

Scholarly Communication Data Working Group

Charge and Membership | Approved by Advisory Council 2020-04-24

Charge

In October, 2019, TRLN's governance supported a set of consortial goals and actions that included the collection and sharing of data to enable consortial analysis of scholarly communication activities. The Scholarly Communication Data Working Group will articulate the questions that TRLN would like to answer and will then coordinate the collection, documentation, and analysis of shared data to answer the questions. Areas to be explored include, but are not limited to the following:

- the cost of Article Processing Charges (APCs) and the funding sources that cover those costs (faculty, grants, libraries, departments, provosts);
- the impact faculty contributions have on publishers' revenues;
- the outlets where our faculty are publishing; and
- additional methods to measure faculty contributions to journals, such as service on editorial boards.

Responsibilities/Deliverables/Timeline

1. Identify the questions we need to answer and the data points needed for a shared scholarly communication data set.
2. Identify the sources of data across the campuses and where provostial support is needed to procure this data. Sources of data may include campus research offices, individual departments, procurement offices, Scopus, and Web of Science.
3. Draft a model for ongoing data collection and analysis, including the resources required to undertake the work. The proposed model will be presented to the Advisory Council for feedback and approval.

Membership Overview

Up to two representatives from each participating TRLN institution.