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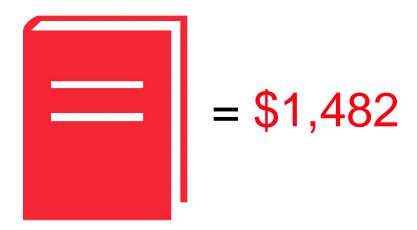
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WHEN THE PAPER I NEED ISNT AVAILABLE THROUGH MY UNIVERSITYS SUBSCRIPTION





Average journal price in Health Sciences:



Biology

Chemistry

Physics



= \$2,653



= \$4,450



Source: Library Journal 2013 Periodicals Pricing Survey

"The Winds of Change | Periodicals Price Survey 2013," by Stephen Bosch and Kittie Henderson. Library Journal, April 25, 2013: http://lj.libraryjournal.com/2013/04/publishing/the-winds-of-change-periodicals-price-survey-2013



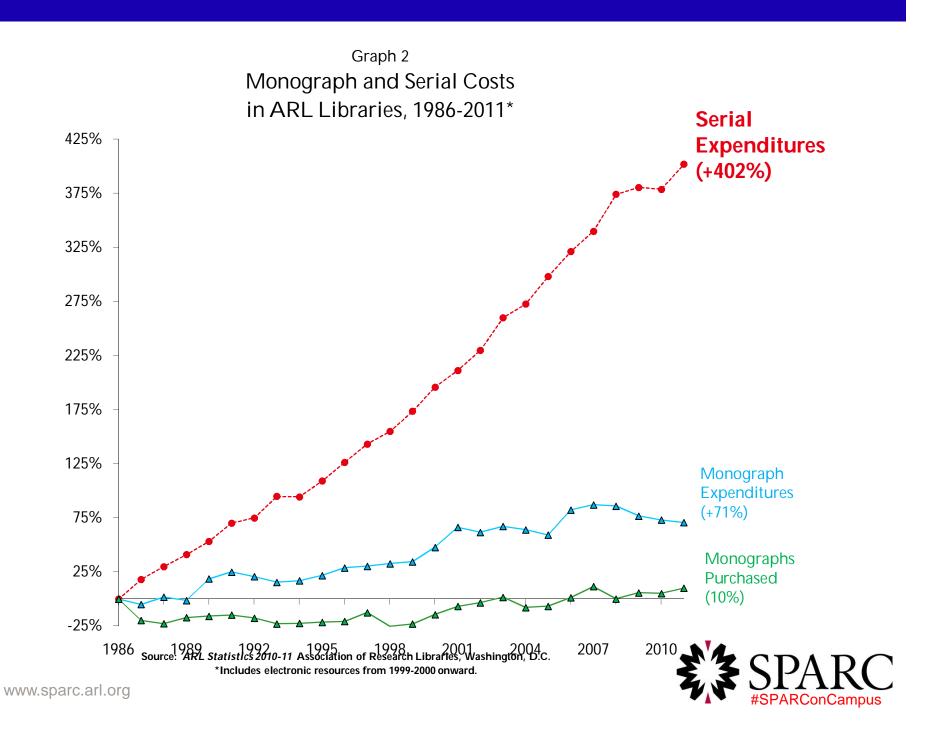
TABLE 1 AVERAGE 2013 PRICE FOR SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINES

DISCIPLINE	AVERAGE PRICE PER TITLE	DISCIPLINE	AVERAGE PRICE PER TITLE 1,852		
Chemistry	\$4,450	Zoology			
Physics	3,893	Technology	1,830		
Biology	2,653	Math & Computer Science	1,700		
Engineering	2,652	Health Sciences	1,482		
Astronomy	2,322	Agriculture	1,441		
Food Science	1,975	General Science	1,416		
Botany	1,970	Geography	1,401		
Geology	1,965	SOURCE: LJ PERIODICALS PRICE	SURVEY 2013		

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UC fights \$1 million increase in license fee for Nature and affiliated journals

6.11.2010



By Dave Jones

UC library leaders are seething over what they described as a 400 percent increase in the license fee that Nature Publishing Group charges UC for online access to 67 journals.

And, as faculty begin talking about a systemwide boycott of NPG, the publisher is fighting back.

The increase due to take effect in 2011 would cost UC an additional \$1 million a year, according to the library leaders. With this increase, they said, the UC system would be paying, on average, \$17,479 a year for each NPG journal, up from \$4,465.

These figures are from an "informational update" dated June 4 and signed by Laine Farley, executive director of the California Digital Library in the UC Office of the President; Richard A. Schneider, associate professor and chair of the University Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication; and Brian E.C. Schottlaender, convener of the University Librarians Council.

Farley, Schneider and Schottlaender said faculty had begun organizing a systemwide boycott of the Nature Publishing Group. With a boycott in place, the library leaders said, faculty would call upon UC Libraries to cancel all of their online subscriptions from NPG, while the faculty organizers would encourage their colleagues to stop submitting papers to NPG and to decline its requests to serve as peer reviewers.



The library leaders suggested a number of other actions that faculty could take to fight the "monopoly" that NPG and other publishers had built on content from UC scholars.

NPG's online response

On June 9, Nature Publishing Group posted an online response, describing the California Digital Library's

http://dateline.ucdavis.edu/dl detail.lasso?id=12774



The Economist

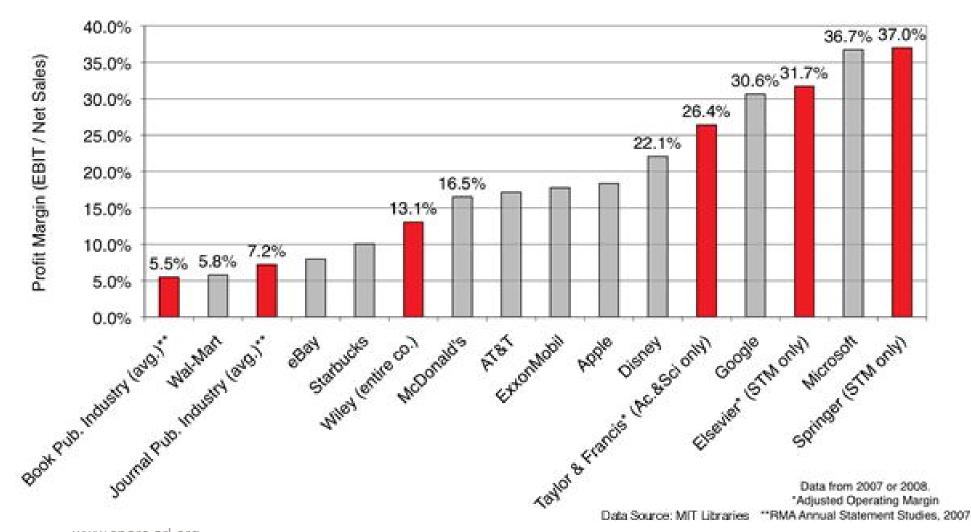
Publishing obscure academic journals is that rare thing in the media industry:

"a licence to print money."



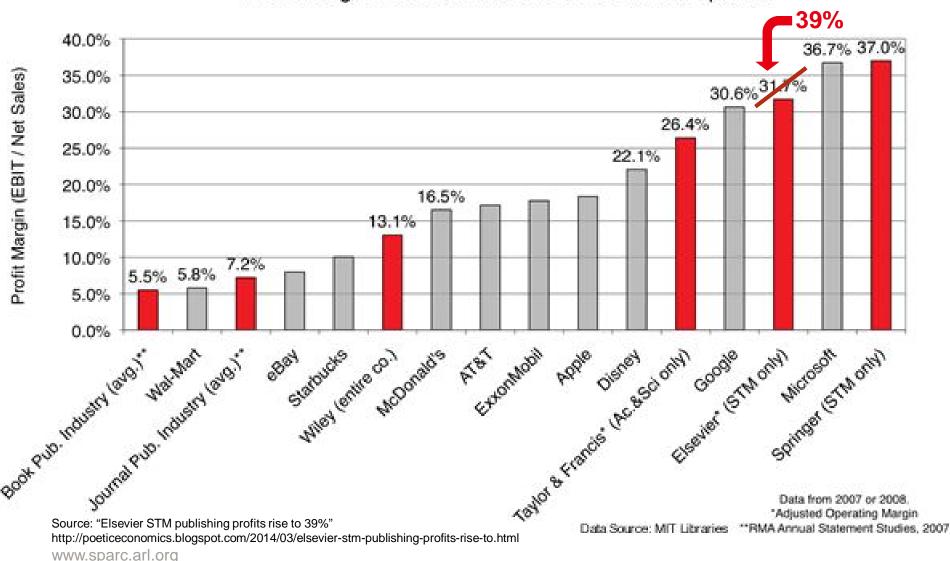
Publishing is big business...

