

# SFU OPEN ACCESS FUND REVIEW

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# AGENDA

Intro to SFU Library, OA Funds and SFU OA Fund

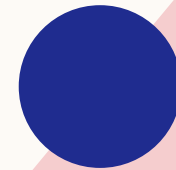
SFU OA Fund: Primary goals

Why the review? And why now?

History of the SFU OA Fund

The review process

Next steps/further questions



# SFU LIBRARY

## SFU Central Open Access Fund

- up to \$2500 (CDN) per article
- up to two articles per year



**“THE FUNDAMENTAL GOAL OF ANY OPEN-ACCESS FUND IS TO SUPPORT PUBLICATION MODELS THAT ENABLE FREE, IMMEDIATE, ONLINE DISTRIBUTION OF, AND ACCESS TO, SCHOLARLY RESEARCH.**

**BY SETTING ASIDE RESOURCES FOR THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF ENCOURAGING AUTHORS TO PUBLISH IN OPEN-ACCESS JOURNALS, OPEN-ACCESS FUNDS DEMONSTRATE AN INSTITUTION’S CONCRETE SUPPORT FOR RESHAPING THE ECONOMICS OF SCHOLARLY COMMUNICATION.”**

SPARC, 2009



# SFU OA FUND GOALS

- Support authors who wish to publish and disseminate their research in an OA journal
  - Support authors in making the transition to OA publishing as a scholarly communication option
- Offer equitable opportunities across campus disciplines
  - Reduce costs for publishing in OA journals

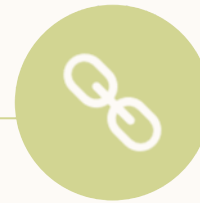
# WHY THE REVIEW? WHY NOW?

## OA PUBLISHING LANDSCAPE



- Since the SFU OA Fund has been launched, the open access publishing landscape has changed dramatically, and maybe even more so since its last review (2015/16)

## SFU OA POLICY REVIEW



- SFU OA Policy endorsed in 2017 & reviewed in 2020
- One of the recommendations was to assess the OA Fund

# SFU OAF TIMELINE & CONTEXT



# SFU OAF EVALUATION: THE REVIEW PROCESS

## RESOURCES

- Environmental scan (Aug 2021)
- Literature review
- SWOT analysis
- Usage data

## CHALLENGES

- Addressing long term financial sustainability of the fund
  - Who & What /funding allocation & amount
  - Potential changes to both journal and author eligibility, plus the \$ amount
- Improve the workflow efficiency



# SFU OA FUND EVOLUTION

Variable	2010	2014	2021
\$\$ Amount Expended	\$38,000	\$142,000	\$310,293
# Articles Approved	28	86	150
# Applications Rejected	-	-	53

# NEXT STEPS

- Recommendations
- Supporting BPCs? Research data?
- Long term sustainability & coping with fund' success
- ? More



# THANK YOU

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