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## Sense of the Senate

### Resolution in Support of Open Access Publishing for California State University, Dominguez Hills Faculty Publications

#### FPC 18-01

**Resolved:** that the Academic Senate encourages faculty members to publish in peer-reviewed journals that allow open access archiving of pre or post print versions or peer-reviewed journals that are entirely open access; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the Academic Senate encourages faculty members to negotiate a nonexclusive, irrevocable, non-commercial, global license to exercise any and all rights under copyright in agreement with publishers for each of their scholarly works; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the Academic Senate encourages faculty members to submit open access scholarship to CSUDH ScholarWorks after acceptance for publication; and be it further

**Resolved:** That the distribution list include Faculty, Deans, Department Chairs and Program Coordinators and the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs.

***Rationale:** Open access refers to free, online public access to scholarly and scientific works in open access journals, university repositories, and discipline repositories. Open access has many benefits including: contributing to the economic long-term viability of the dissemination of scholarship, increasing access to scholarship for society at large, fulfilling federal grant mandates, increasing a citation advantage for researchers, and contributing to global scholarship for researchers who may not have access to expensive subscriptions and databases. In addition, Open access can contribute to making publications assigned in classes more accessible and affordable for students. All CSUs currently have open access institutional repositories to support distributing open access works. Open access resolutions and policies for faculty are currently in place at more than 200 American universities, including a mandatory (opt-out) policy for the entire UC system. A number of CSUs<sup>1</sup> and the CSU Council of Library Deans also have passed open access resolutions. This resolution reflects the CSU Dominguez Hills campus support of the value of open access publications with a voluntary (opt-in) policy. No faculty member would be required to submit their work to the CSUDH Institutional Repository or to publish in specific publications.*

*Please note that no policy and no administrative action is required.*

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<sup>1</sup> CSU Resolutions already in place include SJSU (<http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/docs/SS-S10-2.pdf>), CSUF [http://www.fullerton.edu/senate/publications\\_policies\\_resolutions/resolutions/ASD%2016-89%20Open%20Access%20for%20Faculty%20Publication.pdf](http://www.fullerton.edu/senate/publications_policies_resolutions/resolutions/ASD%2016-89%20Open%20Access%20for%20Faculty%20Publication.pdf), Council of Library Deans <http://libraries.calstate.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/cold-open-access.pdf>, and CSUN <http://www.csun.edu/senate/resolutions/openaccess-resolution112113.pdf>