Profit Margins: Journal Publishers v. Other Companies



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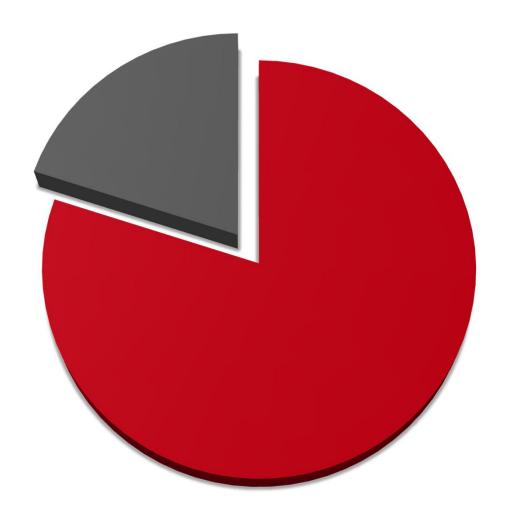


Is there a reason publishing should be this expensive?







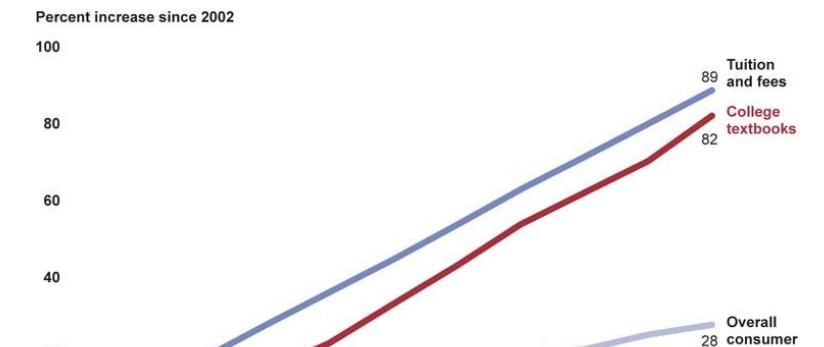


80% of research is publicly funded

Source: "Academic Publishing: Survey of funders supports the benign Open Access outcome priced into shares, HSBC Global Research," February 11, 2013: https://www.research.hsbc.com/midas/Res/RDV?ao=20&key=RxArFbnG1P&n=360010.PDF



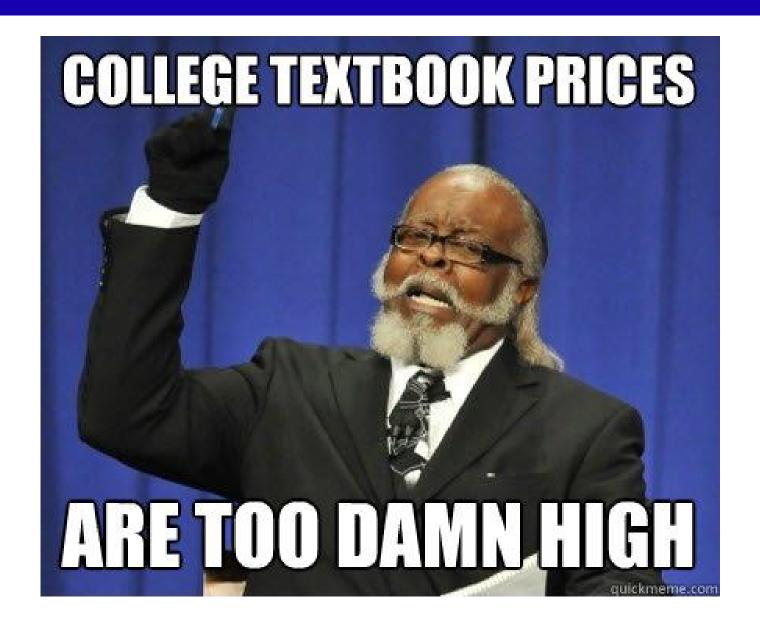
Figure 1: Estimated Increases in New College Textbook Prices, College Tuition and Fees, and Overall Consumer Price Inflation, 2002 to 2012



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index data.



prices





\$29,400

Average student debt at graduation (undergrad)



\$1,207

Average student budget for books and supplies for the 2013-2014 academic year



Textbook		New		Used	Rental		E-Book		E-Reader	
Principles of Economics	\$	206.12	\$	154.59	-	73.42	\$	101.59		116.25
Financial Accounting	\$	206.38	\$	154.79	\$	78.81	\$	101.30	\$	120.51
Business Communication	\$	156.20	\$	117.15	\$	59.56	\$	71.81	\$	93.08
Principles of Marketing	\$	150.05	\$	112.54	\$	62.71	\$	75.95	\$	91.00
Information Systems	\$	155.57	\$	116.67	\$	67.33	\$	77.58	\$	109.08
Linear Algebra	\$	159.02	\$	119.27	\$	58.31	\$	47.94	\$	102.80
Statistics	\$	151.37	\$	113.52	\$	62.23	\$	74.81	\$	114.73
Calculus	\$	209.45	\$	157.09	\$	74.92	\$	110.08	\$	119.32
College Algebra	\$	162.47	\$	121.85	\$	63.84	\$	82.78	\$	100.54
Physics	\$	198.17	\$	148.63	\$	77.47	\$	91.45	\$	108.60
Average	\$	175.48	\$	131.61	\$	67.86	\$	83.53	\$	107.59
Savings off new price			25.00%		61.33%		52.40%	3	38.69%	



2 in 3

Students say they decided against buying a textbook because the cost is too high



1 in 3

Students say at some point they earned a poor grade because they could not afford to buy the textbook



You can't learn from materials you can't afford





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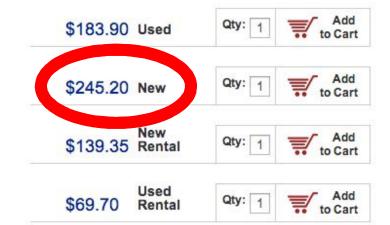
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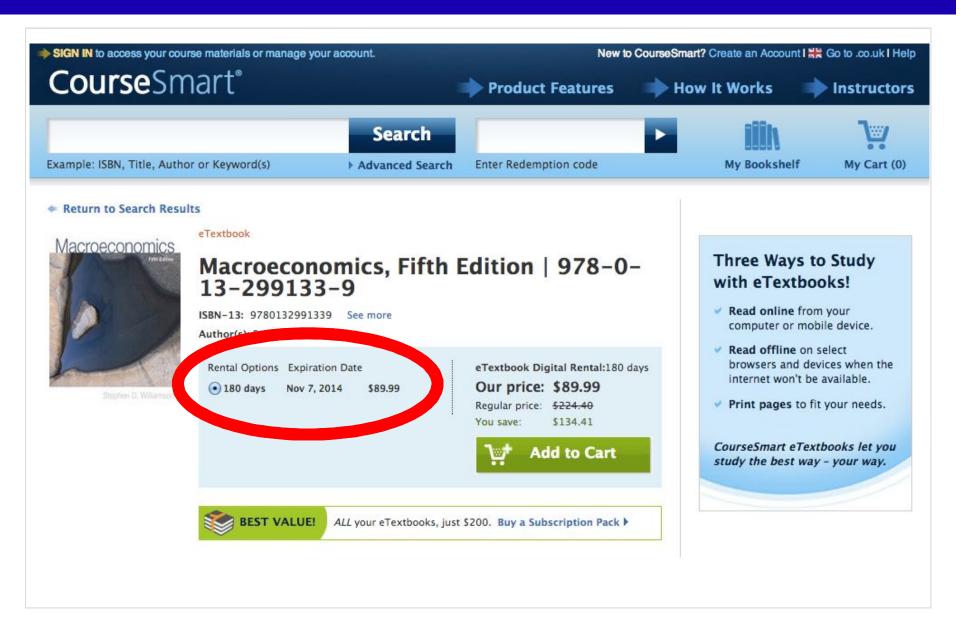
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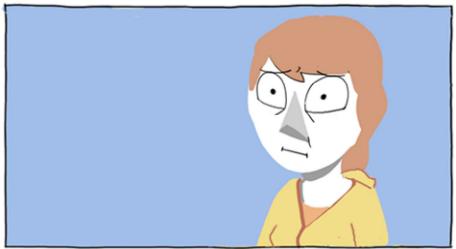








