Open Access Policy

Open access-policy for scholarly publications at Umeå University (Approved by the Vice-Chancellor on 19 September 2017)

1. Background

Umeå University promotes making all published research outputs free of all restrictions on access as far as possible. This according to the 2013 Berlin Declaration on Open Access signed by the Association of Swedish Higher Education and concordant to the requirements placed by the Swedish Research Council and other research funding bodies.

Basis for the wording of this policy is that it should be as lucid and clear as possible, and that it should be easy for researchers and students to follow.

2. Policy

1. Registering scholarly publications in DiVA

Umeå University researchers are to register all their scholarly publications in the Umeå University academic online archive DiVA (approved by the Vice-Chancellor, reg. no Umu 220-2745-06). Reports and other scholarly publications published by Umeå University should also be registered and deposited in DiVA (approved by the Vice-Chancellor, reg. no. Umu 500-256-03).

2. Open access

Umeå University researchers are recommended to continue to publish their research outputs with open access as far as possible. If this is not done, it is valuable if a full text copy is published openly accessible in DiVA, so-called parallel publication.

3. Dissertations

Dissertations published by Umeå University should also be registered and deposited in DiVA (approved by the Vice-Chancellor, reg. no. Umu 500-256-03). Dissertations should be published electronically in DiVA unless copyright impediments obstruct such from happening.

4. Undergraduate theses

Undergraduate theses produced at Umeå University should be registered and deposited in DiVA. The registered data (author, title, abstract, department, etc.) becomes openly accessible. If the faculty or department recommend a full text publication, such will be arranged if the authors give their approval.