

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS POLICY 2024

Introduction

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fairer, healthier, more prosperous and sustainable societies. Middlesex University believes that the publication and dissemination of scholarly activity and research is a public good and that making these available as widely as possible maximises their impact within both the academic community and society as a whole. This policy is in line with open access (OA) principles and research funder policies that endorse immediate, free, online, and unrestricted access, where possible, to all research outputs.

1.1 Purpose of the Policy

This research publications policy enables researchers disseminate their research and scholarship as widely as possible; to achieve the greatest impact and make it available to the widest possible audience; to comply with funder requirements to make research articles and conference proceedings open access immediately upon publication; to publish their work in a publication venue of their choosing.

The policy empowers authors to retain the rights to

unless otherwise stated in this policy. Any outputs submitted for publication before the date of adoption of this policy are exempt.

1.3 Roles & Responsibilities

1.3.1 Library Services owns this policy

1.3.2 The Research and Knowledge Exchange Office is responsible for:

- Monitoring compliance with funder mandates.

1.3.3 Faculty Research and Knowledge Exchange Committees and Deputy Deans (Research) are responsible for:

- Raising awareness of and monitoring compliance with the policy within their faculty.

1.3.4 Library Services are responsible for:

- Maintaining and managing the Middlesex Univer (hei)exty

Policy

2. Retaining intellectual property rights

2.1 Rights retention statement

This policy confirms that authors are free to choose where to publish.

Upon acceptance for publication, each author grants the University a non-exclusive, irrevocable, worldwide and royalty-free licence – this includes the right to make the author accepted manuscript (AAM) of their scholarly work openly available in the institutional repository, under a Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) licence, with no embargo.

To do this, each in-scope work submitted for publication can include the following text in the acknowledgement section of the manuscript and/or any cover letter/note accompanying the initial submission:

“For the purpose of open access, the author(s) has applied a Creative Commons Attribution (CC BY) licence to any Author Accepted Manuscript version arising from this submission.”

Alternative wording with the same intended outcome can be used instead, if required by the relevant funder.

For more information see the institutional Intellectual Property Policy <https://www.intra.mdx.ac.uk/tools-policies/policies-and-guidance/intellectual-property>

2.2 Outputs in scope of rights retention

The licence applies

2.4 Exceptions

This policy

4.0 Additional researcher requirements

a. Affiliation

All publications should acknowledge affiliation to the University using a standardised institutional affiliation “Middlesex University London” in all research outputs and an institutional email address. If required, the standard Middlesex University address should be used:

Middlesex University,
Hendon,
London, NW4 4BT
United Kingdom

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d. Grant information

Authors must acknowledge the source of grant funding associated with a research output in all research outputs, including details of the funding received. Authors must use the wording specified by their funder in the relevant section of their manuscripts.

5.0 Associated policies and guidance

Intellectual Property policy <https://www.intra.mdx.ac.uk/tools-policies/policies-and-guidance/intellectual-property>

Open Access policy <https://www.intra.mdx.ac.uk/key-information/open-access-publishing>

Research Data Management policy
https://www.intra.mdx.ac.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0037/169399/Research_Data_Management_Policy_APS_27.pdf

UKRI open access policy <https://www.ukri.org/publications/ukri-open-access-policy/uk-research-and-innovation-open-access-policy/>

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