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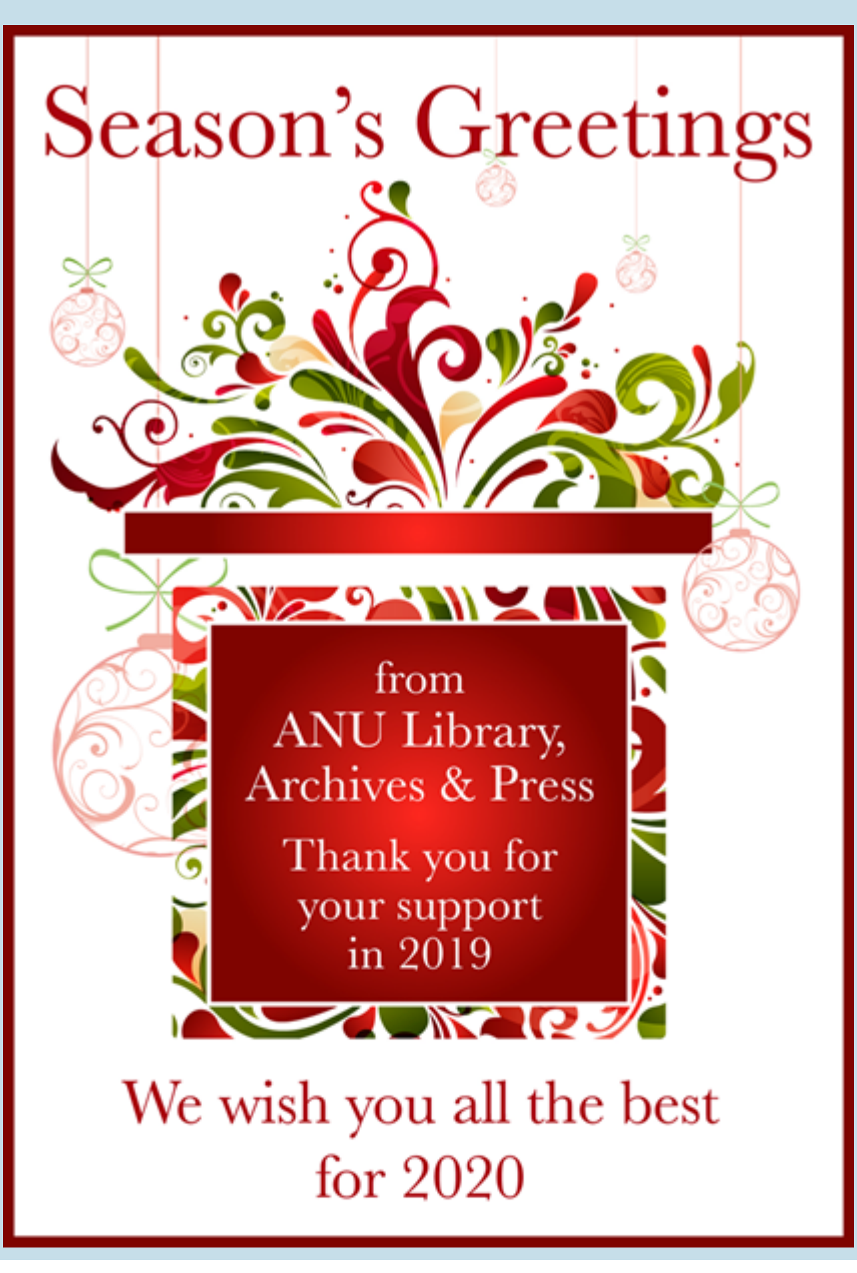

SIS News

Thank you everyone

A fantastic year of successful service delivery and great developments that have both helped our patrons and communicated ANU's research to the world more effectively than ever before.

Well done everybody.

Do enjoy the break and come back refreshed for a new exciting year.

Changes in Research Training. The Unit name has changed from Research Skills and Training to **"Researcher Development"** – their email address is now email address researcherdevelopment@anu.edu.au. The monthly HDR Update will change to "ANU Researcher" from February 2020.

