

William Paterson University, Office of the Provost

Support for Open-Access Publication

Faculty Application

Purpose: Open-access publishing promotes dissemination of intellectual work and can help to facilitate publication of WPU faculty research, scholarship, and creative expression. In recognition of these benefits and their alignment with WPU's mission, the Office of the Provost through the Cheng Library is making available funds to support open-access publication by WPU faculty authors.

Eligibility: Full-time faculty from any discipline may request funds for open-access publication fees. Funding is limited to \$800 per faculty per fiscal year. Exceptions may be made under extraordinary circumstances. Awards will be granted only with demonstrated validity of the open-access publication venue. Help with assessing the validity of open-access publishers can be obtained through the Cheng Library (<http://guides.wpunj.edu/openaccess> or contact Richard Kearney at kearneyr@wpunj.edu).

Requests must be submitted upon acceptance of the work for publication. Applicants are encouraged to request from publishers any available waivers before submitting application. Applicants will receive institutional cooperation to address waiver requests. Applicants with other support for open-access publication (e.g. funds budgeted for the purpose from a research grant) are expected to exhaust other funds before applying for funds through this program. Deadline for applications in a given fiscal year will be May 15. Awards will be made on a first-come basis while fund balances for the fiscal year remain.

Please note that all fees will be paid directly to the publisher; there will be no direct reimbursement to faculty authors.

Applicant Information: please provide the following information.

1. Your name: _____
2. Your department: _____
3. Name of co-author(s), if applicable: _____

Publication and Venue: please provide the following information regarding the publication and venue.

4. Date of acceptance of manuscript by publisher: _____
5. Publishing company or organization: _____
6. Name of specific journal or venue: _____
7. Is this a peer-reviewed publication? ____

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8. Explain why you consider this publication venue reputable for your work. _____

Funding: please provide the following information regarding funding.

9. What is the full charge for publishing the proposed work in this publishing venue? _____

10. Does this venue make discounts available to institutions like ours (what amount)? _____

11. Does this venue have any procedure for requesting a waiver or partial waiver of fees such as article processing fees? Describe any documents or evidence needed from University offices to complete this procedure.

12. If you have applied this fiscal year for external funding for your scholarship, have you requested support for open-access publication fees in the proposal's budget? _____

Submit through Dean Edward Owusu-Ansah, Cheng Library: OWUSUANSAGE@wpunj.edu.