As a land grant university, the University of Idaho seeks to “shape the future through innovative thinking” and “expand the institution's intellectual and economic impact” (The Office of the Provost & Executive Vice President, “Strategic Plan and Process | 2016-2025,” University of Idaho).

The U of I – Open Access Publishing Fund (OAPF) supports this vision by making the innovative research conducted at U of I as widely accessible as possible.

Supporting open access models of publication demonstrates that U of I embraces equity of access, which is a catalyst for increased impact and visibility throughout the state, nation, and beyond.

During FY 2020, the U of I Library, Office of the Provost, and Office of Research and Economic Development allocated a combined total of $30,000 to pay article processing charges (APCs) in eligible open access journals.

**Strategic Goals**

**Open access and the U of I – OAPF support the U of I's Strategic Plan:**

- **Goal 1 – Innovate**: Heighten the visibility of the University of Idaho’s research, innovation, scholarship, and creative works.

- **Goal 2 – Engage**: Reduce barriers related to accessing the University of Idaho’s research, innovation, scholarship, and creative works.

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For More Information: [https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/services/oapf/](https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/services/oapf/)
Metrics for FY 2020

Applications

- Twenty-four of thirty-two applications met all eligibility criteria and received funding
  - Two applications were resubmitted once the article was accepted for publication
  - Twelve of the twenty-four funded applications included more than one U of I affiliated author

Recipients

- Supported forty-six U of I affiliated authors across four colleges and sixteen departments/programs, one center, and the Idaho Geological Survey
  - Five authors received funding twice
  - Eleven of the forty-six authors received funding in both FY 2019 and FY 2020

Recipient Demographics

- Authors
  - Twenty-seven faculty
  - Three staff members
  - One postdoctoral fellow
  - Eleven enrolled graduate students
  - Four undergraduate students

- Colleges, departments, centers, and institutes
  - College of Agricultural and Life Sciences (4)
    - Department of Animal & Veterinary Science (1)
    - Department of Entomology, Plant Pathology and Nematology (1)
    - Department of Soil and Water Systems (2)
  - College of Engineering (22)
    - Center for Ecohydraulics Research (2)
    - Department of Biological Engineering (7)
    - Department of Chemical and Materials Engineering (9)
    - Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (1)
    - Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering (1)
    - Department of Mechanical Engineering (2)
  - College of Natural Resources (4)
    - Department of Fish and Wildlife Sciences (2)
    - Department of Forest, Rangeland, and Fire Sciences (1)
    - Department of Natural Resources and Society (1)
  - College of Science (15)
    - Bioinformatics and Computational Biology (1)
    - Department of Biological Sciences (7)
    - Department of Chemistry (3)
    - Department of Geological Sciences (2)
    - Department of Mathematics (2)
  - Idaho Geological Survey (1)

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Metrics for FY 2020

Allocation

- Disbursed 100% of the allocation = $30,000.00 (final approved application received on 2/3/2020)
- Article processing charges (APCs) for applications that met eligibility criteria ranged from $300.00 to $2,620.00
  - Average APC = $1,343.17
- U of I – OAPF awards ranged from $300.00 to $2,000.00
  - Average U of I – OAPF award = $1,250.00
    - This average is slightly low as the final approved application received the remainder of the U of I – OAPF allocation, which was only a portion of the actual requested APC.

Links to funded articles available at: https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/services/oapf/funded.html
Metrics for FY 2020

Percentage of U of I – OAPF funding received, by unit (FY 2020)

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Number of U of I – OAPF recipients, by unit (FY 2020)

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