

Partner Submission Integration

From Dryad

This page details the process for partner journals to integrate their manuscript processing systems with Dryad submissions. (Associate partners and non-partners are not eligible for submission integration.)

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Initial meeting

The initial meeting can take place at any time. Simply contact the Dryad administrators (mailto:admin@datadryad.org) to schedule a meeting.

Issues to discuss include:

- How integration works with existing journals.
- The point in manuscript processing at which the journal will submit metadata to Dryad.
- Format and content of metadata transferred to Dryad.
- Method for communicating updates to the metadata (e.g., how to complete information about the issue number and DOI for the article, since these may not be available at the time the article is accepted)
- How to enable links to Dryad from publication pages.

Metadata Integration

The schedule for integration largely depends on the partner journal, but the process will typically require at least 2 months.

1. Journal enables initial metadata transfer.
 - Metadata transfer typically involves two types of submissions: descriptions of each article as it is accepted, and table-of-contents information for each issue as it is published.
 - Dryad tests metadata transfer and may ask for adjustments.
2. Dryad enables metadata import for authors.
3. Journal representatives test import system, present concerns.
4. Dryad updates import process based on concerns.
5. Dryad and/or journal representatives ask a few authors to test the system.
6. Any issues uncovered in author testing are resolved.

Workflow Integration

Once the metadata integration is complete, Dryad can become a part of the journal's normal workflow. As above, the schedule for integration is largely up to the journal, with a minimum time of 1 month.

1. Journal representatives approve import system and add Dryad submission URLs to acceptance letters, asking authors to voluntarily submit data.
2. Dryad provides journal with list of all pre-existing handles for the journal's articles in Dryad.
3. Dryad begins to send handles to journal as new datasets are deposited.
4. Journal begins to display Dryad links on article pages.
5. Dryad and journal agree on any extra workflow needed to ensure eventual enforcement of deposit requirements.

Making submission mandatory

When the Dryad management board decides to implement mandatory data deposit, journal applies appropriate policies to verify that deposits are received. Dryad will provide any information the journal may need to verify deposits, but policy enforcement is the responsibility of the journal.

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