

# **Open Access Policy**

## **California State University, Northridge**

[Draft proposal]

We, the Faculty Senate at California State University Northridge (CSUN), recognizing that open access archiving and publishing is central to the long-term viability of scholarly communication, and recognizing that freely accessible scholarship is beneficial to the academy and to society at large, do hereby adopt the following campus Open Access Policy.

CSUN Faculty members are strongly encouraged to:

1. Publish in journals that are open access or allow open access archiving;
2. Submit journal articles to *ScholarWorks* (CSUN's open access institutional repository) as soon as possible after acceptance for publication;
3. Grant CSUN a non-exclusive, perpetual license to archive selected previously published journal articles in *ScholarWorks*;
4. Grant CSUN the right to migrate selected faculty publications to any medium or format for digital preservation purposes;

Additionally, recognizing the importance of flexibility in any policy, the following exemption is affirmed:

Any CSUN faculty member may, for any reason, choose not to deposit his or her publications into *ScholarWorks*.