

LYRASIS Open Access Community Investment Program

The LYRASIS Open Access Community Investment Program (OACIP) is a community-driven framework that enables multiple stakeholders to efficiently and strategically evaluate and collectively fund open access content initiatives. The program is designed to:

- Facilitate an experimental incubation space for emerging open access funding and business models;
- Centralize the administration and funding of open access initiatives or programs at multiple scales and make transparent to the community at large who is participating in each investment community.
- Provide a funding hub for more bespoke programs, output from smaller publishers, and niche scholarly output to maintain diversity of scholarship.
- Enable investors to make principled, data-driven spending or reinvestment decisions and strategically fund individual programs or distribute funds to multiple programs that align with their missions all in one place, increasing efficiencies and convenience.

The Pilot Project

LYRASIS, in partnership with Transitioning Society Publications to Open Access (TSPOA), has launched a pilot project to test the viability, scalability, and sustainability of OACIP, by coordinating crowd-sourced investment opportunities for two journals. This pilot seeks to supply potential investors with publishers' and editorial boards' responses to generative investment criteria, so that they can evaluate the propriety of investment relative to how and whether the responses satisfy their investment values and principles.

How to Participate

You can participate by visiting the pages of the following pilot project programs to review the participating journals' criteria responses, evaluate whether the investment opportunity makes sense for your organization, and commit funds. The investment window is open now through **June 30, 2021**.

Environmental Humanities is an open access journal published by Duke University Press that is seeking investment for editorial services to support an additional OA journal issue each year for five years.

- **Funding Goal:** \$30,000

Combinatorial Theory is a new open access mathematics journal, expecting its first issue in early 2021. It is owned by mathematicians and dedicated to open access publishing, with no fees for authors or readers. The journal is seeking funding to support editorial and software costs each year for five years.

- **Funding Goal:** \$25,000

For additional information or to make pledge please email sharla.lair@lyrasis.org



LYRASIS Open Access Programs

LYRASIS supports a variety of Open Access (OA) initiatives and programs that create inclusive opportunities for diverse institutions to engage with an evolving scholarly communication and publishing landscape.

Program Partners and Initiatives

- **Annual Reviews Subscribe-to-Open** - Subscribe-to-Open allows institutions to subscribe to Annual Reviews (AR) in the normal fashion and if enough revenue is collected, AR converts selected journals to OA
- **Central European University Press Opening the Future** - Books about the history of communism and transitions to democracy transitioning to an OA monograph program
- **Demography: A Platinum Open Access Journal** - A journal re-establishing itself as open access with non-APC funding
- **DOAB/OAPEN Membership** - Infrastructure service for open access scholarly books
- **Knowledge Unlatched** - Books, journals, and infrastructure across multiple disciplines and publishers
- **LYRASIS United Nations Sustainable Development Goals Fund** - Supporting books on topics that address global challenges such as peace, equity, and climate change
- **Open Access Community Investment Program (OACIP)** - A community-driven framework that enables multiple stakeholders to efficiently and strategically evaluate and collectively fund open access.
 - **Environmental Humanities Platinum Open Access Journal** - A non-APC open access journal seeking funding to support an additional journal each year
 - **Combinatorial Theory Diamond Open Access Journal** - A journal whose editorial board left a large commercial publisher to establish a new non-APC open access journal
- **Open Library of the Humanities** - A non-APC path for libraries to support humanities-focused OA peer-reviewed journal content
- **Punctum Books Supporting Library Membership Program** - An open access independent publisher seeking support to sustainably publish books with no publication fees for authors
- **SCOAP3** - Physics journal articles and books
- In addition to open access initiatives, we also enable support for open research infrastructure through the **ORCID US Community** and the **LYRASIS DataCite US Community** programs.

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Join the **LYRopen listserv** to stay abreast of news regarding existing and new OA program partners as well as updates about emerging and continuing OA developments from around the world.