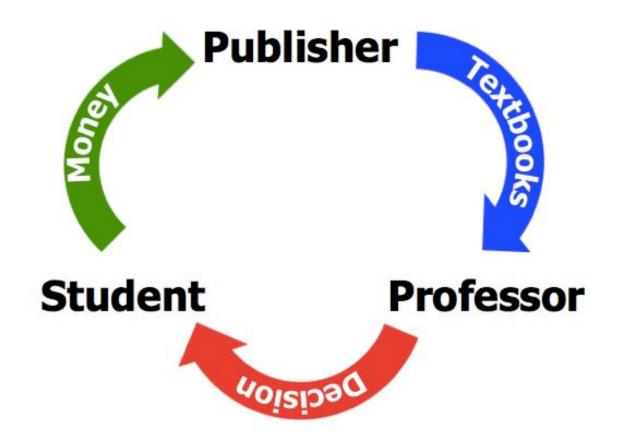








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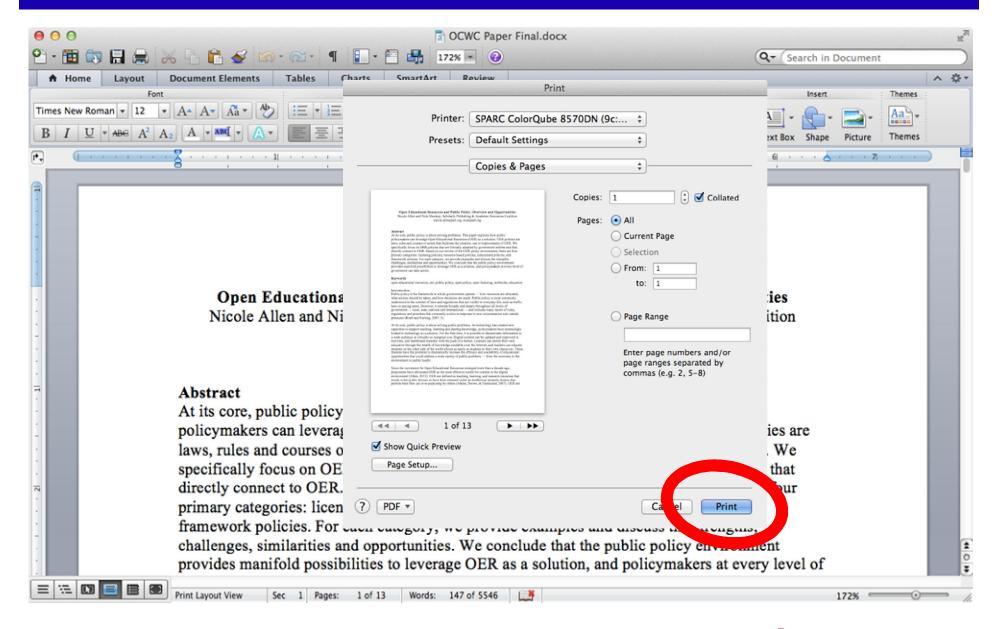








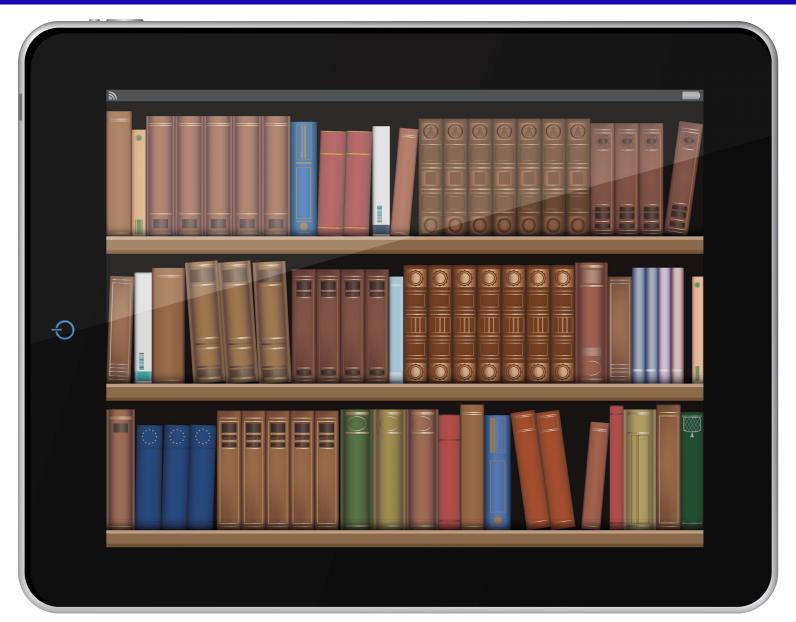


















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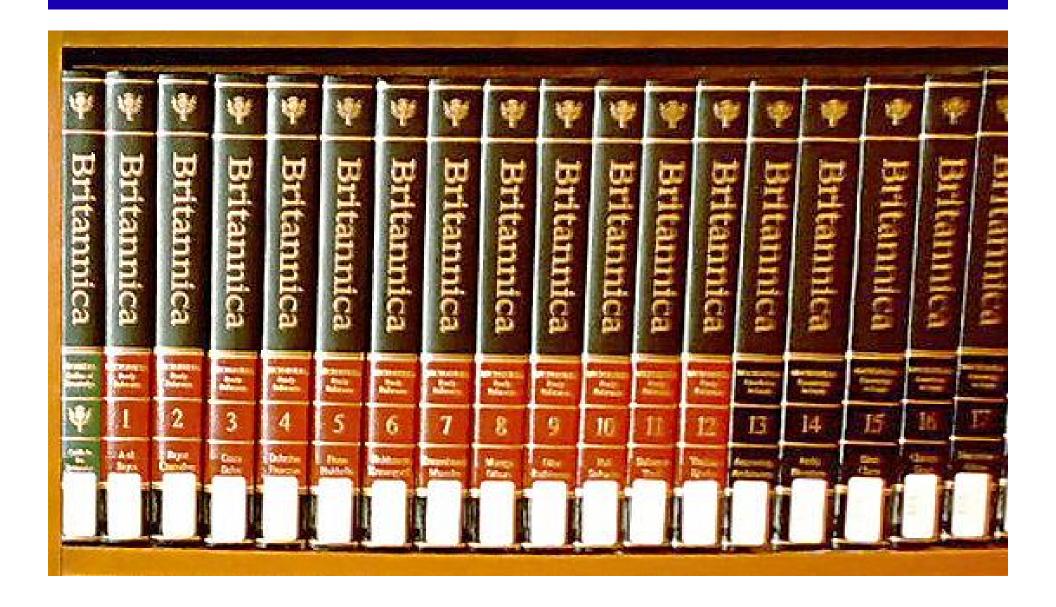
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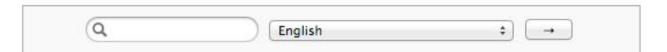
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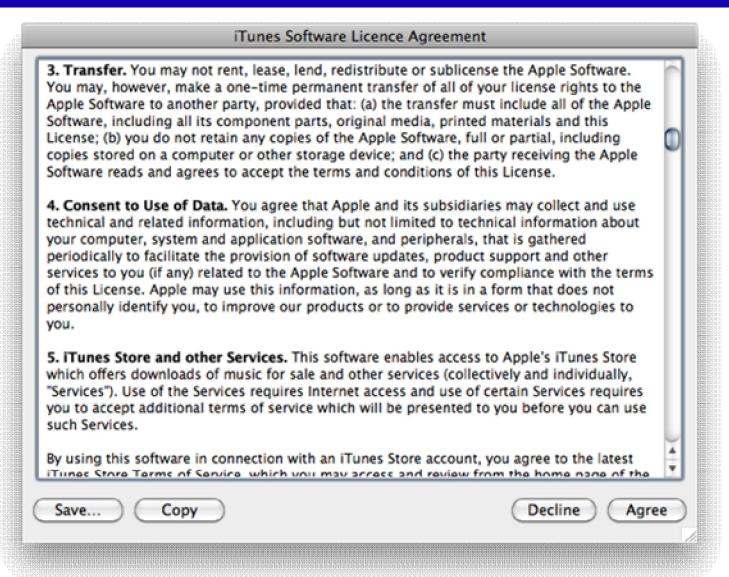




