

Guidelines for HVL's Open Access fund¹

Purpose

It is a goal to make scientific publications from Western Norway University of Applied Sciences (HVL) Open Access. To encourage this, it is possible to apply for financial support to publish articles and books Open Access.

Who can apply?

- The applicant must be an employee or a student at HVL and credit HVL in the publication.
- Only corresponding authors may apply for funding.

What can I apply for?

- You can apply for support to cover processing charges for pure Open Access publications; i.e. pure Open Access journals, scientific Open Access monographs and scientific articles/chapters in pure Open Access anthologies (not textbooks).
- If an application for support to publish an Open Access article is granted, the full APC (Article Processing Charge) is covered.
- If an application for support to publish a scientific Open Access monograph or a scientific article/chapter in a pure Open Access anthology is granted, the funding is based on the cost of the publication and the proportion of HVL authors.
- Research funded by the Norwegian Research Council is eligible for support from the fund, as the NRC finances part of the fund. However, the fund has as a general rule that articles built on externally funded research should be covered by the external funders that funded the research itself. It is extremely important that researchers include such costs in their funding applications.
- Funding is not granted for additional costs (colour print, English editing charge, additional illustrations/pages etc.).
- Funding is **not** granted to hybrid journals where the author can pay a fee to an otherwise subscription-based journal to make an **individual** article Open Access (hybrid Open Access).

¹ This is a translation of the document approved by the Gro Anita Fonnes Flaten, the Pro-Rector for Research, March 2019; this English language version has not been formally approved.

Conditions for financial support

- If you want the fund to cover the processing charges, you should as a general rule apply for funding **before** signing a contract with the publisher.
- The publication channel (the journal or the book publisher) must be ranked level 1 or 2 in [the Norwegian Register for Scientific Journals, Series and Publishers](#).
- The journal must be registered in the Directory of Open Access Journals, [DOAJ](#).
- Publications receiving support shall, if possible, be published under a [Creative Commons license](#).
- Articles receiving support shall be registered in and uploaded to CRISTin for archiving in [HVL Open](#).

The guidelines can be changed without notice, but changes will not be retroactive.