Schol Comm for All! Reaching Diverse Populations with a Multipronged Scholarly **Communication Outreach Strategy**



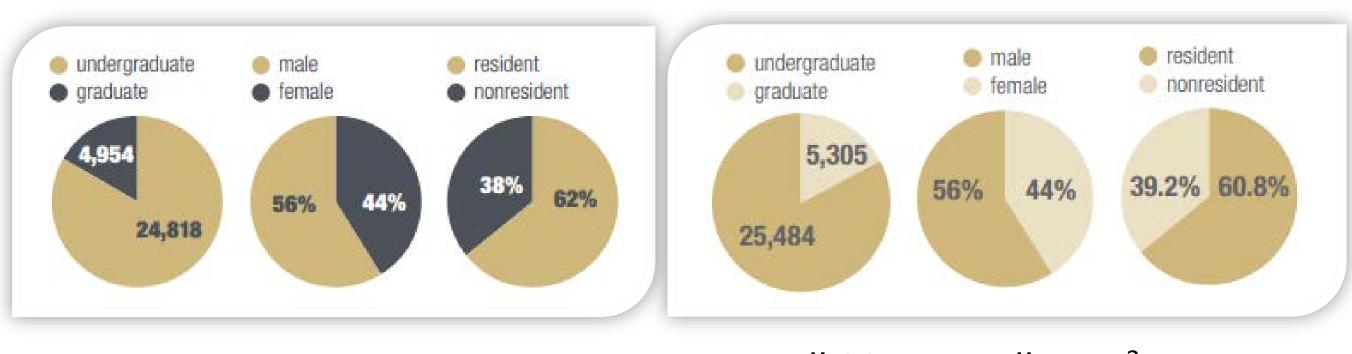
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Abstract

The diverse populations that librarians serve on a college campus have different scholarly communication concerns about open access, academic publishing, author rights, and related issues. Many academic libraries expect their librarians to have some working knowledge of scholarly communication, but not all campuses have a dedicated functional specialist. Two librarians at a large research institution will demonstrate their methods for identifying and adequately addressing these issues in their campus community.