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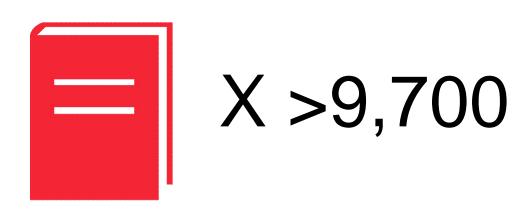
Selfarchiving







1. Publish in an open-access journal













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Aficionados of open access should know about the Journal of Machine Learning Research (JMLR), an open-access journal in my own research field of artificial intelligence, a subfield of computer science concerned with the computational implementation and understanding of behaviors that in humans are considered intelligent. The journal became the topic of some dispute in a conversation that took place a few months ago in the comment stream of the Scholarly Kitchen blog between computer science



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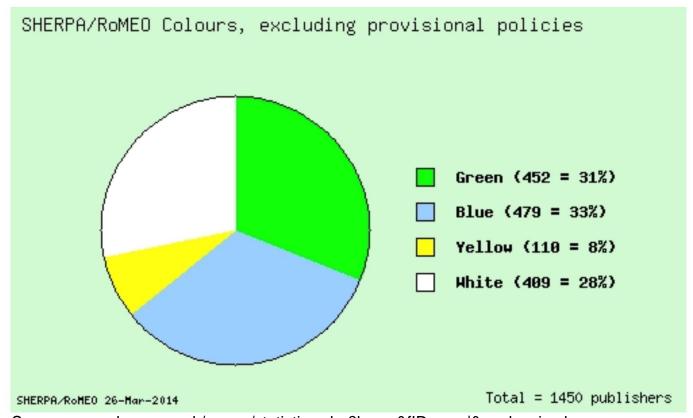






RoMEO colour	Archiving policy	Publishers	%
green	Can archive pre-print and post-print	452	31
blue	Can archive post-print (ie final draft post-refereeing)	479	33
<u>yellow</u>	Can archive pre-print (ie pre-refereeing)	110	8
white	Archiving not formally supported	409	28

Summary: 72% of publishers on this list formally allow some form of self-archiving.





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University of California adopts open-access publishing policy

03 Aug 2013 | 15:43 BST | Posted by Erika Check | Category: Policy

The faculty of the University of California (UC), the largest public research university in the world, have adopted an open-access policy in which they commit to make their research articles freely available to the public.

The policy, adopted on 24 July, was made public by a press release issued on 2 August. It covers 8,000 UC faculty on all ten of the university's campuses, who commit to grant UC a non-exclusive licence to research articles they author, provide copies of their articles to UC and to make the articles available through Creative Commons licences.

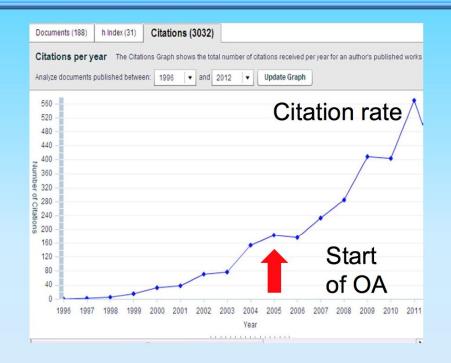
In the press release announcing the policy, Chris Kelty, associate professor of information studies at UC Los Angeles and chair of the UC University Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication, said that the policy "sends a powerful message that faculty want open access and they want it on terms that benefit the public and the future of research".

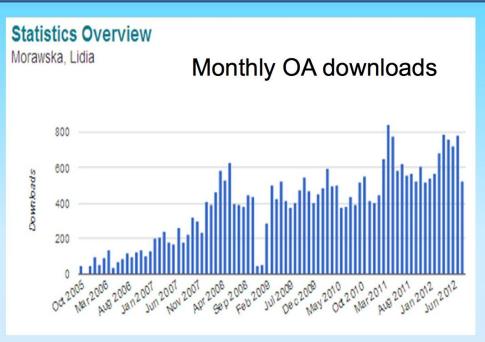
The release notes that UC is the latest of more than 175 universities to adopt similar policies. As with policies adopted at other institutions, however, faculty can opt out of the policy or delay the appearance of an open-access version of their work.

Source: http://blogs.nature.com/news/2013/08/university-of-california-adopts-open-access-publishing-policy.html



Citation Impact for a Mature Researcher (QUT)

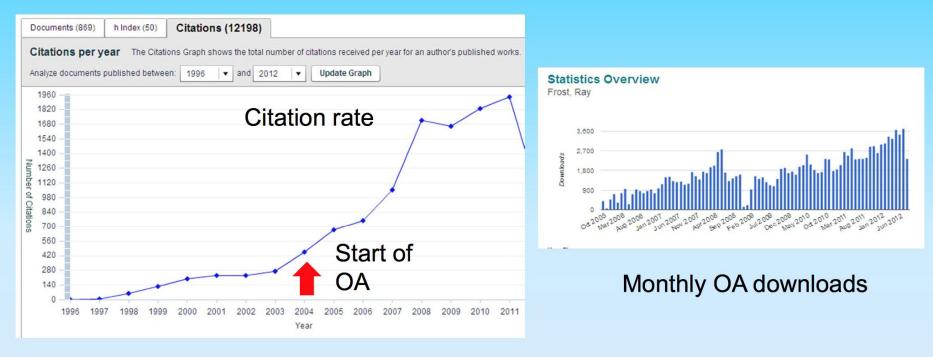




- <u>Professor Lidia Morawska</u> (physics / environmental health) began uploading full-texts copies of her published articles in 2005
- The open access copies have been downloaded a total of 32,044 times;
- Her annual citation rate (as measured by Scopus) increased from 183 in 2005 to 570 in 2011

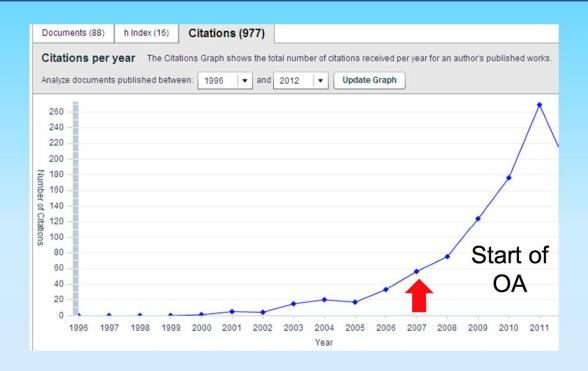
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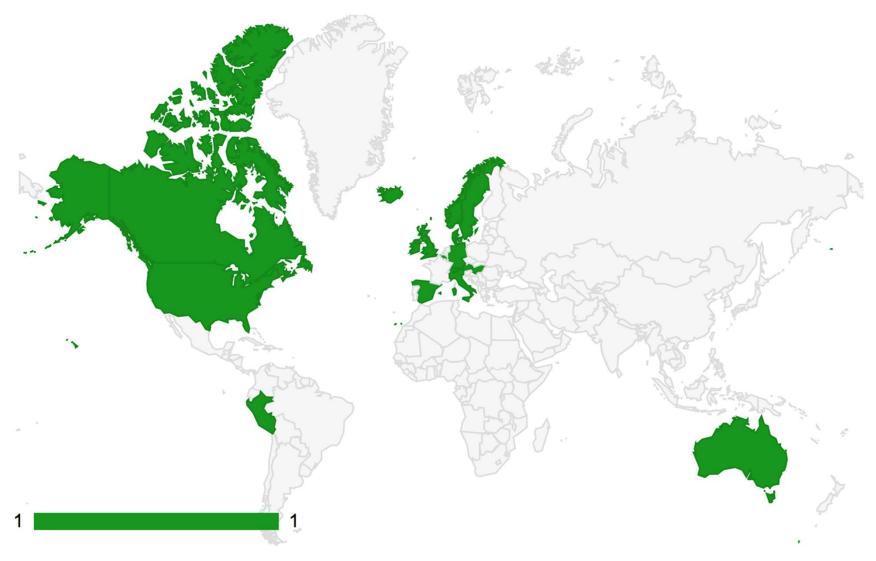
- Prof. Ray Frost (chemistry) began uploading full-text copies of his published articles in 2004;
- The open access copies have been downloaded a total of 142,030 times;
- His annual citation rate (as measured by Scopus) increased from 455 in 2004 to 1941 in 2011.

Citation impact for a mid-career researcher (QUT)



- Prof. Katherine White (Psychology) has 101 open access publications in QUT ePrints, which have been downloaded a total of 47,750 times;
- OA deposits started in 2007
- Annual citation rate (as measured by Scopus) increased from 56 in 2007 to 268 citations in 2011.

