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Academic Library Challenges

- Print Journal Collections Declining for Many Academic Libraries
- Journal Price Increases 521% Since 1986
- Flat or Cut Budgets
- Space Problems
- Neverending Need for Timely and Relevant Peer Reviewed Journals
PSU’s Challenges and Goal

• Flat Budget, Journal Cost Increases, Space Issues
• Increase Availability of Relevant Online Journals to Support PSU’s Curriculum and Research
• Remove Unnecessary Duplication of Open Access Journals Among Databases
• Dead Links of Open Access Journals in ERM
• Irrelevant Open Access Journals in ERM

Goal: Rightsizing PSU Journals Collection, Including Open Access
What is Rightsizing? Why Should I Do it?

• Simply put, rightsizing for libraries means to mold your collection, resources, and services into the right shape and size for your library. (Ward)

• Provide Access to Relevant Material and That May Already Be Used

• Provide Access to Journals Indexed in Your Databases

• Supplement Subscription Journals

• Provide Access to Material Available in Stable Sources
Approach at PSU

• Usage Statistics
• Bad URLs
• Journals That Are Irrelevant to University Curriculum and Research
• Predatory Open Access Journals
Overlap Between Open Access Collections

• Overlap Analysis in the ERM to Reveal Overlap of Journals Between Collections
• Examine the URLs of Different Sources of Open Access Journals.
• Delete Access for Titles Going to the Same URLs

![Image of Archives of Metallurgy and Materials](image.png)
Usage Statistics
• Examine Usage Statistics for Usage on Journals which are not subscriptions
• Open Access or Hybrids?
• Evaluate Titles for Relevancy to the University Curriculum
• Peer Review Status
• Since they are already being used, that speaks to the need for the content.

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Bad URLs

- Examine Bad URLs Report. Determine if Journals are Needed. Fix URLss or Delete Titles.
Just a Bit of Caution…

• Open access journals should be subject to collection development analysis
• Predatory Open Access Journal Peer Review and Publishing Practices
• Check Peer Review Status
• Beware of predatory open access journals

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Conclusion

• The usage of many of the added and updated journals has increased.

• The increased access to relevant, peer reviewed open access journals has enabled our library to better serve PSU students, faculty, and staff.

• Increase access to journals patrons need and may already be using

• Decrease confusion of patrons who are overwhelmed with links when there is duplication

• Value usage statistics
References


  • The DOAJ has a variety of information, including peer review status, article publishing charges, aim and scope, a transparency and best practices statement, and certification of titles that follow best practices.

• Scimago https://www.scimagojr.com/


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