Academic Board. The Academic Board Newsletter for Meeting 6/2019 held on 3 December 2019 is now available on the ANU News Site.

Prof Jacqui Lo is finishing her term as Chair as she is moving to the University of Adelaide – let me say what a wonderful chair she has been for 2 terms – leading discussion on strategic issues, delivering the ANU Statement on Freedom of Expression 2019, ANU Statement on Academic Freedom 2018, ANU Student Partnership Agreement 2019 and maintaining a light on ensuring academic standards of the highest quality.

Digitisation Update. The wonderful team, with great assistance from staff across the Division including our two terrific interns Cherie and Finn, has opened up access to an amazing range of resources – the latest newsletter highlights Climate Records from 1882 to 1966.from Fiji and Australia, Pacific slides, A woman's duty (yes how to attract a husband) from 1934, 13 issues of A Voz de Timor, Diary of R McGregor Watson and A series of photographs from the Raymond O'Dea collection showing Sydney journalists during the 1967 newspaper strike

The Deck. Amazing successful activities led by the wonderful Jason. 7 great new session brought insights and capability building around digital educational support through The Deck program - ECHO360 Active Learning, What IS Text and Data Mining?, Managing Your Digital Footprint, Text and Data Mining with JSTOR, Mobilizing your Learning - tools and tips, Video Consulting using ZOOM, Build your own Multimedia eBook. One was so heavily booked it had to move to the Marie Reay Building!.

CAUL.

- Merry Christmas from CAUL – please note the office is closed until Monday 6 January 2020

Copyright.

- The Australian Digital Alliance (ADA) welcomes the government's decision not to take up the ACCC's recommendation for a mandatory copyright takedown code for digital platforms, which would have imposed additional legal burdens on Australia's technology sector. They agree with the government that the ACCC recommendation, from the final report of its Digital Platform Inquiry, would have had unintended effects for our complex copyright ecosystem, impacting on many groups beyond the digital platforms it purported to regulate..

Cengage McGraw Hill Merger. ANU together with many others made a sub mission into the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) review of Cengage's proposed merger with McGraw-Hill. The ACCC has released a Statement of Issues (**SOI**) in relation to this proposed merger. You can find the media release here. They are now seeking comments on the preliminary concerns in relation to higher education publishing and authors' rights in Australia. Further information is available on the ACCC's website.

Elsevier. And a final development in relation to Elsevier – how could we not end the year without an Elsevier story?. Elsevier has announced a new Read & Publish agreement with the Bibsam Consortium which represents Sweden's National Library, universities and research institutes. It means Swedish researchers will have access to the scientific publisher's 2000 journals again. The agreements includes the open access publishing of all Swedish research articles. Couperin, the French academic consortium for higher education & research and Elsevier, have signed a new 4-year national license agreement to provide researchers at universities and research institutions across France with equal access to the publisher's content provided through ScienceDirect.

Roxanne Missingham
University Librarian

Events

SIS Planning Day
DATE: 3 February 2020
VENUE: Graneek Room

FROM HR

The Human Resources Division is excited to announce that the ANU Staff Training Calendar for 2020 is now available.

The University is committed to a culture of continuous learning and development.

We have refreshed the staff training calendar for 2020, to support you and your staff and teams. Based on feedback from the University community, we have added several new workshops, including a collection which is specifically tailored for staff with supervisory responsibilities.

We encourage all staff to reflect on their development needs and priorities for the year ahead using the training calendar and in discussion with their supervisor.

To support the University's strategic commitment to Equity & Diversity, we are offering LGBTIQ+ ALLY training and Indigenous Cultural Awareness training at a subsidised rate for all staff.
In addition, recognising that some staff access flexible working arrangements, several half-day courses are available.

Our new workshops include:

- Cultural capability
- Inclusive leadership
- Lead and manage effective workplace relationships
- Building mental toughness and peak performance under pressure
- Introduction to AGILE Project Management
- Influence and negotiate
- Managing up
- Introduction to Emotional Intelligence (EI)
- Mental Health First Aid – Engaging leaders
- Occupational First Aid

The calendar can be accessed here to view programs in detail.

