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BACKGROUND
Many libraries have existing services to provide support for data management requirements and for compliance of the NIH Public Access Policy.

In 2014, federal agencies began releasing their implementation plans in response to the 2013 Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) Increasing Access to the Results of Federally Funded Research policy memorandum.

As a result, new requirements for a growing number of federal agencies surfaced. These include data management and publication aspects of the research data management lifecycle.

METHODS
The UA Public Access Working Group was established in mid-2016
• Charged by the UAL Vice Dean
  • Appointed members:
    – Ahlam Saleh, Research Librarian, UAL (provides support for NIH Public Access Policy compliance)
    – Chris Kollen, Data Curation Librarian, UAL
    – Dan Lee, Director of Office of Copyright and Scholarly Communication, UAL
    – Scott Pryor, Training Manager, Research Partnership Services, RDI
    – Lori Schultz, Senior Director, Research Partnership Services, RDI

  Scheduled regular monthly meetings
  Conducted environmental scan
  Drew on experience of existing campus support for data management plan requirements and NIH Public Access Policy compliance

RESULTS
Created quick guides for the top agencies with the most funding for grants at UA: NIH, NSF, DOE, NASA (Figure 3)

Box 1: Overview- Campus Information Sessions
Three sessions
Duration of 1 hour
Presented by working group members
Presentation outline:
  • Overview of the working group and charge
  • Clarification of UA OA Policy and the federal agency public access policy mandates
  • Introduction of the new information page
  • Debrief on each agency’s publication policy and demonstration of the quick guides
  • Debrief on each agency’s data policies
  • Q&A

Box 2: Feedback- Campus Information Sessions
New investigator orientation
Expand types of learning materials
Expand list of funding bodies covered

Next Steps
Augment communication strategies (e.g., email department heads and deans directly)
Develop quick guides for other agencies and funding bodies of high interest
Consider scheduling additional information sessions
Plan for the development of an overview video
Pursue campus interest in establishing an open science ecosystem at UA (RDI proposal)
  • Open Science Committee charge drafting in progress (RDI & UAL)
  • Committee member composition under consideration include representatives from the following groups: Information Technology, Research Faculty, UAL, and RDI

OBJECTIVES
In early 2016, two campus units at the University of Arizona (UA) collaborated to address how the university can help researchers with the new growing federal agency mandates.

• University of Arizona Libraries (UAL)
• Office of Research, Discovery & Innovation (RDI)

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Updated the existing federally funded research requirements table which is on the data management website (Figure 4)

Figure 1: Research Data Management Lifecycle
Figure 2: Information Page
http://new.library.arizona.edu/research/funder-requirements

Figure 3: Quick Guide
http://new.library.arizona.edu/research/funder-requirements

Figure 4: Federally Funded Research Requirements Table

http://new.library.arizona.edu/research/funder-requirements