

BePress/Digital Commons

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(or your local rep)

Hello,

My institution is a customer of BePress & Digital Commons, and we are also an ORCID member through the [ORCID US Community](#). I am reaching out to request that BePress add authenticated ORCID iD functionality to BePress & Digital Commons.

Currently, the form field for ORCID that requires manual entry of an ORCID iD does not meet our needs. Manual entry of an ORCID iD leaves room for error and typos, and does not allow for transfer of data between ORCID and the BePress Digital Commons system.

Ideally, BePress could build in an option for institutions to either use the Public or Member ORCID API to gather authenticated ORCID iDs to link to authors in Digital Commons, thereby ensuring that the ORCID iDs collected are accurate. The ability to use Member API credentials could also allow institutions to write works to the researcher's ORCID record, saving time and reducing administrative burden for both researchers and research administrators. Additionally, it would be helpful to be able to pull in other data that may be present on a researcher's ORCID record, to get a better idea of their other activities and affiliations in association with their Digital Commons profile, again, saving time and reducing the administrative burden of name disambiguation and asking researchers to fill out forms.

I'd like to recommend that Digital Commons incorporate the following additional ORCID functionality to make the software more valuable to the strategic directions of my institution:

- ORCID button to log into BePress Digital Commons using ORCID credentials (<https://members.orcid.org/api/integrate/orcid-sign-in>)
- Pull, push, and sync (on demand and/or automatically, whichever the user chooses) between ORCID and Digital Commons for Bio, Keywords, Education, Invited Positions and Distinctions, Membership and Service, Funding, and Works

Making the ORCID API integration bi-directional (push and pull) and synchronization maximally efficient (on demand or automated/periodic) would be a tremendous win-win for Digital Commons' features and for our campus ORCID efforts.

For more information about the ORCID API and how this functionality would work, please contact our ORCID US Community staff at orcidus@lyrasis.org.

Many thanks for your time and consideration.