



From HR

Sally Webster is on leave this month.

HR staff are continuing to provide great help – email hr.services@anu.edu.au

SIS NEWS

Welcome to 2018. For those who have returned already, welcome back. I hope that 2018 brings challenges, enjoyment and peace. Again, I would like to recognise the work of the staff who completed their service last year. In terms of what happens next on the VERS vacancies, a statement was provided to HR for them to use together with information from the rest of the university to the Senior Manager Group. After consideration by SMG, we will have a basis on which to review positions and make recommendations for appropriate action.

CAUL

- Lisa Tyson will be acting in the role of University Librarian at Western Sydney University whilst recruitment is completed
- Bob Gerrity has been appointed as the new Monash University Librarian
- Sue Owen will be commencing in the position of Director Library and Learning Spaces at Federation University Australia in early March
- Jenny Ellis has left the University of Melbourne and Donna McRostie is acting University Librarian until the position is filled
- The first CAUL newsletter for 2018 is [out now](#)

On Tuesday 5th Dec Simon Huggard (La Trobe) and Justin Withers (ARC) gave a webinar about the CHOR-AUS pilot to update CAUL members on its current status. For those who could not attend a [video and audio recording](#), and [slides](#) are available online.

Copyright

- new copyright regulations were enacted in the week before Christmas and the government [released information](#) on the changes
- The Australian Libraries Copyright Committee has just published new [fact sheets](#) that relate to recent and/or upcoming legislative copyright changes. The fact sheets are written in an easy to read format and wide sharing is encouraged. They are excellent!

CLOCKSS. 21 journals from Sage have been triggered to be open access. This increases the total number of triggered titles to 53

Libraries supporting PhD students. I enjoyed listening to the latest vlogs by Prof Tara Brabazon on the holidays. She has great advice for students and insights for those of us supporting PHD students. My favourite quote so far – "...remember how important librarians are... librarians are the punctuation of your PhD". You can view the vlog with this quote by clicking [here](#) – she talks about libraries at around minute 14:50... lovely recognition.

Rethinking research using blockchain. The break also say some different speculation about using blockchain thinking. A new [report](#) explored how it could be applied to many critical aspects of scholarly communication, including transparency, trust, reproducibility and credit.

Roxanne Missingham

POLICY TRAINING WORKSHOPS.

As part of the Corporate Governance & Risk Office's work to improve the quality and effectiveness of the University's policy documents, we are pleased to be running the fifth series of our [Policy Training Workshops Program](#).

The program has been designed to provide staff who work in the development, review and application of policy with a comprehensive coverage of best practice in the various aspects of the policy governance lifecycle. The program consists of six workshops, which are delivered over a six month period:

- [Introduction to policy governance](#)
- [Effective policy development and review](#)
- [Policy writing](#)
- [Procedure writing](#)
- [Form writing](#)
- [Communications and consultation for policy work](#)

The program's workshops are delivered by myself, with Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Marnie Hughes-Warrington, presenting the three writing workshops.

Who should attend?

- Senior managers who work with policy
- Policy practitioners in Service Divisions
- College staff who interpret and apply policy on a regular basis
- Service Division staff who implement policy
- Staff who aspire to work in a policy role, but currently don't.

Participants may enrol in all workshops or pick and mix the workshops of most interest. There is no charge for participating in these workshops. Demand for the last series of the program was more than we could meet, and places in each workshop are limited, so I encourage staff to enrol early.

I would ask that you share this email with any colleagues within your Service Division who this may be of interest to. Enrolment is now open for all workshops (via HORUS), with the first workshop being held on Tuesday 30 January. For further information, please use the above web links. Please direct any queries to me, at policy@anu.edu.au.

Regards

Andrew Heath GAICD

Events and activities

Research support community day 2018. Registrations are now [open](#) for the 2018 Research Support Community Day in Melbourne. The program will be available soon and will include presentations from a variety of speakers including researchers, librarians, government agencies, and e-researchers specialists. There will be opportunities to network and to hear what other Australian research and academic libraries are doing in the research support and services space.

