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Michigan Publishing and ScienceOpen begin a new partnership around the University of Michigan Press’ Open Access Books

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ScienceOpen is very pleased to announce a new partnership with Michigan Publishing, starting with the University of Michigan Press’ open access books. The University of Michigan Press (UMP) is a leading publisher and distributor of books and digital projects in the humanities and social sciences that are aligned with the strengths of its parent institution. ScienceOpen has worked to showcase the Press’ titles as part of a featured Collection within its discovery environment and provide expert technical services such as metadata enhancement.

This partnership has begun with the integration of over 240 book records from the Press onto the platform. ScienceOpen has worked with Michigan Publishing to update and deliver rich metadata including abstracts and machine-readable open access license information to Crossref for increased discoverability.

University of Michigan Press is the flagship imprint of Michigan Publishing, publishing highly curated and peer-reviewed monographs in the humanities and qualitative social sciences. Areas of particular focus are performing arts and media studies; classical studies; political science; American studies (especially disability and class studies); and Asian studies.

Stephanie Dawson, ScienceOpen CEO, says, “It has been a pleasure working with Michigan Publishing. The University of Michigan Press’ open access books greatly enrich the book content on ScienceOpen, which is rapidly expanding each day, and we have learned a great deal about the metadata needs of university presses. We hope that this partnership can develop further and lead to future opportunities to keep driving our mission of accelerating science communication and knowledge transfer.”

Charles Watkinson, Director of University of Michigan Press, adds, “ScienceOpen helps books, not just articles, become better recognized as core resources for open research and scholarship. The long-form works that University of Michigan Press authors create (often combining text with multimedia) are vital. They provide authoritative context for addressing the central social, cultural, and political issues that face humanity. They are too important not to be fully discoverable.”

Michigan Publishing is committed to making the publications and electronic media it is responsible for accessible to the broadest possible audience. ScienceOpen is proud to be able to aid the organization in its mission to increase the dissemination of its authors’ scholarship to an international audience.
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**About ScienceOpen:**

From promotional collections to full publishing capabilities, ScienceOpen provides a wide range of services to academic publishers, researchers, and users in an interactive discovery platform. ScienceOpen was founded in 2013 in Berlin and Boston by Alexander Grossmann and Tibor Tscheke to propel academic communication towards open access models.

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**About Michigan Publishing:**

Michigan Publishing brings together three entities to serve the changing needs of scholars: University of Michigan Press, Michigan Publishing Services, and Deep Blue Repository and Research Data Services. Together, they engage with a spectrum of publishing needs across the life cycle of scholarly communication and provide guidance and assistance to the University community.

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