Fisher Digital Publications
Submission Policy and
Requests for Withdrawal or Update of Content
Lavery Library
St. John Fisher College

Introduction:

This document outlines the policies established for the current and future collections residing in Fisher Digital Publications.

Submission Policy / Adding Content:

Fisher Digital Publications is a dynamic institutional repository system, based on the principle of open access, that enables us to collect, distribute to the broader community, and preserve the scholarly output of the faculty, students, staff, and their collaborators at St. John Fisher College. Members of the Fisher community interested in submitting materials should consult with the Fisher Digital Publications Coordinator (fisherpub@sjfc.edu). Appropriate content may be added in accordance with the guidelines below:

- The work must be original, produced and submitted (or sponsored) by a faculty, staff, student, organization, or department of St. John Fisher College.
- The work must be creative, scholarly in nature, research-oriented, or of institutional significance.
- The author must own the copyright to all components and content within the work, or have received and be able to show permission to have the material available in Fisher Digital Publications.
- The author or representative of the organization or department must sign a permission form prior to material being uploaded to the repository, granting the College all rights to distribute and preserve the material via Fisher Digital Publications.
- Contributors may include non-affiliated scholars (e.g., if they are faculty emeriti or hold honorary appointments). Contributors should notify all co-authors of intent to deposit work in Fisher Digital Publications.
- Some material may be available only to current college faculty, staff, and students.
- There is no limit to the size of the material.
- Various file formats are accepted; refer to Digitization Standards (hyperlink?) for more information.
Examples of possible content are:
- Working papers, conference papers, and technical reports
- Student papers or projects
- Faculty-student collaborative projects
- Journals published by the Fisher community
- Published articles when copyright and/or license allow
- Faculty course-related output primarily of scholarly interest
- Organizational annual reports and newsletters
- Data sets

Withdrawal of Content:

Fisher Digital Publications has been established as a permanent repository. Once deposited, an item will not be withdrawn, although under some circumstances, it will be removed from view.

- Authors or affected parties may request that works be removed from Fisher Digital Publications for reasons of factual inaccuracy, plagiarism, or potential copyright infringement.
- Any requests for withdrawal must be sent to the Fisher Digital Publications Coordinator. Requests must state the reason for the withdrawal request, and, in the case of potential copyright infringement, must include the following:
  - A physical or electronic signature of the owner, or authorized agent of the owner, of an exclusive right that has allegedly been infringed
  - Clear identification of the copyrighted work(s) claimed to have been infringed
  - Clear identification of the material in Fisher Digital Publications that is claimed to be infringed, including the URL(s)
  - Reasonably sufficient contact information to allow the Lavery Library to contact the complaining party (a mailing address, telephone number, and, if available, an active email address)
  - A statement that the complaining party has a good-faith belief that use of the material in the manner complained of is not authorized by the copyright owner, its agent, or the law
  - A statement that the information in the notification is accurate, and if applicable, that the complaining party is authorized to act on behalf of the owner of an exclusive right that is allegedly infringed.
- No materials will be removed without an attempt to reach the author.
- The Lavery Library will respond to all questions or requests for withdrawal within a reasonable amount of time, preferably within three business days. If the Lavery Library is not able to determine the use of the work in question is lawful, access to the work through Fisher Digital Publications will be removed.
• If authors who have submitted work to Fisher Digital Publications leave the college, their work will be retained in the archive. If the authors would like to have new contact information added to their material in Fisher Digital Publications, the Fisher Digital Publications Coordinator will assist them in having such information added.

• If a work is withdrawn, a citation including original metadata will always remain, but the work is noted as withdrawn. Sample statements might include “removed at request of author” or “removed by legal order.”

Updating a Work:

The institutional repository is intended to be a permanent scholarly record. Authors may request that updated documents be posted. Posting updated versions along with the original material is the preferred way to show the progress of the work.