Research Funder Open Access Policies



88 Research Funders in 18 countries

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 609

Introduced by Assembly Members Nestande and Gatto (Coauthors: Assembly Members Beth Gaines, Maienschein, Olsen, and Skinner) (Coauthor: Senator Hill)

February 20, 2013

An act to add Chapter 2.5 (commencing with Section 13989) to Part 4.5 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to state government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 609, as amended, Nestande. State-funded research.

Existing law authorizes the Department of General Services to carry out various powers and duties relating to assisting a state agency in the management and development of intellectual property developed by state employees or with state funding, including, among other duties, developing a database of state-owned intellectual property using specified data.

Existing law authorizes state agencies and departments to, upon request, share records and information related to intellectual property generated by state employees or with state funding with the department. Existing law also imposes certain restrictions on employees and former employees of the department with respect to divulging certain information provided by state agencies and departments regarding intellectual property.

Source: http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201320140AB609 www.sparc.arl.org

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H. R. 708

To provide for Federal agencies to develop public access policies relating to research conducted by employees of that agency or from funds administered by that agency.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 14, 2013

Mr. Doyle (for himself, Mr. Yoder, and Ms. Lofgren) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

A BILL

To provide for Federal agencies to develop public access policies relating to research conducted by employees of that agency or from funds administered by that agency.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Fair Access to Science
- 5 and Technology Research Act of 2013".

Source: http://beta.congress.gov/113/bills/hr708/BILL S-113hr708ih.pdf



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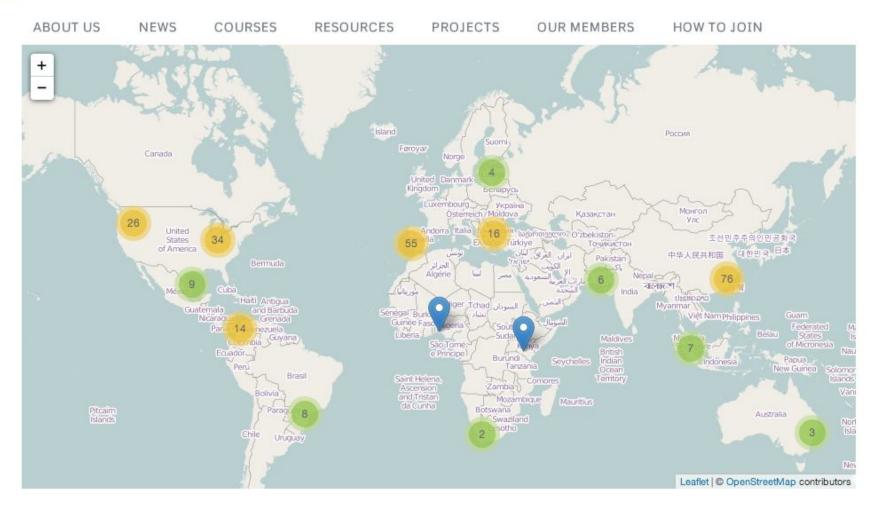
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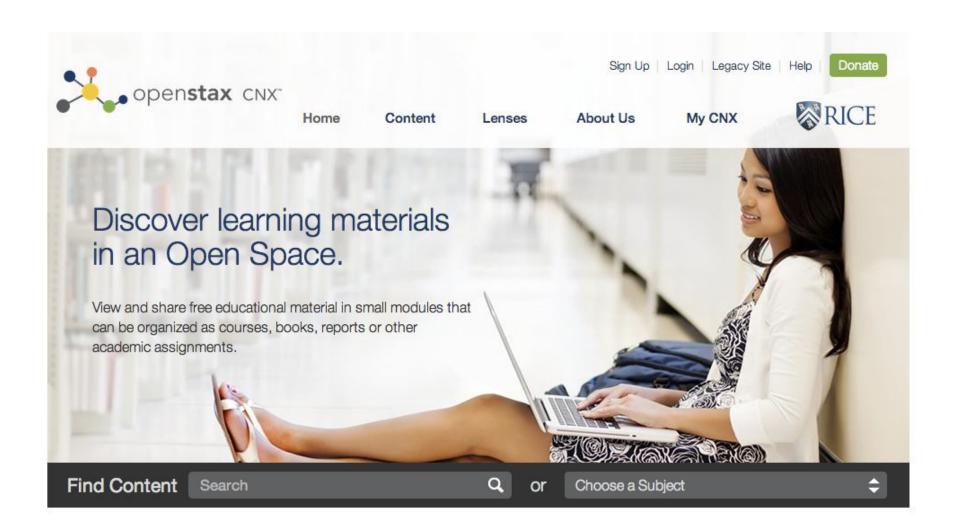
The University of California, Irvine's OCW is a web-based repository of various UC Irvine courses, video lectures, seminars and other learning resources. A recent study found 12% of incoming UCI students had viewed OCW materials prior to enrolling at UCI.

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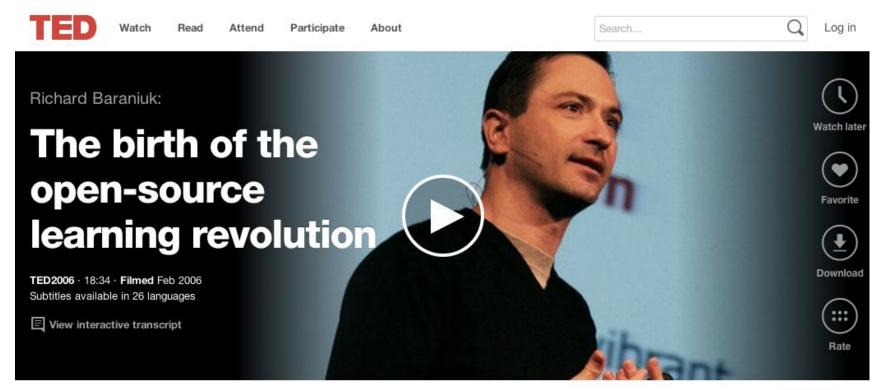
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In 2009, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act amended the Trade Act of 1974 to authorize the Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) Grant Program. On March 30, 2010, President Barack Obama signed the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act, which included \$2 billion over four years to fund the TAACCCT program.

TAACCCT provides community colleges and other eligible institutions of higher education with funds to expand and improve their ability to deliver education and career training programs that can be completed in two years or less, are suited for workers who are eligible for training under the TAA for Workers program, and prepare program participants for employment in high-wage, high-skill occupations. Through these multi-year grants, the Department of Labor is helping to ensure that our nation's institutions of higher education are helping adults succeed in acquiring the skills, degrees, and credentials needed for high-wage, high-skill employment while also meeting the needs of employers for skilled workers. The Department is implementing the TAACCCT program in partnership with the Department of Education.

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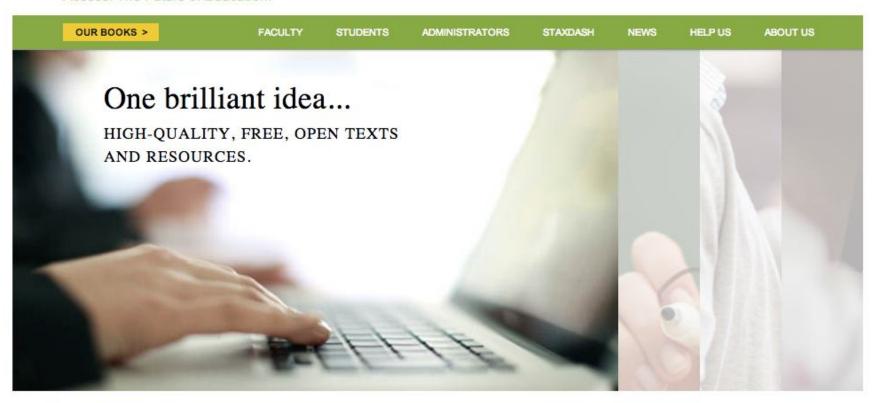




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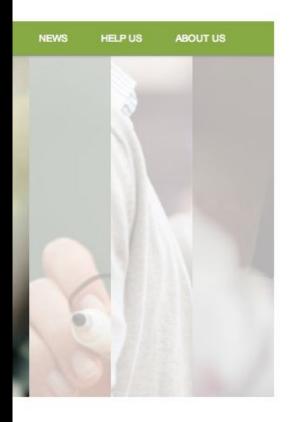


