

Swansea University Library Research Support Team

We support the university's mission of research excellence by providing high-level expertise on the changing modes of scholarly publishing and communication, and the use of bibliometrics, in order to help ensure wider visibility and impact of Swansea University's research. We also support the university's Research Excellence Framework (REF) submission and the institutional repository. We are based in the library (LIC) on the Singleton Park Campus but work across both campuses.

Areas of Activity

We support the university's commitment to open access in the following areas:

REF & Open Access

- ★ Supporting the Research Excellence Framework (REF) open access policy and reporting on compliance
- ★ Supporting researchers to comply with funder policies and open access publishing requirements
- ★ Supporting researchers with licensing agreements for open access publishing
- ★ Promoting the university's green open access policy
- ★ Supporting the work of the REF Strategy Office on the university's submission of REF Outputs

Funding & Open Access

- ★ Manage the administration of the UKRI Open Access fund
- ★ Administering institutional publisher deals and arrangements for open access publishing, such as the Springer Compact agreement
- ★ Monitor data and report OA compliance to research funding bodies when required
- ★ Keeping up with national and international initiatives, such as the work of JISC, WHELF & relevant projects around open access

E-Theses & Copyright

- ★ Providing open access e-theses mediated deposit, including copyright support and Training
- ★ Issue DOIs for theses

Institutional Repository

- ★ Supporting and guiding the development of the Research Information System (RIS) via the RIS Development Strategy Group
- ★ Providing front-line support, guidance and training for RIS and Cronfa

Scholarly Communications

- ★ Promote researcher engagement with open access and scholarly communication, including development of institutional policies and strategies in these areas.
- ★ We provide support and guidance on copyright for staff and students
- ★ Copyright clearance enquiries, including rights clearance matters and related areas
- ★ Advising on publication strategies, such as deciding where to publish and impact factors
- ★ Issue ISBNs

Bibliometrics & Research Impact

- ★ Managing ORCID institutional membership; promoting & reporting on its use
- ★ Develop and deliver research support training covering areas such as research promotion, social media, altmetrics, bibliometrics, citations, SCOPUS and other databases, and other developing and relevant areas
- ★ We work with others across the university to use SciVal for citation analysis to support the university's impact agenda and publication strategies, including creating entities

Postgraduate Research Support

We work with the library subject teams and the Postgraduate Office to

- ★ Coordinate the library's contributions to the Skills Development programme
- ★ Provide training and guidance on all areas of our team's activity, particularly E-Theses
- ★ Provide advocacy on library support for Postgraduate Research students

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