

Swansea Metropolitan University Research Repository

What is the Repository?

The research repository is an open access online system, based on the DSpace open source software. It is designed to showcase and host the University's scholarly content enabling digital copies of the University's research outputs to be captured, stored, indexed, preserved and distributed via the internet.

How can the Repository help?

Advantages of using the repository include:

- reaching a wider global audience which will increase the citation rates and impact of research work
- fully searchable and easily located via search engines
- provide permanent identifiers for your work and made permanently available on the Web
- enhances the University's research profile and is very important for the Research Excellence Framework (REF)
- depositing your research encourages other researchers to use open access resources and to deposit their own research
- in keeping with the Research Councils UK (RCUK) , the major research councils and other funding bodies have policies requiring that research produced with their funding from now on should be deposited in an open access repository

Who is allowed to deposit material?

You must be a member of staff or postgraduate student of Swansea Metropolitan University to be eligible to deposit an item in the repository. Submission is a quick and easy process. Most types of research can be archived on the repository. Dealing with copyright is simplified by using ROMEQ, the sector wide source of information about publishers copyright policies <http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo/>

Take a look at the guidance for depositing material at <http://dspace.smu.ac.uk/> or please e-mail Anne Harvey, Head of Library & Learning Resource (anne.harvey@smu.ac.uk) for more information.