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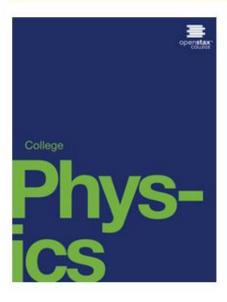
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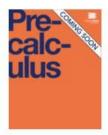
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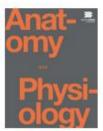










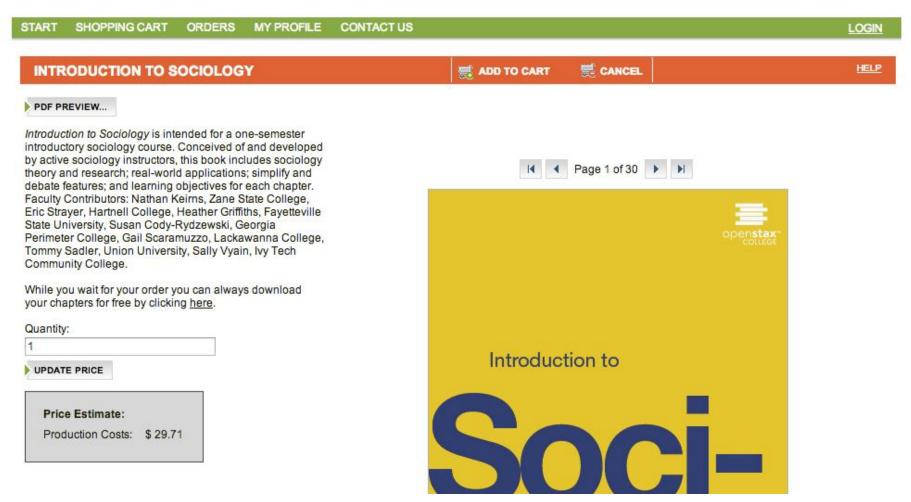














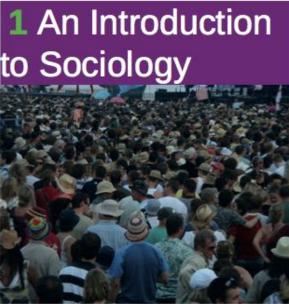


Figure 1.1 Sociologists study how society affects people and how people affect society. (Photo courtasy of Christy Chalesterificate)

Learning Objectives

1.1. What Is Sociology?

- Explain concepts central to sociology
- · Understand how different sociological perspectives have developed

1.2. The History of Sociology

- · Explain why sociology emerged when it did
- · Describe how sociology became a separate academic discipline

1.3. Theoretical Perspectives

- · Explain what sociological theories are and how they are used
- Understand the similarities and differences between structural functionalism, conflict theory, and symbolic interactionism

1.4. Why Study Sociology?

- · Explain why it is worthwhile to study sociology
- · Identify ways sociology is applied in the real world

Introduction to Sociology

Concerts, sports games, and political rallies can have very large crowds. When you amend one of these events, you may know only the people you came with. Yet you may experience a feeling of consection to the group. You are one of the crowd. You cheer and appliand when everyone else does. You boo and

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yell alongside them. You move out of the way when someone needs to get by, and you say "excuse me" when you need to leave. You know how to behave in this kind of crowd.

It can be a very different experience if you are traveling in a foreign country and find yourself in a crowd moving down the street. You may have trouble figuring out what is happening. Is the crowd just the usual morning rush, or is a political protest of some kind? Perhaps there was some sort of accident or disaster. Is it safe in this crowd, or should you try to extract yourself? How can you find out what is going on? Although you are in it, you may not feel like you are port of this crowd. You may not know what to do or how to behave.

Even within one type of crowd, different groups exist and different behaviors are on display. At a rock concert, for example, some may enjoy singing along, others prefer to sit and observe, while still others may join in a mosh pit or try crowd surfing. Why do we feel and art differently in different types of social situations? Why might people of a single group exhibit different behaviors in the same situation? Why might people acting similarly not feel connected to others exhibiting the same behavior? These are some of the many questions sociologists ask as they study people and societies.

1.1 What Is Sociology?



Figure 1.2 Sociologists learn about society as a whole while studying one-to-one and group interactions. (Fhoto counterly of Robert S. Donovan/flickn)

A dictionary defines sociology as the systematic study of society and social interaction. The word "sociology" is derived from the Latin word socials (companion) and the Greek word logos (study of), meaning "the study of companionship." While this is a starting point for the discipline, sociology is actually much more complex. It uses many different methods to study a wide range of subject matter and to apply these studies to the real world.

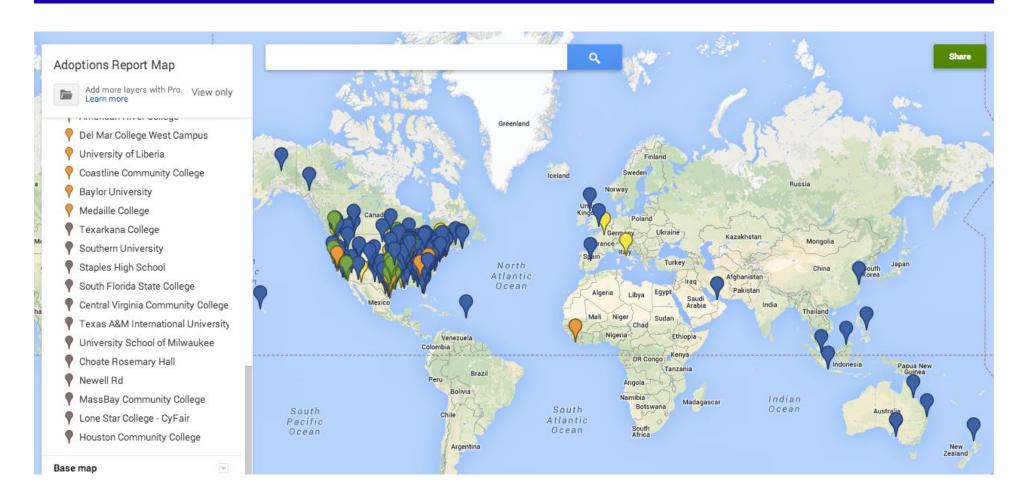
What Are Society and Culture?

Sociologists study all aspects and levels of society. A society is a group of people whose members interact, reside in a definable area, and share a culture. A culture includes the group's shared practices, values, and beliefs. Does sociologist might analyze video of people from different societies as they carry on everyday conversations to study the rules of polite conversation from different world cultures. Another sociologist might interview a representative sample of people to see how exting has changed the way they communicate. Yet another sociologist might study how migration determined the way in which language spread and changed over time. A fourth sociologist might be part of a team developing signs to warm people living thousands of years in the future, and speaking many different languages, to stay away from still—languages under waste.

The Sociological Imagination

Although these studies and the methods of carrying them out are different, the sociologists involved in them all have something in common. Each of them looks at society using what pioneer sociologist C. Wright Mills called the sociological imagination, sometimes also referred to as the sociological lers or sociological perspective. Mills defined sociological imagination as how individuals understand their own and others; pasts in relation to history and social surcure (1959).





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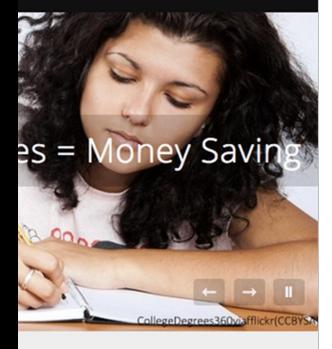
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Update: CA Creates Free Digital Textbook Library

By Meredith Schwartz on October 3, 2012

This article has been edited to include comment from Laine Farley, executive director of the University of California's California Digital Library.

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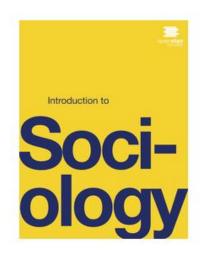
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Comprehensiveness rating: 4 read less

Very comprehensive: All the major substantive topics, concepts and theories necessary to prepare students for other lower-level and also upper-level sociology courses are well covered. A glossary of key concepts is provided in the Chapter Review section of each chapter. The subject index section is comprehensive. What is lacking is author index showing the names of sociologists associated with key concepts, paradigms, theories, and research.

Accuracy rating: 4

Apart from the text's bias for qualitative sociology and representation of the feminist perspective as theory rather than a paradigm, the content is accurate.