Date: Monday 12 February 2018
Time: 9:00am - 5:00pm
Venue: University of Melbourne, Forum Theatre, Arts West Building

ADA Copyrigt Forum. First keynote is [Professor Ruth Okediji](#) of Harvard University other confirmed speakers include [Professor Jill McKeough](#) of UTS, [Seb Chan](#) of ACMI, and [Jonny Ross](#) of the IGEA.

DATE: Friday 9 February 2018
VENUE: National Library
More information [online](#).

Share-it – resource sharing futures conference. Related Histories: Studying the Family is a two-day conference Organised by ALIA & Libraries Australia

DATE: 10-11 May 2018
VENUE: National Library of Australia, Canberra
Register [online](#).

Australian National Data Service

Share is available to read online. You can browse the articles from the left hand menu or [download the full edition \(PDF, 1.55 MB\)](#).

Readings

- [Sharing and reuse of individual participant data from clinical trials: principles and recommendations](#)

ANU Press & open access



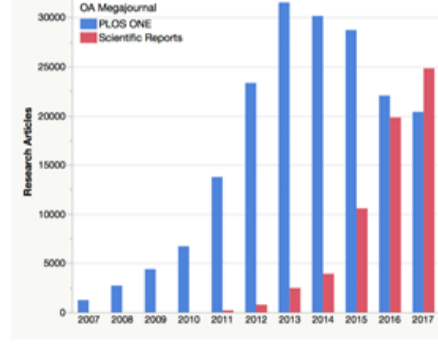
2017 – a record breaking year

Total downloads for the year: 2,497,946

Top five downloaded titles:

- The Military and Democracy in Asia and the Pacific 27,710
- Regulatory Theory 25,294
- Information Systems Foundations: Constructing and Criticising 23,556
- The Joy of Sanskrit 23,141
- Protected Area Governance and Management 21,418

Future of the OA megajournal. Now tens of thousands of articles are published through mega journals – will it be a niche initiative or is Peter Binfield's prediction of 50% of science journal



articles likely?

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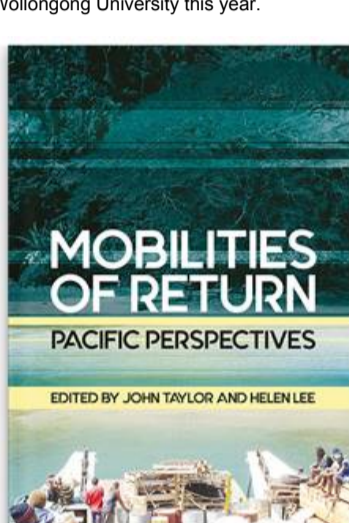
Open access textbooks boost student retention. Pablo Markin reports on open access textbook publishing focusing on ANU Press!
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Association of American University Presses renamed. The Association of American University Presses (AAUP) is now the **Association of University Presses** (AUPresses).

Open access publishing cooperative. The final report of this two year study is out. The project was designed to explore potential cooperative associations involving disciplines, national initiatives, and regional models – concludes "In terms of the future, the Libraria initiative continues to pursue support for open access from libraries".
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Open divide. Poyner's preface to a new book called *Open divide? Critical studies on open access*.
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Navigating boundaries: the Asian diaspora in the Torres Strait. Exciting news – it will be set as a text for a course at Wollongong University this year.



Open research

Research impact – what does it really mean. Kristel Alla, Wayne Hall, Harvey Whiteford, Brian Hall and Carla Meurk explore methodologies and meaning – or the lack of it.
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Altmetrics.

- Altmetric releases Top 100 research articles <https://www.altmetric.com/top100/2016/>
- The rise and rise of altmetrics <https://www.researchinformation.info/feature/rise-and-rise-altmetrics>

Metrics mania. Jefferson Pooley proposes "The case against Academia.edu" – one to read and ponder. He suggests it's time for academics to look at other options.
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EBSCO and BiblioLabs Announce OpenDissertations.org. EBSCO Information Services and BiblioLabs will launch OpenDissertations.org, an open access initiative that will facilitate the discovery of electronic theses and dissertations beginning early this year.
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New in the repository:

