

College of Forestry Open Access Policy

Introduction

ScholarsArchive@OSU is Oregon State University's digital service for gathering, indexing, making available and storing the scholarly work of the Oregon State University community. College of Forestry content in the digital repository includes every thesis and dissertation of the College, hundreds of faculty articles and technical reports, and the official publications of the Oregon Forest Research Laboratory.

Goals

This policy is a statement of support for making the research of the College more widely available and more broadly disseminated on the web, not only to colleagues and peers but also to students around the world and to the citizens of Oregon and beyond.

The policy also allows Forestry Communications to work with the OSU Libraries on behalf of faculty in the college who want to contribute to furthering access to their research by contributing publications to the ScholarsArchive@OSU (SA@OSU). Without a policy, the onus remains with the faculty member to investigate copyright issues associated with each publisher before posting articles online.

Policy

In keeping with a 100+ year history of making research publications available on request, faculty in the Oregon State University College of Forestry support this college-wide open access policy: Beginning Fall Term 2011, we encourage our faculty to have a digital copy of the author's final version of each scholarly article deposited to ScholarsArchive@OSU (<http://ir.library.oregonstate.edu/>) as soon as possible after publication.

Process for new articles:

When an article is published, send the author's final version of the article (the version of the article after peer review prior to publisher formatting) as an email attachment to the Forestry Communications office.

Include as much bibliographic information (author, title, publisher, volume, issue, date, DOI) as possible. Forestry Communications will work with the OSU libraries to deposit these articles in ScholarsArchive@OSU in a manner consistent with copyright. The persistent URL for the article in ScholarsArchive@OSU will be sent to the author.

Process for articles already published:

Send a publication list in any format (web page URL, vitae) to the Forestry Communications office.

Forestry Communications will work with the OSU Libraries to add these articles to ScholarsArchive@OSU over time and in a manner consistent with copyright. Articles deposited as a result of this policy will reside in a collection called *Faculty Research Publications (College of Forestry & Oregon Forest Research Laboratory)* and each will be assigned a persistent URL.

If you are interested in depositing other forms of research and communications besides journal articles in ScholarsArchive@OSU – e.g. annual reports, technical reports, research data, etc. -- contact the Forestry Communications Office.