

Scholarly Communications Working Group

Report for the March 2022 COPPUL Directors Meeting

About

The Scholarly Communications Working Group (SCWG) was endorsed as a standing committee of COPPUL in March 2012, and has been fully operating since September 2012.

Current members:

- Christina Winter, SCWG Chair, University of Regina (SK 2019/07-2023/06)
- Victoria Eke, Concordia University of Edmonton (AB, 2021/07 -2023/06)
- Christie Hurrell, University of Calgary (AB, 2020/07-2022/06)
- Kate Langrell, University of Saskatchewan (SK 2019/07-2023/06)
- Erin May, Thompson Rivers University (BC, 2021/07 -2023/06)
- Ali Moore, Simon Fraser University (BC, 2021/07 -2023/06)
- Tara Stephens-Kyte, University of British Columbia (BC, 2021/07 -2023/06)

Activities Since the Last Report

The SCWG continues to meet remotely on a monthly basis. Meetings will be focused on completing the following 2021-2022 work plan activities:

1. Western Canada Scholarly Communications SkillShare Event

Due to ongoing concerns caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2022 event will again be held virtually. This year we expanded participation in the event to include COPPUL affiliate members and CAUL-CBUA members.

This year's SkillShare will take place on Thursday, April 28, 2022 from 10AM-1PM (MT).

2. Website/Blog

Content on the SCWG Wordpress site is being migrated to the new COPPUL website.

3. Getting Started in Scholarly Communications Resources

In response to continued requests, the group is developing a list of resources for members who are new to the field of scholarly communications.

4. Research Roundup & Member Updates

For a second year, the group sent out a request to academic librarians and library staff across Canada to

submit information about recent articles and conference presentations relating to scholarly communications. The list of research activities will be posted to the SCWG website.

5. COPPUL Newsletter Contributions

The SCWG Chair continues to provide the Executive Director with bi-monthly updates about the SCWG's activities for inclusion in COPPUL newsletters.

6. Read and Publish

Kate Langrell serves as the SCWG Liaison for COPPUL's Read and Publish deals. This is a new initiative to help facilitate communication and consultation between the SCWG and the COPPUL Licensing Coordinator relating to transformative agreements.

7. COPPUL OER Standing Committee

Christie Hurrell is the SCWG representative to the COPPUL OER Standing Committee. The committee's first meeting takes place on March 2nd.

Submitted by Christina Winter (SCWG Chair), February 22, 2022