- [3D Box Proposals from a Single Monocular Image of an Indoor Scene](#)
- [Indoor Scene Parsing with Instance Segmentation, Semantic Labeling and Support Relationship Inference](#)
- [The rheological properties of dunite at high temperatures and pressure](#)
- [Sedimentology and stratigraphic implications of a major inland distributive fluvial system: the Castlereagh Drainage Basin, New South Wales](#)
- [Lithogenesis and diagnostic features of recent and ancient terrigenous limestones \(calclithites\)](#)

What's new in scholcomm

Stewardship in the "Age of Algorithms". Clifford Lynch takes us on a journey to rethink archival methodology. A wealth of ideas to think on.
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SPARC.

- [Community Owned/Controlled Infrastructure - presentation](#) by Heather Joseph, SPARC, 10/12/17
- [SPARC Member Meeting: Community Owned/Controlled Infrastructure \(10/12/17\) Discussion Summary](#)

Digital rights. A very interesting study from the University of Sydney based on a survey and literature review.
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Rage against the academic publishing machine does not have to be futile. Mike Marinetto suggests "Minimum compliance with publication requirements is the best recipe for job satisfaction".
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Mapping the future of academic libraries. Stephen Pinfield and his colleagues have prepared a report for the Society of College, National and University Libraries (SCONUL) in the UK. They consulted with a wide range of people. Findings:

- Nexus 1: 'Dated' scholarship – Research increasingly underpinned by large datasets and digital artefacts, involving open, networked, algorithmically-driven systems
- Nexus 2: Connected learning – New pedagogies supported by technology-enabled flexible learning
- Nexus 3: Service-oriented libraries – Libraries shifting their strategic emphasis from collections to services
- Nexus 4: Blurred identities – Boundaries between professional groups and services being broken down with more collaboration and new skills development
- Nexus 5: Intensified contextual pressures – A myriad of political, economic and other pressures creating demands on higher education and libraries

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Collections as a Service: A Research Library's Perspective. A very interesting article based on Yale University Library's approach and practice in relation to collection – concludes "Fifteen years out, the collection assessment models that have been established at Yale Library should help track whether e-book expenditures have overtaken print monograph expenditures; whether the acquisitions of print scholarly monographs have decreased; and the titles that are acquired show higher circulation rates, because collecting is more optimally aligned to the university's teaching and research needs; and whether e-book usage continues to climb or, like recent e-journal usage, levels out. The model enables the ability to drill down into details (perhaps the library continues to collect print in a particular subject in a particular language because of continued steady circulation) and to extend to analyze the increase in emerging formats and new types of use (perhaps the library accelerates the investment in raw data for digital humanities)".
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Big deal: Should Universities Outsource More Core Research Infrastructure? A very interesting new report by Roger Schonfeld at Ithaca.
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Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication. The latest issue is out from JISC – articles of interest include:

- [Measuring Cost per Use of Library-Funded Open Access Article Processing Charges: Examination and Implications of One Method](#) (Crystal Hampson, Elizabeth Stregger)
- [Dissertation to Book? A Snapshot of Dissertations Published As Books in 2014 and 2015. Available in Open Access Institutional Repositories](#) (Anna Marie Johnson, Tyler Goldberg, Robert Detmering)
- [Green on What Side of the Fence? Librarian Perceptions of Accepted Author Manuscripts](#) (Jimmy Ghaphery, Sam Byrd, Hillary Miller)
- [Where Are We Now? Survey on Rates of Faculty Self-Deposit in Institutional Repositories](#) (Ruth Kitchin Tillman)

Workflow Research for Those Left Behind: The Context. Roger Schonfeld looks at the publishing industry – starting with the view that "emerging duopoly for an entirely new class of products, those that support research workflow for the sciences, could marginalize other publishers large and small and lead to the Big Two moving ahead of their increasingly distant rivals. Elsevier and Digital Science are in a race to build out a complete set of these research workflow tools, crafting portfolios that can be integrated in a variety of ways to suit the strategic interests of their owners, positioning them far earlier in the research process than traditional publishers. This leaves publishers not in the workflow game at risk of being left behind".
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