Charge to the Scholarly Communication Committee

Reports to:

Dean of Library Services. The Committee is appointed by the Dean.

Charge:

- Provide leadership within the Library and University to promote an understanding of, an appreciation for, and action on scholarly communication issues. Identify strategic initiatives and seek to develop partnerships among the Library, faculty, and administration.
  - Contribute to defining the Library’s ongoing role in the University’s scholarly communication efforts.
  - Build on existing campus initiatives, such as the Copyright Policy, Office of Sponsored Programs events, etc., where possible.
- Identify and address educational needs of faculty, staff, and students at the University of Northern Iowa with regards to scholarly communication issues and options.
  - Develop a programmatic plan, defining priorities, tasks, and timelines.
  - Disseminate information about issues in scholarly communication through diverse channels, including web resources, programming, campus events, and direct contacts.
  - Develop outreach and consultation services in support of open access and author’s rights issues.
- Identify and address educational needs of faculty and staff at Rod Library with regard to scholarly communication issues.
- Monitor developments in institutional repositories and contribute to promoting implementation at the University.

The Scholarly Communications Committee may create affiliated working groups as it deems appropriate and necessary.

Membership:

The term of service is 3 years, with staggered terms. The Committee will include 3-4 faculty members. The Library representative to the University Copyright Committee and the Head of Special Services will serve as ex officio members.

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