

Launching “Information Research Communications”

Welcome to the inaugural issue of “Information Research Communications” (IRC), a scholarly journal that marks the beginning of a journey into the dynamic realms of information science, research communication, and technology. As the founding editor, it is with great excitement and a sense of responsibility that I introduce this platform dedicated to fostering knowledge dissemination, interdisciplinary collaboration, and innovation in the ever-evolving landscape of information.

Setting the Stage for IRC

Launching a new journal is not just about adding another publication to the academic landscape; it's about creating a vibrant space where researchers, scholars, and practitioners can converge to explore, share, and advance our understanding of information in all its facets. “Information Research Communications” is born out of the recognition that the fields of information science and research communication are interconnected and continuously shape and reshape each other.

Our Mission and Scope

At IRC, our mission is clear: to serve as a catalyst for the exchange of cutting-edge ideas, research findings, and technological advancements in information research and communications. The scope of the journal is expansive, encompassing but not limited to information retrieval, data analytics, knowledge management, digital communication, and the evolving landscape of scholarly communication. We aim to be a conduit for interdisciplinary dialogue, welcoming contributions from diverse fields, including information science, computer science, communication studies, and beyond.

Embracing Open Access and Collaboration

IRC is committed to the principles of open access, ensuring that the knowledge shared within its pages is freely accessible to a global audience. We believe that unrestricted access to information is crucial for fostering innovation, empowering researchers, and addressing societal challenges. Open access promotes collaboration and democratizes knowledge, aligning with the ethos of inclusivity that IRC upholds.

The Editorial Team

Assembling a dedicated and diverse editorial team is fundamental to the success of any academic journal. I am honored to be working alongside a team of esteemed editors and reviewers who bring a wealth of expertise in various facets of information science and research communication. Our editorial board is committed to maintaining the highest standards of scholarly integrity and providing constructive feedback to authors.

Author Guidelines and Ethical Standards

For IRC to fulfill its mission, the research published must meet rigorous standards of quality and ethics. Authors are encouraged to familiarize themselves with our author guidelines, ensuring the proper citation of sources, adherence to ethical considerations, and the use of inclusive and accessible language. Ethical research conduct is at the heart of IRC, and we expect our contributors to uphold the highest standards in their work.

The Inaugural Issue

As we launch this journal on January 1st, 2024, the inaugural issue is a testament to the diversity of thought and the richness of research in the field. From articles exploring the ethical implications of emerging technologies to studies on the impact of digital communication on information-seeking behavior, each contribution represents a valuable addition to the scholarly discourse.

Looking Ahead

The journey of IRC is just beginning, and we invite researchers, academics, and practitioners to be part of this exciting venture. Whether you are submitting your work, joining our editorial board, or engaging with the content, your participation is crucial to the success and impact of this journal. We are committed to continuous improvement, responsive to the evolving needs of the academic community, and dedicated to fostering a collaborative and inclusive environment.



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Closing Thoughts

In conclusion, “Information Research Communications” is more than just a journal; it is a community of thinkers, innovators, and communicators shaping the future of information. As we embark on this journey together, I am confident that IRC will become

a beacon for those passionate about exploring the intricacies of information and communication in our rapidly changing world.

Thank you for being part of this momentous occasion. Here’s to the beginning of a new chapter in scholarly communication!

Sincerely,

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