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• Our vision is striving to be a world-class modern academic research library enabling UP to become an internationally recognized research university
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Virtual teamwork in very large undergraduate classes

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Abstract

Collaborative work is an important part of tertiary education. However, it is often difficult to organise and supervise for the extremely large classes of students in these days. The possibility of successful communication can be found in facilitation of the type of learning that is supported from a high cohesionational point of view. This paper explains clash that is called a virtual team is in the educational context. It reports on an experimental field study that all students taking an introductory course were allowed to choose when and where they desire to collaborate and work. The paper discusses the factors that should be taken into account when after students the nature of
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• Open access to the full text of research articles published by UP staff & students
• It implies a new business model where the creators of knowledge retain copyright and take responsibility for the dissemination of their products
• A University Open access policy has been drafted, which is being discussed with all University faculty members
• Campus-wide implementation in 2009
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- Open access to the full text of electronic theses and dissertations published by UP staff & students
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Open Scholarship Strategy

• Goal:
  – To change scholarship practice at UP towards becoming an Open Scholarship institution

• Philosophy:
  – The job of research is only half-done if the results of that research cannot reach the widest audience (Wellcome Trust)
Open scholarship characteristics

- Theses/dissertations are available online based on a policy of mandatory submission
- Research/conference papers are available online
- Researchers actively contribute based on a policy of mandatory submission
- Researchers/students actively use OA material
- Researchers publish in available OA journals
- Researchers actively manage their copyright
- Institution's publishing house is available OA
- The institution publishes its own online OA journals
- Dissemination forms part of its publication strategies
Mandate

“Secondly, archiving the published research papers and conference proceedings of UP staff and students and making them available to the international research community will integrate the University with the international open access movement. This will ensure enhanced visibility for UP research and its greater impact. The Academic Information Service will manage this initiative and guide researchers towards contributing. During the period under review, policy on copyright practices and the possible mandatory submission of articles will be developed.” (UP Strategic Plan)
Open Scholarship staff members
South African publishers

- Currently very few South African journals appear on the SHERPA/RoMEO database
- Most publishers' policies do not make provision for self archiving or depositing in repositories
- Open access is still a new concept in South Africa and neither publishers nor authors are knowledgeable about copyright
- The openUP Office adopted the following policy:
  - To abide by the copyright policies of the publishers, and to take the responsibility and initiative to contact the publishers on behalf of the authors and to negotiate copyright permission to archive the UP authored research articles
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Copyright results

- openUP office has successfully negotiated archiving policies for 219 journal titles
- 47% support open access (PDF version)
- 44% have not replied / formulated a policy yet
- 3% prohibits archiving
- 4% allows the archiving of the pre- or post-print version
- 1% allows the archiving of the post-print version
- 1% allows the archiving of the pre-print version
Future plans

• Mandatory submission
  – Senate decision later this year
  – Extensive information and lobbying campaign

• openUP office
  – Encourages researchers to negotiate copyright with publishers by adding the official UP author addendum or by granting copyright in stead of transferring copyright
  – Encourages its authors to publish their research articles in Open access journals
  – Wants to change authors’ copyright practice so they retain copyright
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