Background

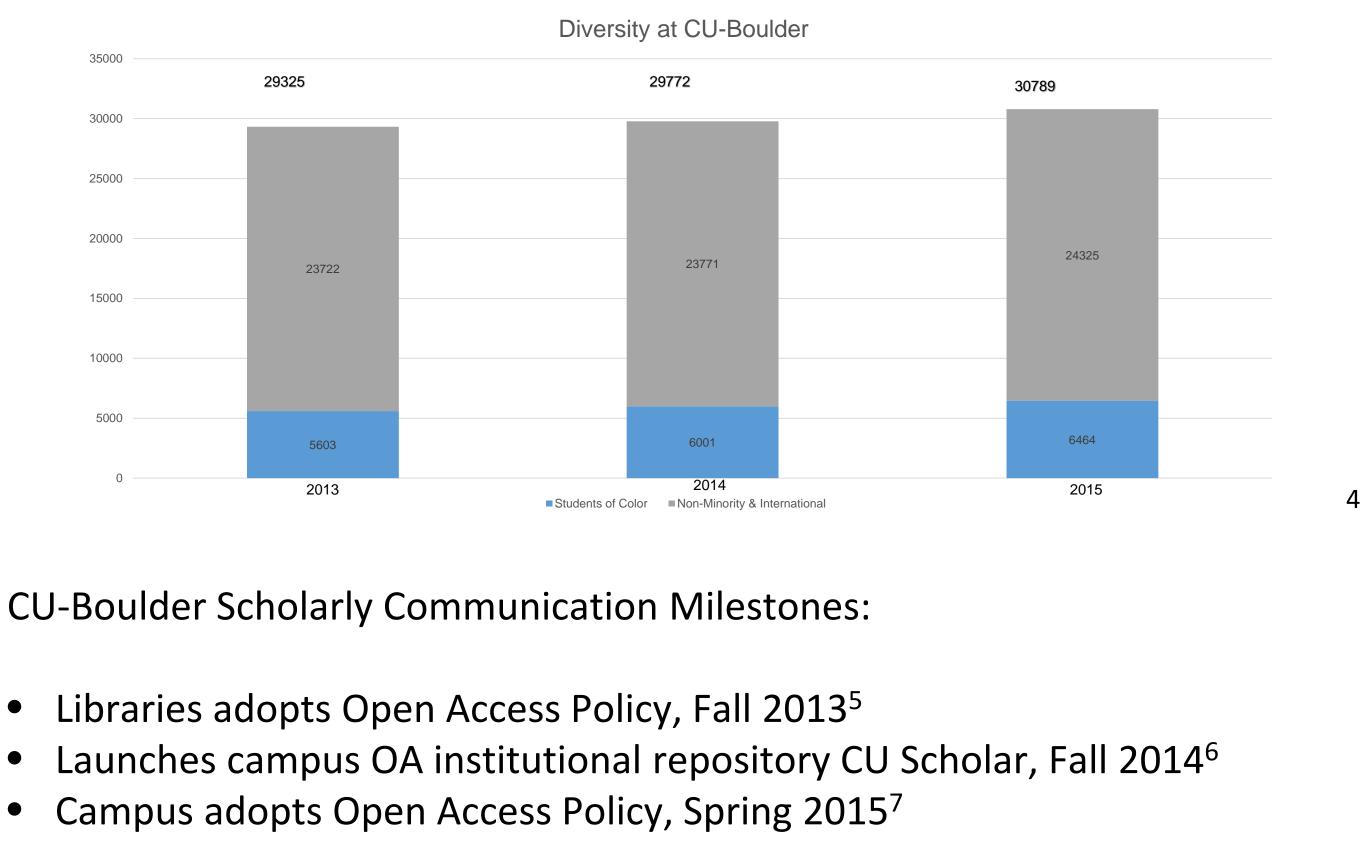
Diversity is an essential component of any civil society.¹ The authors examine diversity here within the context of campus user populations at the University of Colorado Boulder: faculty, staff, graduate students, undergraduates, and librarians. Various approaches were taken to best support the scholarly communication needs of these users.





Fall 2015 Enrollment³

Overall ethnic diversity of the student body is increasing due to the campus's ongoing efforts to recruit students from traditionally underrepresented populations.



CU-Boulder Scholarly Communication Milestones:

- Libraries adopts Open Access Policy, Fall 2013⁵
- Campus adopts Open Access Policy, Spring 2015⁷

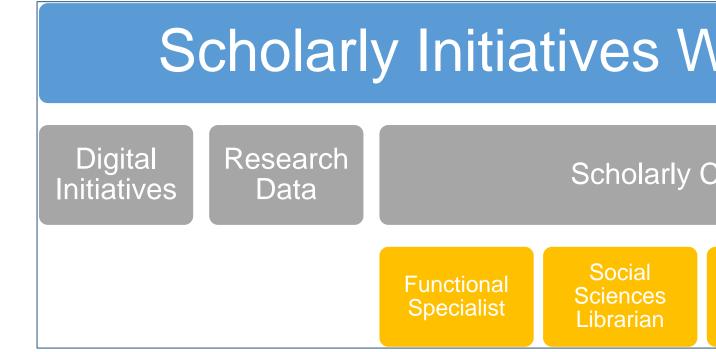
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Methods & Approach

Campus information needs are served by the University Libraries, which consist of Norlin Library, housing the Government Information Library, and four additional campus branch locations: Business Library; Earth Sciences & Map Library; Engineering, Math & Physics Library; and Music Library. The CU Law Library operates independently.

The Scholarly Communications Librarian is housed in the Libraries' department of Scholarly Resource Development, which also includes Acquisitions, Collection Development, and Interlibrary Loan-Borrowing. The Social Sciences Librarian liaised with the School of Education and the department of linguistics to provide research services to the various faculty and students in those departments. Both librarians collaborated as members of the interdepartmental Scholarly Initiatives Working Group, which included the Digital Library Management Group, Research Data Services Team, and Scholarly Communications Team.



