

# **The Rutgers Open Access Policy and SOAR (Scholarly Open Access at Rutgers, [soar.rutgers.edu](http://soar.rutgers.edu))**

*The Rutgers University Senate, on October 19, 2012, overwhelmingly passed a resolution to*

**“establish, in consultation with University Counsel, a University-wide Open Access policy wherein Rutgers faculty and scholars, including graduate students and postdoctoral researchers, shall provide open access to all works that are produced without expectation of payment, subject to waivers and embargoes upon request by an individual author for a specific work. ...”**

*In practice, this means*

**Rutgers authors deposit legal copies of scholarly articles into SOAR ([soar.rutgers.edu](http://soar.rutgers.edu))  
at the time of the article’s final acceptance for publication, at no cost to them,  
making scholarship freely accessible to readers and researchers worldwide on the Internet.  
SOAR is a service of RUcore, the University’s institutional repository.**

**Open Access at Rutgers showcases University scholarship in one place,  
preserves access over time, allows authors to retain rights to their works,  
and ensures greater visibility and impact for Rutgers research worldwide.**

*❧ The Policy went into effect September 1, 2015 ❧*

## **OPEN ACCESS AND THE RUTGERS MISSION**

Responsibility of a public research university  
Greater visibility for Rutgers scholarship  
Facilitates Rutgers strategic goals of greater international impact and collaboration  
Builds on earlier Rutgers OA initiatives, including Electronic Theses & Dissertations  
Responds to NIH and other outside funder mandates  
Aligns Rutgers with AAU colleague institutions

### **OPEN ACCESS POLICY AT RUTGERS**

- Found in Rutgers Policy Library
- For all Rutgers faculty, doctoral students, & postdocs
- Scholarly articles, conference papers, etc.
- Prospectively applied from September 1, 2015
- Accommodates disciplinary differences
- Embargoes, opt-outs and waivers for any given article
- Rutgers and authors retain some rights
- Focus on public access for readers/researchers

### **SOAR (Scholarly Open Access at Rutgers)**

- Simple and easy for authors
- Crawled by Google
- Disseminates Rutgers research sooner
- Demonstrates impact through usage statistics
- Provides permanent links (DOIs) authors can use
- Links supplementary data with publications
- SOAR staff researches publisher permissions
- A service of RUcore, the institutional repository

**If you’d like, check your journal or publisher policies at SHERPA/RoMEO: [www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo](http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo)**

## SELECTED OPEN ACCESS POLICY INSTITUTIONS & THEIR REPOSITORIES

Duke University (DukeSpace)	<a href="http://dukespace.lib.duke.edu/dspace">dukespace.lib.duke.edu/dspace</a>
Emory University (OpenEmory)	<a href="http://open.library.emory.edu">open.library.emory.edu</a>
Harvard University (DASH)	<a href="http://dash.harvard.edu">dash.harvard.edu</a>
Mass. Institute of Technology (DSpace@MIT)	<a href="http://dspace.mit.edu">dspace.mit.edu</a>
Princeton University	<a href="http://oar.princeton.edu/jspui/">http://oar.princeton.edu/jspui/</a>
Rice University (Digital Scholarship Archive)	<a href="http://scholarship.rice.edu">scholarship.rice.edu</a>
Stanford University School of Education (Stanford Digital Repository)	<a href="http://library.stanford.edu/research/stanford-digital-repository">library.stanford.edu/research/stanford-digital-repository</a>
University of California (entire system) (eScholarship)	<a href="http://escholarship.org">escholarship.org</a>
University of Kansas (KUScholarWorks)	<a href="http://kuscholarworks.ku.edu">kuscholarworks.ku.edu</a>

*Rutgers is a member of the Coalition of Open Access Policy Institutions (COAPI), <https://sparcopen.org/coapi/>*

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### RESOURCES

<b>SOAR (Scholarly Open Access at Rutgers)</b>	<a href="http://soar.rutgers.edu">soar.rutgers.edu</a>
<b>Open Access Overview</b>	<a href="http://earlham.edu/~peters/fos/overview.htm">earlham.edu/~peters/fos/overview.htm</a>
<b>Open Access by Peter Suber (MIT Press)</b>	<a href="http://mitpress.mit.edu/books/open-access">mitpress.mit.edu/books/open-access</a>
<b>Budapest Open Access Initiative</b>	<a href="http://budapestopenaccessinitiative.org">budapestopenaccessinitiative.org</a>
<b>SPARC on Open Access</b>	<a href="http://arl.org/sparc/openaccess/index.shtml">arl.org/sparc/openaccess/index.shtml</a>
<b>Open Access Citation Advantage: summary of studies</b>	<a href="http://sparceurope.org/oaca">http://sparceurope.org/oaca</a>
<b>RUcore, the Rutgers institutional repository</b>	<a href="http://rucore.libraries.rutgers.edu">rucore.libraries.rutgers.edu</a>
<b>RUresearch data portal in RUcore</b>	<a href="http://rucore.libraries.rutgers.edu/research">rucore.libraries.rutgers.edu/research</a>

**For the full Senate Open Access Subcommittee report, including draft policy and resolution, go to**  
[senate.rutgers.edu/RGPEConS1103onOpenAccessOctober2012.pdf](http://senate.rutgers.edu/RGPEConS1103onOpenAccessOctober2012.pdf)  
**or go to the Rutgers Open Access Policy webpage**  
[www.libraries.rutgers.edu/researchers/open\\_access](http://www.libraries.rutgers.edu/researchers/open_access)

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