

## Mount Royal University Library Position Statement on Open Access

The Mount Royal University Library is committed to the principles of Open Access as they are outlined in the *Budapest Open Access Initiative*.

The Library confirms its commitment to Open Access as expressed in the Canadian Association of Research Libraries' *Position Statement on Open Access* as well as the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions' *Statement on Open Access to Scholarly Literature and Research Documentation*.

The Library will:

- provide access to Open Access materials via the Library collection;
- support Open Access publishing at the University via development of open initiatives, including an institutional repository and an academic journal publishing system;
- act as an information resource for, and inform the University community about, the benefits and challenges of Open Access;
- work with institutional members to ensure that funding agency requirements for Open Access are upheld;
- participate in regional and national efforts to promote and protect Open Access.

The Library strongly encourages academic members of the University to seek Open Access venues, wherever possible, for the purposes of scholarly dissemination of research, scholarly output, and creative achievements, while acknowledging that academic members have the expertise to exercise their intellectual property rights.

### Related links and supporting documentation

[Bethesda Statement on Open Access Publishing](#)

[Berlin Declaration on Open Access to Knowledge in the Sciences and Humanities](#)

[Budapest Open Access Initiative](#)

[Position Statement on Open Access, Canadian Association of Research Libraries \(CARL\)](#)

[Position Statement on Open Access for Canadian Libraries, Canadian Library Association \(CLA\)](#)

[Statement on Open Access to Scholarly Literature and Research Documentation, International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions \(IFLA\)](#)

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