AC RESEARCH SUPPORT NEWSLETTER

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*Welcome to the **fourth edition** of the Academic Commons research support newsletter! This report introduces you to tools to assist with your research, highlights support available at every stage of the process, and invites you to events related to research and publishing. The resources outlined in this newsletter are available to all faculty, clinicians, students, and staff through a site-wide license paid for by the Thomas Jefferson University libraries. Visit the [University Library websites](#) and the [Academic Commons website](#) to access these tools and support.*

New Resources

Researchers in LGBTQ history and law, gender stereotypes, and feminist theory now have a new tool to help in their work – **LGBTQ+ Source**. The [EBSCO database](#) includes over 900 journals, eBooks, and videos.

If you're using **NVivo 12**, please upgrade to the NVivo March 2020 release. Visit the library software list for [download and activation information](#). NVivo is software that organizes and analyzes qualitative data.

Beginning later this fall, all library website users visiting the site remotely (off-campus) will see a new interface – **OpenAthens.** OpenAthens is an **institutional login** that leverages TJU's central identity management systems. The process for remote access of electronic resources, like eBooks and journals, will change slightly, but it will not impact your permissions. More information on OpenAthens and what to expect will be posted on the library website soon.

Grants & Funding

If you are publishing in an open access journal, join the 89 other Jefferson authors who have utilized the **Jefferson Open Access Publishing Fund**. The fund provides authors up to $2,500 to help over the cost of Article Processing Charges (APC). Since 2018, over $179,000 has been awarded to authors, which helped get 107 articles published in 76 journals. [Apply for funding](#) and check out the [authors](#) supported by the fund so far.

If you're looking for funding opportunities in your field of study, check out **Pivot-PR**, the [popular grant search engine.](#) Sign up to receive weekly emails for grants that meet your research interests.

Statistical Tools

SAS recently joined the University Libraries list of powerful statistical software tools. SAS is used for data analysis and visualization and helps with data management. Use SAS to write reports and create graphics, conduct operations research, and manage your projects. [Learn more about SAS](#) and [download SAS](#) by logging in with your Campus Key. You'll receive a download link with instructions.
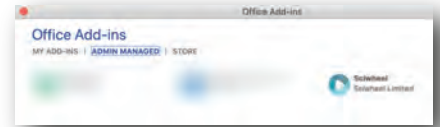
*   **CORRECTION:** *In the Spring newsletter, we stated the SPSS subscription was upgraded to Premium. The version to download for personal devices remains the standard edition.*

Citation Tools

*Two popular reference manager tools have recently created Microsoft Office Add-ins: **Sciwheel** and **RefWorks**.*

Sciwheel discontinued support for its Word plug-in and desktop app in August of this year and replaced the plug-in with their new Microsoft Word 365 add-in. Read more about the changes. The add-in is available for activation immediately to students, but staff using a Jefferson-provided license for Word will first need to request that IS&T provide the Sciwheel Word 365 add-in via the IS&T Service Now portal. Once the request has been completed, activate the plug-in from Office Add-ins > Admin Managed. Learn more on the library website.

RefWorks also now has a Microsoft Office Add-in. For those using the Jefferson license, the Add-in is available to all students in the "admin managed" area. Staff and faculty can have it added by placing an IS&T service request.

Publishing & Communication

Faculty and staff can consult the **Office for Professional Writing, Publishing, and Communication** for free editing support and assistance at any stage of their writing, publishing, or presentation development process. Either sign up for a one-on-one consultation or join the OPWPC at an upcoming workshop (details below).
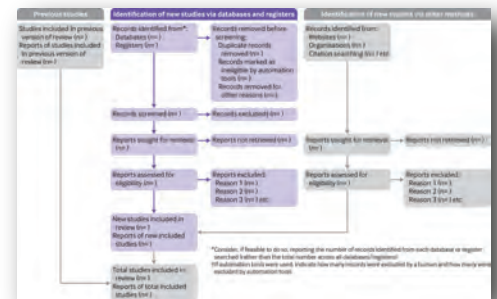
Faculty looking to submit their work for publication this summer and need help finding the right venue for their work should reach out to **Daniel.Verbit@jefferson.edu** to schedule a planning meeting.

The **Jefferson Digital Commons (JDC)** serves as Jefferson's open access institutional repository. It's a great resource to share your scholarly work and that of other faculty, staff, and students. The JDC recently hit a significant milestone, celebrating over 6 million downloads!

Support

Are you planning a systematic review, scoping review, or other knowledge synthesis project? Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses (PRISMA) released their first update since the 2009 edition and a new extension, PRISMA-S, for reporting search strategies. Learn about the updated guidelines in PRISMA 2020.

Librarians can assist with your research questions. Contact us for consultations on using library resources or funding searches. Visit our website or contact AskGutman@jefferson.edu to get started.

Educational Workshops

Until further notice, all events will be held online. Click the title for more information and to register.

Book Club: The Engaged Scholar
Thursdays this fall starting October 7
To register: email Daniel.Verbit@jefferson.edu

Responding to Reviewers' Comments
Wednesday, October 13, 1-2 p.m.

**Leveraging Open Educational Resources (OER) and Open Pedagogy
to Support Students and Promote Educational Equity**
Tuesday, October 26, 12-1 p.m.

Evidence Synthesis for Evidence-Based Teaching
Friday, October 29, 12-1 p.m.