

Open Access at Brandon University What You Need to Know

What is required

If your research is funded, you may need to make your journal articles openly available. For example, Tri-Agency funded research must be openly accessible within 12 months of publication.

If your article is not published open access, repository deposit is the standard way to meet open access requirements.

Your options

You have two main ways to meet open access requirements:

Publish Open Access

- Choose an open access journal
- Use publisher agreements where available, as these may reduce or fully cover article publishing charges

Deposit in a Repository

- Deposit your accepted manuscript (after peer review) in IRBU (Brandon University's institutional repository) or another appropriate repository
- Some publishers require a delay before it can be shared

When to act

- When choosing a journal
- When your article is accepted (if it is not published open access, deposit your accepted manuscript in a repository)
- When wrapping up your project

Who to contact

Library – for publishing options and IRBU

Office of the Vice-President (Research & Graduate Studies) – for requirements and compliance

Key message

Open access is part of the research process. Using available options, including publisher agreements and repository deposit, helps make your research accessible and meet requirements.