Scholarly Initiatives Working Group				
Digital Initiatives Data	Scholarly Communications Team			
	Functional Specialist Sciences Librarian Humanities	Collection Development Electronic Resources		
ne Scholarly Communications Team was tasked with coordinating and ontinuing to develop all Libraries services related to Scholarly ommunication. ⁸ Multiple toolkits, resources, and programming were roduced in response. The Scholarly Communications Librarian coordinated forts to disseminate information about CU Scholar, Open Access rogramming and initiatives, new campus resolutions, and provided suppor o faculty through collaboration with subject specialist librarians. Subject pecialist librarians responded to departments on a more granular level.				
APPROACH	FUNCTIONAL SPECIALIST	SUBJECT LIAISON LIBRARIAN		
TOOL KIT CREATION	COPYRIGHT; OPEN ACCESS	AS PART OF SIWG		
PROGRAMMING & OUTREACH	LEARNER'S LUNCH: NORLIN & MUSIC; OPEN ACCESS WEEK; ONE- OFFS	AS PART OF SIWG		
TARGETED OUTREACH	DEPT LEADERSHIP; NEW FACULTY PREVIEW	YES		
INDIVIDUAL CONSULTATIONS	YES	YES		
INVITED TALKS	YES	YES		
INFORMAL	YES	YES		

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Diverse Needs				
AREA OF NEED	STEM	HUMANITIES/SOCIAL SCIENCES		
OPEN ACCESS	FUNDER ACCESS REQ; QUESTIONS ABOUT CAMPUS POLICY	SOME FAMILIARITY; QUESTIONS ABOUT CAMPUS POLICY		
ACADEMIC PUBLISHING	GRANT-SUPPORTED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS	SOME JOURNALS, MOSTLY MONOGRAPHS		
AUTHOR RIGHTS	QUESTIONS ABOUT © & TRANSFER AGREEMENTS	QUESTIONS ABOUT © & TRANSFER AGREEMENTS		
ALTMETRICS	SOMEWHAT ENTHUSIASTIC	SOMEWHAT SKEPTICAL		
SS Example: Through informal outreach, the Social Sciences Librarian established herself as a resource for faculty and graduate students of the School of Education. She presented to faculty about managing their scholarly presence for tenure and promotion purposes at request of the Assoc. Dean, and prepared a presentation on metrics - traditional bibliometrics vs. altmetrics, impact factor, and various services that researchers could use to manage their scholarly presence (Google Scholar, ORCID, etc.).				
	Conclusion			
Our experiences at CU-Boulder demonstrate that different approaches are necessary to most effectively address the scholarly communications needs of diverse user groups. There is no one size fits all approach, but many of these ideas and approaches are transferable to and customizable for other institutions. Above all, open communication among diverse groups is the best way to create robust and multi pronged scholarly communication outreach that benefits the entire campus community. ⁹				
Discussion				
How is your library addressing the scholarly communication needs of your campus community? Do you think diversity has anything to do with scholarly communication initiatives? Some Humanities/Social Sciences faculty have expressed concerns about how their scholarship measures up in the world of Altmetrics. How would you address such concerns? What tools/information do you think would help you to better address scholarly communication topics with your faculty? In your experience, have first-generation students had different scholarly communication needs than their non-first-gen peers?				
Future Application				
 Discipline and genrespecific resources, especially in the areas of humanities and social sciences Schol Comm Module for graduate students that are prospective academics (workshop) Practical and easily customizable resources for providing scholarly communication programming Encouraging continued communication with campus community 				

- stakeholders
- program operates
- Targeted outreach to undergraduate students

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Encouraging continued communication with campus community

• Assessment of the environment in which the scholarly communication

• Longitudinal study on the scholarly communications practices of academics

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