Should you have any questions about staff training and development at ANU, please contact the Human Resources Division, Culture and Development team by email: HRD.Development@anu.edu.au.

Best wishes

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Dr Nadine White
Director - Human Resources

Australian Research Data Commons

Research Vocabularies Australia (RVA): Three year development roadmap

Based on the recommendations provided in CSIRO's **RVA review report**, the ARDC has formulated both short and long term roadmaps
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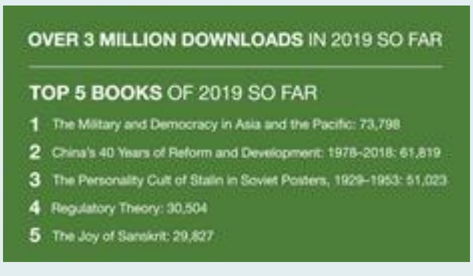
ANU Press and Open Access Publishing

ANU Press. Fantastic to see more than 3 m downloads:



OVER 3 MILLION DOWNLOADS IN 2019 SO FAR

TOP 5 BOOKS OF 2019 SO FAR

1. The Military and Democracy in Asia and the Pacific: 73,798
2. China's 40 Years of Reform and Development: 1978–2018: 61,819
3. The Personality Cult of Stalin in Soviet Posters, 1929–1953: 51,023
4. Regulatory Theory: 30,504
5. The Joy of Sanskrit: 29,827

Society for Scholarly Publishing. All presentations from the New Directions seminar are now online.The theme was Scholarly Publishing Models "The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly". Topics included some of the most talked-about enterprises in the field, from Plan S and OA2020 to new peer review models and preprint servers, spam journals, and mega journals.
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Possible executive order on open access. There has been a lot of rumour and stories on this topic. Edsurge reported "Academic publishers are worried about an executive order the Trump administration is considering that would impose new open access requirements on federally funded science research. Over the weekend, several draft letters from scientific societies and academic associations expressed concern about a requirement for publishers to "immediately make federally funded scientific discoveries published in their journals freely available to the global market." On December 16, a Scholarly Kitchen post explored the implications such a policy change would have on research and publishing and suggests that the order stems from the US Office of Science and Technology Policy" And now publishers are protesting - see the letter from more than 135 organization let by the Association of American Publishers!
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Open Textbook Pilot grant program. The U.S. House has voted to approve a broad bipartisan budget bill that includes renewal funding for the Open Textbook Pilot grant program—at an increased level of $7 million for Fiscal Year 2020! That's $2 million more than last year and a resounding endorsement of the program's benefits for students. The report language accompanying the bill also directs the Department of Education to provide a longer application period, public notice and comment procedures, and strong open licensing requirements.
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Supporting Open Access for books: lessons learned. A blogpost from Helen Dobson focuses on her views that liaising with publishers about OA books is very different from journal articles, some OA books are less discoverable than others and we haven't always got what (we think) we've paid for.
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Can an open research statement drive best practice? Robert Darby and Karen Rowlett, at the University of Reading report that the University of Reading published an institutional Statement on Open Research in January 2019 which they hoped would encourage best practice and help to establish a flourishing open research (OR) culture. They find the answer is yes but also perhaps.
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The Future of OA: A large-scale analysis projecting Open Access publication and readership. "We found that Green, Gold, and Hybrid papers receive more views than their Closed or Bronze counterparts, particularly Green papers made available within a year of publication. We also found that the proportion of Green, Gold, and Hybrid articles is growing most quickly. In 2019 - 31% of all journal articles are available as OA and 52% of article views are to OA articles."
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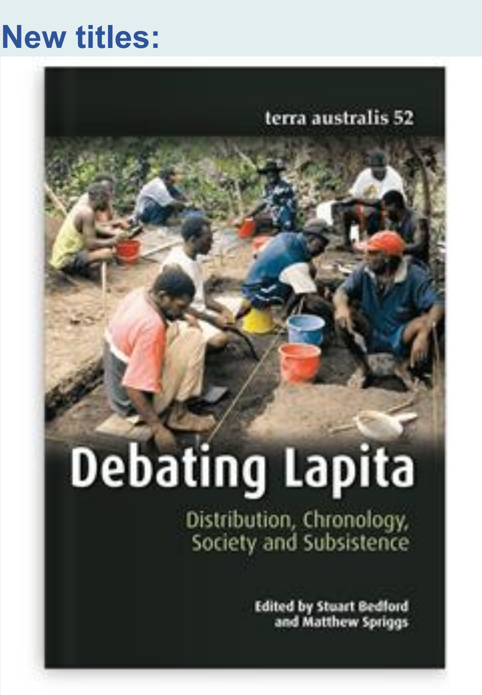
OA & publishing titbits.

