

Meiji University Open Access Policy

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(Intent /Purpose)

1. Meiji University (hereinafter referred to as “the University”) promotes an international level of research by “individuals” and by the solidarity among them under the spirit of foundation of the University (i.e., “Rights and Liberty, Independence and Self-government”) and contributes the results thus achieved to society. By devoting itself to these activities, the University has fulfilled its mission of “realizing a free, peaceful, and affluent society through creating intellect and fostering human resources.”

The University herein formulates the Meiji University Open Access Policy (hereinafter referred to as “this Policy”) and makes the research results created at the University public broadly inside and outside of the University. Further, the University permanently guarantees the access to such research results and is determined to keep contributing thereby to further development of academic research and to sustainable development of the society.

(Making Research Results Public)

2. Through the Meiji University Academic Repository (hereinafter referred to as “Repository”), the University makes public the research results that were made by the faculty and staff registered with the University (hereinafter referred to as “Faculty”) and were published in the academic journals, bulletins, or similar publications issued by publisher, academic society or association, or undergraduate school, graduate school, research institute, etc. of the University (such research results hereinafter referred to as “Research Results”). However, the copyrights of the Research Results are not transferred to the University.

(Exceptions of Application)

3. If it is inappropriate to make particular Research Results public through the Repository for an unavoidable reason such as the copyright, the University does not make them public.

(Non-retroactive Application)

4. This Policy does not apply to the Research Results published before this Policy comes into effect and the Research Results for which a contract contradictory to this Policy is concluded.

(Registration to the Repository)

5. Each of the Faculty provides the University with an appropriate version of his/her Research Results that allows for registration into the Repository as soon as possible. The matters concerning the Repository such as the registration into the Repository and publishing on the

Repository are carried out in accordance with the “Operational Guidelines for the Meiji University Academic Repository.”

(Miscellaneous)

6. Any matter necessary for the open access in addition to the provisions provided for in this Policy is determined upon consultation between those who are concerned.

(Supplementary Provisions)

This Policy comes into effect as of December 5, 2019.