                   | No                    | Don't Know            |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| The right to redistribute the work?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The right to re-publish the work?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The right to reproduce the work for a course?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The right to self-archive the work?   | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| If you answered yes to any of the above, did you have to negotiate with the publisher to obtain these rights? | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

**49) Did you add any addendums to your author's agreement?**

- Yes
- No

**50) If yes, what addendum?**

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**51) For this article, did you pay any of the following fees?  
(Please indicate Yes/No. If yes, enter the amount if known)**

A processing fee? \_\_\_\_\_

A page fee? \_\_\_\_\_

An open access fee? \_\_\_\_\_

Other fees? \_\_\_\_\_