

Research Data Management Policy

Advocacy and outreach programme

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Goal 3: To advance UCT as a research-intensive university that makes a distinctive contribution to knowledge, locally and globally



Strategy

- UCT Strategic Planning Framework 2016 – 2019
- Build the capacity for staff across all disciplines to conduct research requiring analysis of high volumes of complex data
- Provide our researcher corps with tailored 21st-century, technologically-enabled research support

Policy

- Open Access Policy 2013
- Research Data Management Policy 2016

Governance

- Ethics in Research Committee
- Research Data Management Governance Committee



Open Science Data Principles

- Publicly funded research data are a public good, which should be made openly available with as few restrictions as possible in a timely and responsible manner.
- Published research results should include information on how to access the supporting data.
- To ensure that the research process is not damaged by premature release of data, associated policies, guidelines and practices ensure that legal, ethical and commercial constraints are considered at all stages in the research process.
- It is appropriate to use public funds to support the management and sharing of publicly-funded research data.



- The data that directly support or *substantiate published research findings*. Such data are required for validation, and should be made available concurrently with the research publication.
- Significant data created by the research project, but which may not directly underpin published research findings. Such data should be made available within the time period indicated by normal practice in the discipline, but the *deferred publication or embargo period* should not exceed two years from the date of project completion.

A *data management plan* should be included in the project proposal, to describe the most significant and potentially valuable data assets to be generated.

RDM Workshop	Stakeholder roles and responsibilities
Request for agenda item to DDB and BfGS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- provide policy outline information- seek approval of suitable wording on data management requirement statement for inclusion in Faculty postgraduate MoU- request for agenda item to Research Faculty Boards
Inform Research Faculty Boards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- provide policy outline information- confirm Faculty representation on RDM Governance Committee (RDMGC)- seek support for inclusion of RDM requirement in MoU- request for agenda item to Faculty Board
Inform Faculty Boards	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- policy outline information- confirm Faculty representation on RDM Governance Committee- share implementation plan via Converis for researchers and PeopleSoft for postgraduate students- request agenda item with Faculty Ethics Committee- request for agenda item to Higher Degrees Committee

Inform Faculty Ethic Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- policy outline information- confirm Faculty representation on RDM Governance Committee- share implementation plan via Converis for researchers and PeopleSoft for postgraduate students- request revision of data management statement in ethics protocols
Inform Faculty Higher Degrees Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- policy outline information- affirm Faculty representation on Governance Committee- share implementation plan via Converis for researchers and PeopleSoft for postgraduate students- request inclusion of approved RDM requirement statement in MoU

Outreach programme

<i>RDM: how does it affect me?</i>	
Open Science	Libraries
Funder mandates	RCIPS / eResearch/ Libraries
NRF statement	RO
NRF requirements for postgraduate grant holders	Deputy Registrar
Grant application process	RCIPS/ eRA
Journal publisher requirements for supplementary data	eResearch
RDM support services available	Libraries

- Develop webpage page with online FAQ 's
- Who is responsible for what...?
 - link to Research Support Hub
 - link to CHED research section for staff
 - link to eResearch site
 - link to Faculty postgraduate support pages



- Conduct RDM information sessions for:
 - Faculty Managers
 - Student Postgrad Faculty Councils
 - Supervisors training course
 - Emerging Researcher Programme



Formal approval

Confirm inclusion of RDM requirement statement in Faculty MoU	Deputy Registrar/ RDMGC
Report back to URC	RDMGC
Submission of policy to SEC/ Senate	URC



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Call for papers

Present a paper, poster
or workshop

Submit your presentation or workshop
abstract by **31 January 2017**
Poster submissions are due **16 April 2017**

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Focus areas

Data storage management

Innovative storage system designs and considerations are required to service the exponential demand for research storage. Research needs a diverse range of cloud and local access mechanisms that must cope with complex and variable data sets, while also supporting high throughput.

Call for papers now open

The eResearch Africa 2017 call for papers is now open. Researchers are invited to submit poster, paper and workshop abstracts showing how they are using IT resources to conduct their work and what methods they have in place to process their data.

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