- AOASG newsletter
- About Get Full Text Research new service
- U.S. college students in the fall of 2019 spent about 23% less (dropping from $265 to $205) on textbooks than in the same semester one year ago
- **Ask The Chefs: 2019 Lessons Learned**

New titles: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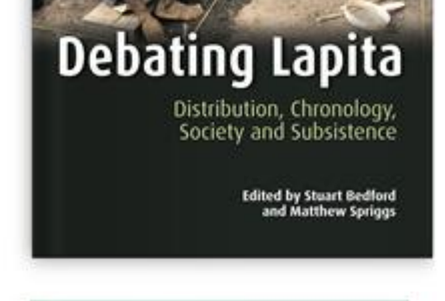
Debating Lapita
Distribution, Chronology, Society and Subsistence
Edited by Stuart Bedford and Matthew Spriggs



Open Research

Predatory journals: no definition, no defence. Leading scholars and publishers from ten countries have agreed a definition of predatory publishing that can protect scholarship. It took 12 hours of discussion, 18 questions and 3 rounds to reach. The consensus definition reached was: "Predatory journals and publishers are entities that prioritize self-interest at the expense of scholarship and are characterized by false or misleading information, deviation from best editorial and publication practices, a lack of transparency, and/or the use of aggressive and indiscriminate solicitation practices."
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Metrics – time to change. *Impact* is a new newsletter from Emerald. Covers topics relevant to impact and calls for new approaches – articles on their recent study, interdisciplinary approaches, embracing open and gender equality
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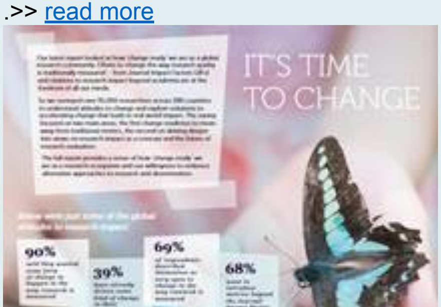

UN & UNESCO on Open science.

- Papers from the first UN Open Science Conference, held at UN Headquarters on 19 November 2019, are now available on the conference website.
- The outcome document is also online:
- Preliminary study of the technical, financial and legal aspects of the desirability of a UNESCO recommendation on open science paper is online

New in the repository

- Energy and economic growth
- Replication and robustness analysis of 'Energy and economic growth in the USA: a multivariate approach'
- China's Guide to Investment Cooperation in Papua NewGuinea
- Attitudes Towards Women's Political Participation in Solomon Islands
- How Trade Unions Explain the Development of Two-PartySystems in the Caribbean but not the Pacific

Keeping up to date

Information governance. Article on the Information Governance 2020 Roundtable with leading industry experts Stephen Bolinger, Ryan McConville, May Robertson and Susan Bennett covering privacy developments and trends globally; the ISO working group developing an Information Governance standard; the new records management cloud-based system utilising machine learning at the Australian Human Rights Commission; and highlights from the recent InfoGovANZ Survey Report..
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CNI. Opening plenary session from CNI's recent membership meeting is now available online. It includes a farewell to Joan Lippincott, CNI's longtime associate executive director, and "A Fragmented Landscape, Collaborations Refreshed, and CNI's 2019-20 Program" by CNI Executive Director Clifford Lynch, which looks at key developments that the Coalition for Networked Information has been tracking over the past year.
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Organizing Support for Student Success. Ithaka S+R's research examined how academic and student support services at community colleges are organized, funded, and staffed, and how these services can most effectively advance student success. The report shares findings from a survey of chief academic and student affairs officers across hundreds of not-for-profit colleges serving two-year students. Senior administrators view increasing student retention, graduation, and course completion as the most important objectives to their college as well as to the services under their own leadership. As they look across campus units, they specifically value the library for its role in providing students with access to technology, resources, and spaces.
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Responsible Operations: Data Science, Machine Learning, and AI in Libraries. Thomas Padilla has written this to help chart library community engagement with data science, machine learning, and artificial intelligence (AI). It was developed in partnership with an advisory group and a landscape group comprised of more than 70 librarians and professionals from universities, libraries, museums, archives, and other organizations. Areas in the report include:

