University Libraries and Partners Host: Open Access Week
October 21-25

The UMass Amherst Libraries will host a series of events relevant to open access, copyright and fair use, data sharing, electronic theses and dissertations, sustainability, and will celebrate their publishing services for open access journals and conferences.

Monday, October 21
Open Access Week Kickoff Webcast
Du Bois Library, Room 1620
3:00-4:00pm

Tuesday, October 22
Publishing Your Dissertations: Open Access / Embargo / Other Options?
What’s In Your Best Interest?
A workshop for Humanities faculty and graduate students
Herter Hall, Room 601
4:00–5:30pm

Wednesday, October 23
Open Access, Copyright, and Fair Use
A workshop for graduate students
Du Bois Library, Room 1320
12:00-1:30 pm
Sustainability Resources Workshop
Du Bois Library, Room 2601
2:00-3:00pm

Thursday, October 24
Open Access Information Fair
Du Bois Library, Lower Level
1:00–3:00pm
Representatives from Wikipedia, the UMass Knowledge Commons Workshop, Pioneer Valley Open Science, the UMass Amherst Libraries, and others will share openly accessible resources, and help with opening access for all.

Friday, October 25
Du Bois Library, Room 2601

Data Sharing and Data Access and Re-use Panel
Noon–1:00pm
Access to existing research data is fundamental to the research process. A panel of researchers will talk about the ways they use the data gathered by others, and the obstacles to data access and re-use.

- Thomas Herndon, Graduate Student in Economics. His work “sparked an academic and political firestorm over one of the most famous economic papers in decades, and over whether austerity or stimulus is the best route to long-term prosperity,” according to The Boston Globe.

- Irene Boeckmann, Graduate Student in Sociology. Boeckmann is a PhD candidate in the Sociology department. Her research interests include gender, parenthood, labor market stratification, social policies and welfare states, and cross-nationally comparative analyses.

Celebrating Open Access Journals and Conferences
1:30-2:30pm
Through services offered by the University Libraries, faculty and researchers can create new open access journals and host scholarly conference proceedings. This session will showcase this service and celebrate the launch of two new open access journals and a long-standing conference.

- Communication + 1 http://scholarworks.umass.edu/cpo/ provides an open forum for exploring and sharing ideas about communication across modes of inquiry and perspectives.

- Journal of Medicinally Active Plants http://scholarworks.umass.edu/jmap/ facilitates scholarly exchange among those studying and/or interested in medicinally active plants and plant extracts.

- New England Conference for Student Success http://scholarworks.umass.edu/studentsuccess/. Now in its 4th year, this conference focuses on a wide variety of themes central to student success.

Co-sponsored by the University Libraries, the Communication Department, Stockbridge School of Agriculture, and the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Full schedule: scholarworks.umass.edu/oa/2013/