Yokohama National University Open Access Policy

Approved by the President on February 8, 2018

(Objective)

Yokohama National University (hereinafter "the University") establishes the Open Access Policy as follows in order to respond to a mandate from society by making scholarly information, etc. produced in education and research activities of the University publicly available internally and externally and thereby contribute to the further development of international scholarly research.

(Open Access to Scholarly Articles, etc.)

The University offers open access to the scholarly articles, etc. of faculty members of the University through the Yokohama National University Repository (hereinafter "the Repository") or by other means that may be chosen by the authors of such articles. However, ownership of the copyright of the scholarly articles, etc. will not be transferred to the University.

(Non-retroactive)

This policy will not apply to the scholarly articles, etc. published prior to its implementation, or contractually conflicting with it.

(Opting Out)

If open access via the Repository is chosen, the University has the right to make a specific article not open to the public upon request of the author due to unavoidable reasons such as relevant copyright.

(Submission of Scholarly Articles, etc.)

A faculty member who has chosen open access to his or her scholarly articles, etc. via the Repository will provide an appropriate version that is permitted to be registered with the Repository, such as the author's final manuscript, to the University free of charge at the earliest possible time. Matters related to the operation of the Repository will be handled in accordance with the Yokohama National University Repository Operational Guidelines.

(Other Matters)

Open access issues unstated in this policy will be discussed among the parties concerned.