1. Committing to Responsible Operations
2. Description and Discovery
3. Shared Methods and Data
4. Machine-Actionable Collections
5. Workforce Development
6. Data Science Services
7. Sustaining Interprofessional and Interdisciplinary Collaboration

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IFLA Intellectual Freedom Checklist. The checklist is intended as a tool to help libraries, library and information workers and library associations break down the different elements of the Statement, assess what is going well or not, and reflect on what more libraries – and IFLA – can do to promote its principles.
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2019 A Year in Libraries. Out from ALIA this month. It showcasing how libraries have supported digital inclusion, education, the International Year of Indigenous Languages, and the Year of the Public Domain throughout 2019..
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Challenges in the Scholarly Publishing Cycle 2019/2020. Interesting chapters include:

- The transformation of an academic publisher - Mandy Hill explains how Cambridge University Press has been embracing the open research agenda
- Focus on researchers' real needs - Olga Koz on how her job as an academic librarian has expanded and evolved over the years

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Challenges in the Scholarly Publishing Cycle
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Research information
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Where do patrons get lost? A study of library navigation. From Duke University. Librarians identified the challenges of hidden rooms and wayfinding gaps..
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Journal of Librarianship and Scholarly Communication. The latest issue includes:

- Creating a Library Publishing Program for Scholarly Books: Your Options Are Limited (Kevin Hawkins)
- Whose Research is it Anyway? Academic Social Networks Versus Institutional Repositories (Nicole C. Eva and Tara A. Wiebe)
- When a Repository Is Not Enough: Redesigning a Digital Ecosystem to Serve Scholarly Communication (Robin R. Sewell, Sarah Potvin, Pauline Melgoza, James Silas Creel, Jeremy T. Huff, Gregory T. Bailey, John Bondurant, Sean Buckner, Anton R. duPlessis, Lisa Furubotten, Julie A. Mosbo Ballestro, Ian W. Muise, and Brian J. Wright)
- ·Opening Up Open Access Institutional Repositories to Demonstrate Value: Two Universities' Pilots on Including Metadata-Only Records

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OCLC survey on discovery and fulfillment. Lynn Silipigni Connaway writes: "How do library users navigate their paths from an initial point-of-need to the final moment of getting the resources they require? That process can be as fast as a single search and one click, or it can encompass many stops and starts, false trails, frustrations, and wrong turns. Understanding and improving those journeys is among the most important work we do, so I was thrilled when the OCLC Global Council chose 'Discovery and Fulfillment' as its focus area for 2020.
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Human Rights paper recognises the importance of libraries supporting the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The role of libraries in supporting the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) has been recognised in a recent discussion paper from the Australian Human Rights Commission, Human Rights and Technology. The paper directly references the submission which ALIA made to the Australian Human Rights Commission's Human Rights and Technology Project on the importance of libraries supporting the SDG.
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Privacy Preserving Data Sharing Frameworks. Third in a series of papers, which was released last week by the Australian Computer Society and edited by Dr Ian Oppermann, NSW Government Chief Data Scientist. A major challenge is for data scientists, government policy makers and businesses that collect and use data to strike the right balance between the benefits of data sharing without compromising on the right to privacy of citizens. The paper describes frameworks for data sharing that consider both the Personal Information Factor in the data, as well as sensitivities in the data and sensitivities in use of outputs of analysis of data.
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New library buildings. The 2019 New Landmark Libraries celebrates six paradigm-shifting public libraries designed around their communities' changing needs.
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