

1 San José State University
2 Academic Senate
3 University Library Board
4 April 9, 2018
5 First Reading

AS 1692

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7 **Sense of the Senate Resolution**

8 **To Support Open Access Publishing and Promote the Retention of Author Rights**
9 **Among SJSU Faculty**

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11 Whereas: Open access publishing and archiving is a critical component to the long-
12 term viability and sustainability of scholarly discourse^{1,2}; and

13 Whereas: Freely accessible scholarship benefits the academy and society at
14 large^{3,4}; and

15 Whereas: Open access increases networking among scholars⁵ with the likelihood
16 that SJSU scholarship is more easily discoverable and used by others;
17 and

18 Whereas: Open access increases the visibility of scholars' research⁶ and thus
19 enhances the University's reputation; and

20 Whereas: Open access attempts to offset the sharply rising journal and database
21 costs incurred by libraries⁷; and

22 Whereas: Open access enhances the broad dissemination of scholarly work and is
23 consistent with federal agency requirements for public access findings⁸;
24 and

¹ Houghton, J. W., & Oppenheim, C. (2010). The economic implications of alternative publishing models. *Prometheus*, 28(1), 41-54.

² Houghton, J. W. (2013). Economic implications of alternative scholarly publishing models. In *A Handbook of Digital Library Economics* (pp. 125-141).

³ Chan, L., & Costa, S. (2005). Participation in the global knowledge commons: challenges and opportunities for research dissemination in developing countries. *New library world*, 106(3/4), 141-163.

⁴ Willinsky, J. (2006). *The access principle: The case for open access to research and scholarship*. Cambridge, Mass.: MIT Press.

⁵ Wang, X., Liu, C., Mao, W., & Fang, Z. (2015). The open access advantage considering citation, article usage and social media attention. *Scientometrics*, 103(2), 555-564.

⁶ Miguel, S., Chinchilla-Rodriguez, Z., & de Moya - Anegón, F. (2011). Open access and Scopus: A new approach to scientific visibility from the standpoint of access. *Journal of the Association for Information Science and Technology*, 62(6), 1130-1145.

⁷ Van Noorden, R. (2013). The true cost of science publishing. *Nature*, 495(7442), 426-429.

⁸<https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/blog/2013/02/22/expanding-public-access-results-federally-funded-research>

25 Whereas: Open access contributes to global information sharing, including
26 developing countries that do not have access to expensive databases or
27 journal subscriptions⁹; and
28 Whereas: Open access increases author flexibility to manage works after publication
29 via increased retention of author rights¹⁰; and
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31 Whereas: SJSU Library staff already facilitate deposit of faculty publications in SJSU
32 ScholarWorks¹¹, the SJSU digital repository, with minimal time investment
33 by faculty; therefore so be it
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35 Resolved: That the Academic Senate of SJSU encourages SJSU faculty to continue
36 seeking high quality and rigorous peer-reviewed journals to publish their
37 scholarly work that are broadly recognized by scholarly communities as
38 suitable to meet the standards of promotion and tenure, and be it
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40 Resolved: That retention, tenure, and promotion committees consider faculty work
41 published in open access and controlled access venues as equivalent,
42 while using discipline-specific criteria to evaluate quality, value, and
43 impact; and be it
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45 Resolved: That SJSU faculty become aware of current open access options:
46 a. Green Access - Journals that allow for self-archiving of pre- or post-
47 prints in repositories¹²
48 b. Gold - Journals that are fully open access¹³
49 c. Hybrid - Journals that contain a mix of traditional subscription articles
50 alongside open access articles, and be it
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52 Resolved: That SJSU faculty seek to retain as many rights as they can during the
53 publishing process to ensure greater control over the potential for
54 academic and public access to the research (see [SPARC Author](#)
55 [Addendum](#)), including retaining rights to deposit pre- or post-prints into
56 ScholarWorks, the campus institutional repository, and be it
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⁹ Chan, L., Kirsop, B., & Arunachalam, S. (2005). Open access archiving: the fast track to building research capacity in developing countries.

¹⁰ <https://sparcopen.org/our-work/author-rights/>

¹¹ <http://scholarworks.sjsu.edu/>

¹² <http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo/browse.php?colour=green&fIDnum=|&mode=simple&la=en&letter=all>

¹³ <https://doaj.org/>

58 Resolved: That the Academic Senate of SJSU encourages the Chancellor's Office to
59 consider a [University of California \(UC\)-style Open Access policy](#) that
60 ensures equitable and open access dissemination of faculty scholarship.
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66 Approved: Monday, April 2, 2018
67 Vote: 7-0-0
68 Present: Bodart, Gaylle, Khavul, Sasikumar, Smith, Taylor, Tian, Elliott (non-
69 voting)
70 Absent: Megwalu, Borchard, Villena, Villanueva, Kim, Cabrera, Lee
71 Financial Impact: None
72 Workload Impact: None