Why should you publish your work in DigitalCommons@Linfield?

What are some of the advantages to publishing your work in DigitalCommons@Linfield?

- Increased visibility for your scholarship and creative works
- Preservation and access to content through a permanent URL
- Promotion of open access principles
  - Scholarly communication depends on access to research
  - Sharing your work encourages others to share
  - Providing direct access to articles and other content for users around the globe improves opportunities for knowledge exchange
- Monthly download reports to monitor usage and citations to your work
- Ability for students to link to their work in applications for graduate school or jobs
- Advancement of Linfield’s academic reputation
- Promotion of underutilized scholarship, including student work
- Opportunities to learn more about intellectual property, copyright, and author rights

What about plagiarism?

- Every entry in the repository has a link to the Rights and Terms of Use
  - Users are reminded the content they are viewing belongs to someone else
  - Users can clearly see how they are allowed to use that content
- Depositing content into a repository and having to consider terms of use promotes conversations about author rights and understanding of copyright
- It’s harder for individuals to get away with plagiarizing open access content because plagiarism-checking search engines will crawl and index your work

What are my options?

- Open Access:
  - Full text, abstracts, and associated descriptive information about your work are available to anyone in the world with an Internet connection
- Limited Access:
  - Full text is available only to the Linfield community
  - Full text is embargoed (for up to 5 years), after which time access becomes open or limited to the Linfield community only. Embargos can be useful if you are planning to publish your work in a journal in the future.
  - Abstracts and associated descriptive information about your work remain fully discoverable