Relevance/Longevity rating: 5

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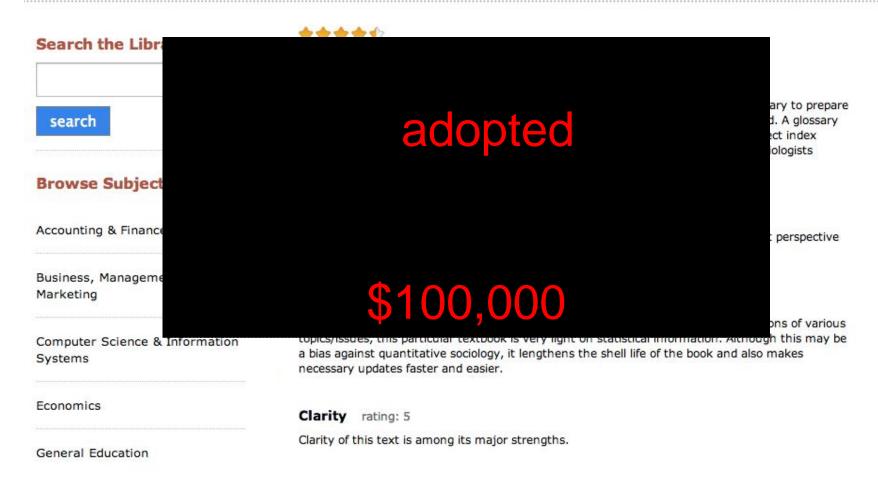
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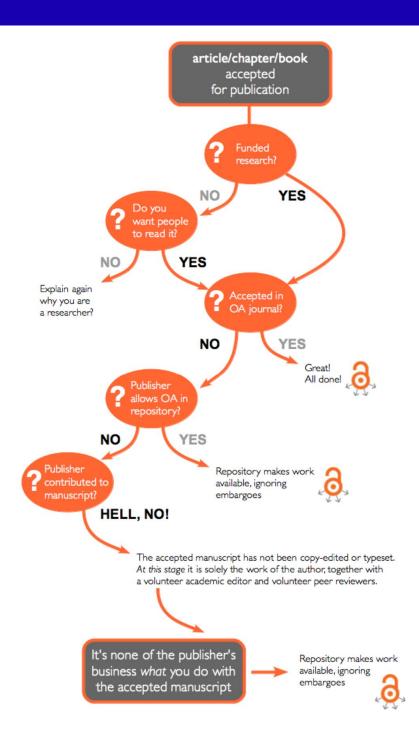
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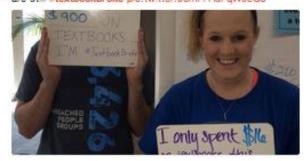
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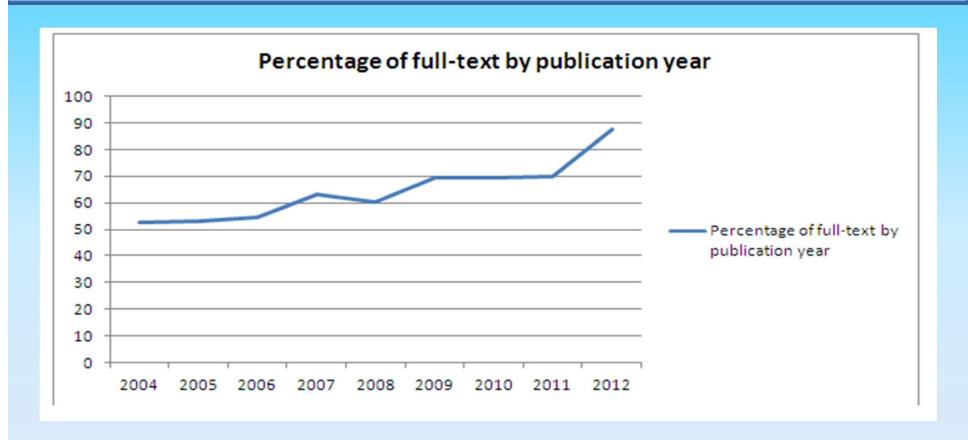
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The release notes that UC is the latest of more than 175 universities to adopt similar policies. As with policies adopted at other institutions, however, faculty can opt out of the policy or delay the appearance of an open-access version of their work.

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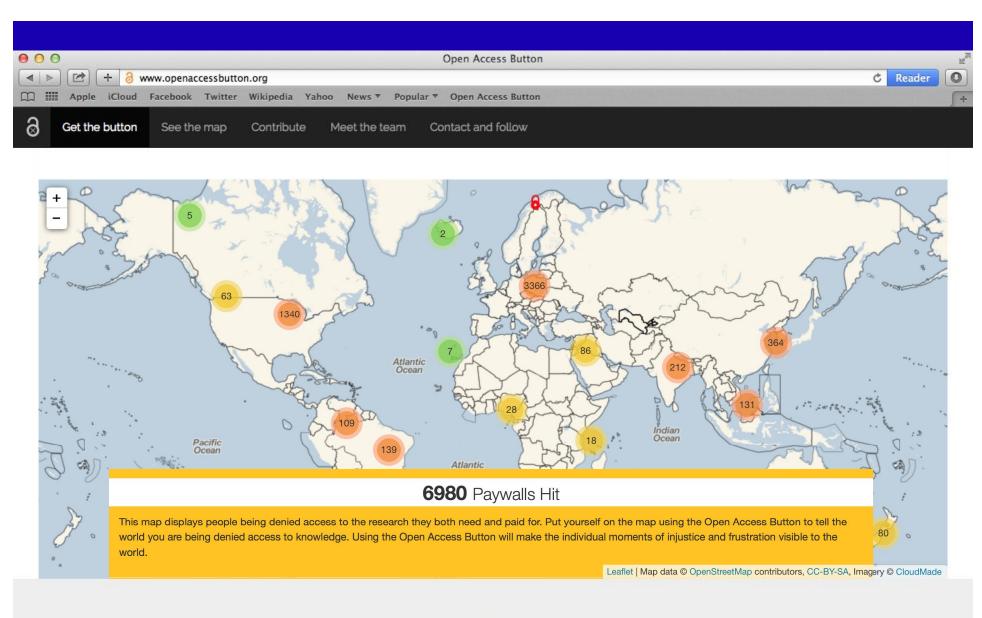
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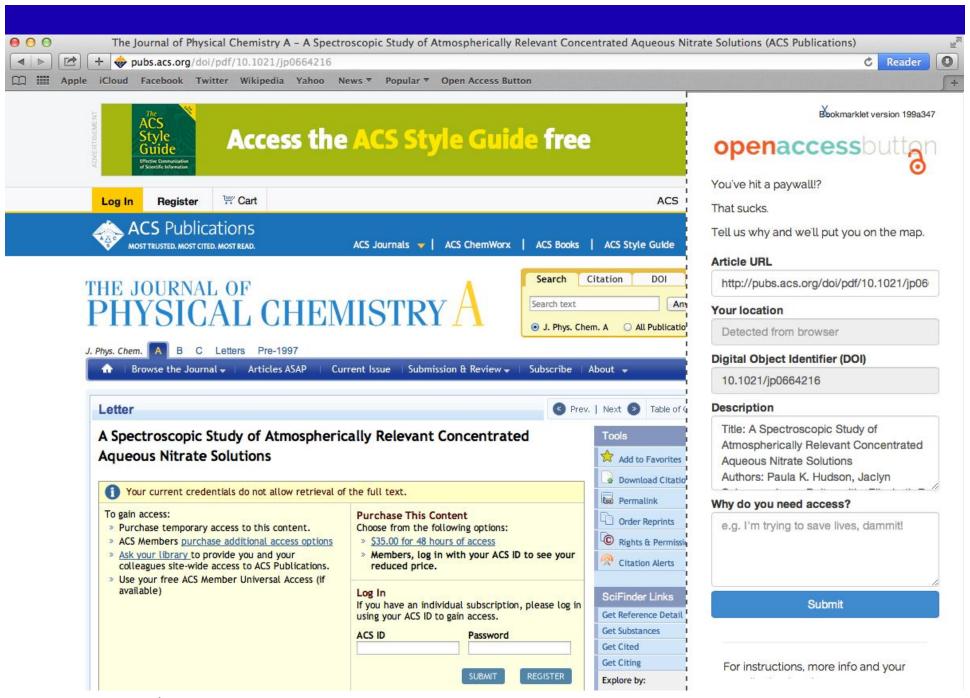
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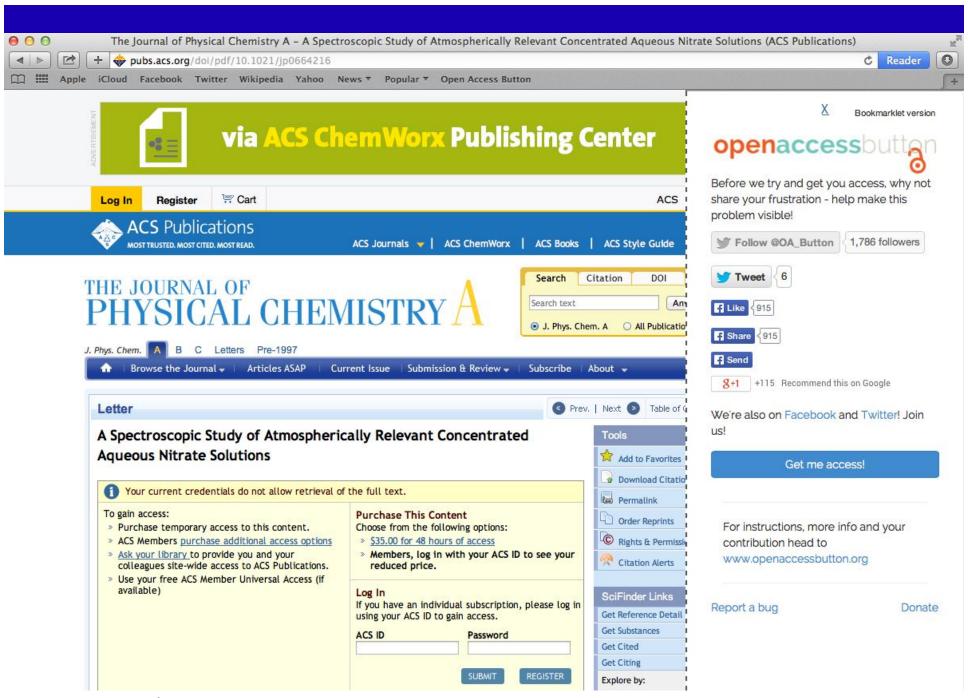
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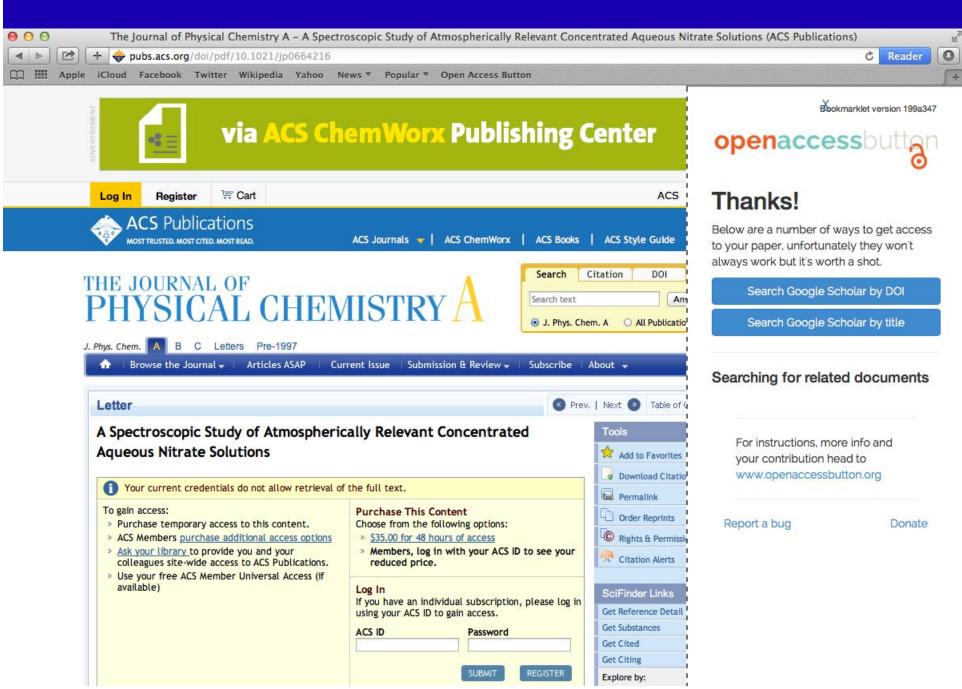


