Assessment Tools

Author Fund - Survey

Please take a few minutes to answer the questions below. Your opinion and feedback about the Author Fund will be helpful in evaluating different elements of this new initiative. Thank you.

Questions about the Author Fund

1. How did you learn about the Author Fund
Please select all applicable answers

☐ University announcement

☐ Open access Web site

☐ Article in The Gazette

☐ Communication from the library

☐ Communication from your faculty or department

☐ Other: [_____]

2. In your opinion, the Fund's eligibility criteria are:
Please select one answer

○ Too restrictive

○ Restrictive enough

○ Not restrictive enough

○ Open and fair

○ No opinion

○ Other: [_____]

3. What changes, if any, would you make to the Fund's eligibility criteria?

[text box]

4. Please rate your level of satisfaction with each of the following steps relating to applying for and obtaining funding.

	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Very dissatisfied	N/A or no opinion
Online information about the Fund	○	○	○	○	○
Online application	○	○	○	○	○

process

Communication with the library	○	○	○	○	○
Reimbursement process	○	○	○	○	○

5. How would you improve the administration of the Fund?

6. How can the University further support open access?

Questions about scholarly communication

7. How important are the following elements when selecting a publishing venue?

	Very important	Quite important	Somewhat important	Not important	N/A or no opinion
Reputation of the journal	○	○	○	○	○
Reputation of a journal's editorial board	○	○	○	○	○
Journal's impact factor	○	○	○	○	○
Online manuscript submission process	○	○	○	○	○
Speed of peer-review process	○	○	○	○	○
Journal's readership	○	○	○	○	○
Author rights (retention of copyright, for instance)	○	○	○	○	○
Level of access to the journal's content	○	○	○	○	○

8. Have you ever published in an open access journal or paid an open access fee to a hybrid journal?

○ Yes

○ No

9. Why did you choose to publish your article in an open access or hybrid journal?

Demographic questions

Please answer the following questions to help us gain a better understanding of who has received funding.

10. Gender

Please select your gender

11. Age

Please select your age range

12. Status

Please select your status

13. Department or Research Institute

Please indicate your department or research institute

14. Which of these roles have you undertaken in the past year?

Please select all applicable answers

☐ Author of journal articles

☐ Referee for journal articles

☐ Editorial board member

☐ Journal editor

☐ Other:

Scholcom Survey for Liaison Librarians

1. Please rate your current knowledge, skills, and abilities in the following areas:

	Know very little	Know enough to get by	Feel pretty confident	N/A
Can explain what open access is, and why it is important	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain that OA is compatible with copyright, peer review, revenue, print, preservation, prestige, quality, career-advancement, indexing, and other features and supportive services associated with conventional scholarly literature	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain why authors should try to retain the rights to share their work	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain what an author's options are for making their work open access: the green (repository) and gold (OA journal) routes	◯	◯	◯	◯
Have an understanding of open access/public access policies	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain how the Libraries can help make their (Faculty and grad students') work open access	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain how the Libraries can help subsidize author fees	◯	◯	◯	◯
Have a working knowledge of how to deposit items into YorkSpace	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain what makes repositories different from regular websites	◯	◯	◯	◯
Possess a basic understanding of copyright law related to scholarly communication issues.	◯	◯	◯	◯
Possess a basic understanding of a variety of publishing models	◯	◯	◯	◯
Aware of scholarly communications practices and issues in your discipline(s)	◯	◯	◯	◯

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2. Please indicate your interest in learning more about these areas:

	Low priority	Medium priority	High priority	Not sure
Can explain what open access is, and why it is important	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain that OA is compatible with copyright, peer review, revenue, print, preservation, prestige, quality, career-advancement, indexing, and other features and supportive services associated with conventional scholarly literature	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain why authors should try to retain the rights to share their work	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain what an author's options are for making their work open access: the green (repository) and gold (OA journal) routes	◯	◯	◯	◯
Have an understanding of open access/public access policies	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain how the Libraries can help make their (Faculty and grad students') work open access	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain how the Libraries can help subsidize author fees	◯	◯	◯	◯
Have a working knowledge of how to deposit items into YorkSpace	◯	◯	◯	◯
Can explain what makes repositories different from regular websites	◯	◯	◯	◯
Possess a basic understanding of copyright law related to scholarly communication issues.	◯	◯	◯	◯
Possess a basic understanding of a variety of publishing models	◯	◯	◯	◯
Aware of scholarly communications practices and issues in your discipline(s)	◯	◯	◯	◯

3. Anything we missed? Comments? Thanks for your input!

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