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| **Subject:** | ORCID IDs for BGS Students |
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Dear BGS Student,

Many of you already know about ORCID and may have obtained an ORCID account.

For those of you who don’t know, ORCID is a way of managing your publications and other scholarly activity. It’s free to use and integrates well with other citation databases, including PubMed and Scopus, and many publishers and some grant funders now require an ORCID ID for submissions. The ORCID ID is assigned directly to the individual and therefore a user can keep updating it as they move from one institution to the next. More information is available on the [ORCID website](https://orcid.org/) and in [this review](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5370620/). An example of an ORCID profile of a recent BGS grad is available [here](http://orcid.org/0000-0002-0553-674X). Note that [Penn’s Annenberg Public Policy Center](http://www.annenbergpublicpolicycenter.org/scholars-and-editors-propose-authorship-standards-for-scientific-journals/) recently convened a group of leading scholars and editors regarding authorship standards, and the group recommended the use of ORCID.

For many years, BGS has tried to keep track of student publications, fellowship awards, and other scholarly activity for a variety of purposes, including training grant renewals, graduate group reviews, and documentation of graduate student contributions to faculty research programs. Automated PubMed searches can help, but they are fallible. One challenge is that many students continue to publish research relating to their dissertation beyond graduation, after moving to a new institution and maybe even changing their name.

Penn Libraries recently purchased an institutional ORCID license, which will allow for easy aggregate reporting on demand. However, for BGS to make good use of this opportunity, **we will need all BGS students to a) obtain an ORCID ID,  b) either make their profile public or** [**list Penn as a trusted party**](https://support.orcid.org/knowledgebase/articles/131598)**, and c) provide us with their ID number.**

**Please take a few minutes to register for an ORCID ID**, listing Penn as a trusted party if you choose not to make your profile public: <https://support.orcid.org/knowledgebase/articles/460004-getting-started-with-your-orcid-record>

**Once you have your ORCID ID, please complete this Google form to provide it to us**:   <https://goo.gl/forms/NH8QOanYoaEycHzG2>

Thank you very much. We hope that you will find having an ORCID ID to be useful, and we appreciate your help in our efforts to keep track of your scholarly accomplishments.

I'm writing to follow up on my email from this morning.  Thanks very much to those of you who have already created an ORCID account and shared your ORCID ID via the google form.  I apologize for the confusion regarding the designation of Penn as a trusted party.  I checked today with a colleague in the Biomedical Library, who told me that Penn is not yet set up from a developer standpoint to be a trusted party (even though we have an institutional license).  So please ignore that part of the request for now.  We will follow up with you later once that mechanism is available.    
  
Thanks again for your help with this project, and sorry if you wasted any time trying to figure out the trusted party aspect.

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