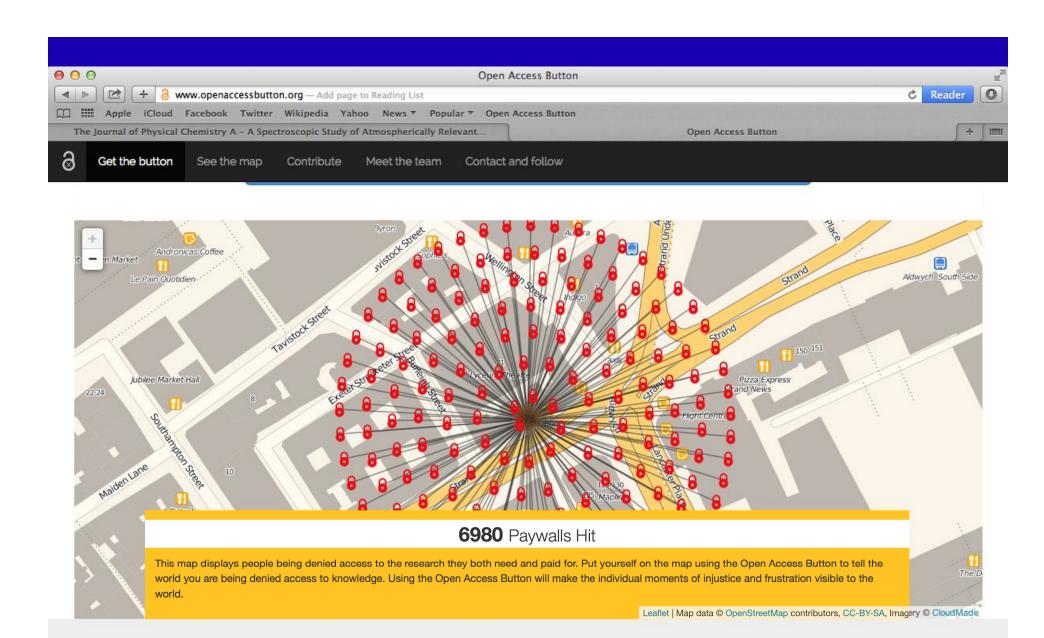


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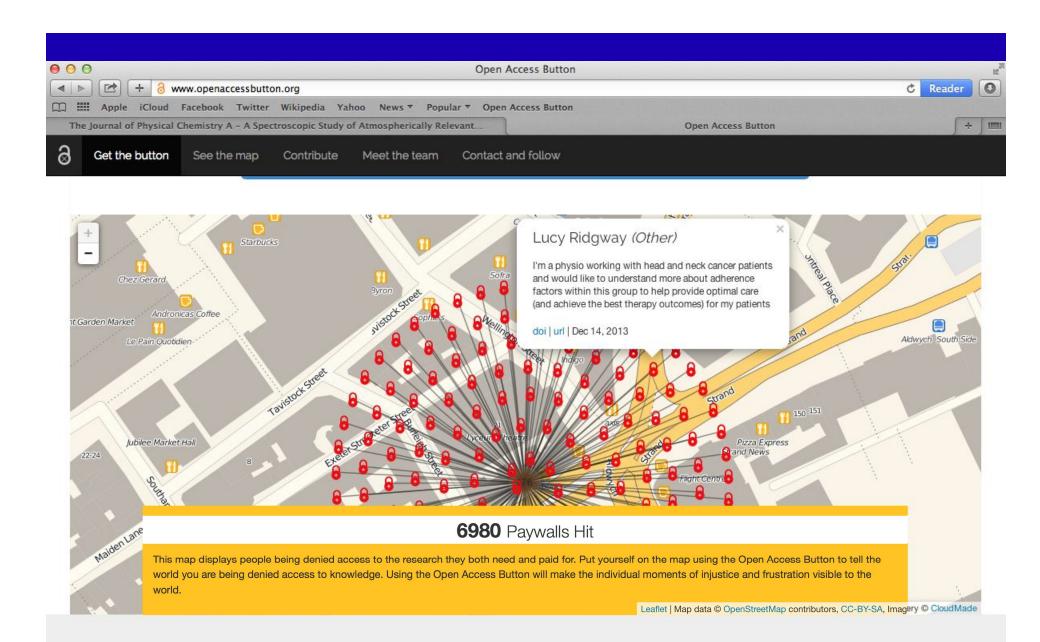








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