



# Depositing Data in the MacEwan University Data Repository

## Creating an Account and Depositing Your First Dataset

### 1. Create Account

Go to [borealisdata.ca](https://borealisdata.ca) and click on **Login** (top right).

Click on **Sign Up** to create an account. Find MacEwan University in the dropdown and click **Continue**.

Right away you can deposit data into The Data Repository - [borealisdata.ca/dataverse/macewan](https://borealisdata.ca/dataverse/macewan).

If you need to deposit into another repository or would like to create a stand-alone Collection for your project or research group, please contact [digitalscholarship@macewan.ca](mailto:digitalscholarship@macewan.ca).

### 2. Add & Edit Data

**Login**

You will be redirected to the MacEwan Data Repository.

#### Select the Dataverse Collection

Choose the Dataverse Collection you want to deposit data into.

You can find the list of Dataverse Collections you have permission to deposit to via:

- **My Data** (in the dropdown menu from your account name in the upper right).

#### Create a new dataset

Click **+Add Data** and choose **New Dataset** from the dropdown menu.

- Select a dataset Template for the desired Creative Commons license (default license is CC0).
- *Be aware: selecting a template will clear all other data fields, so do this first.*

Fill in **Required Metadata** fields marked with a \*

*Note: many more metadata fields become available for editing after your dataset is saved.*

- If desired, fill in additional metadata fields.  
**RECOMMENDED:** Keywords, Related Publications.

You can save the dataset without adding any files.

#### Upload data files

The **Files** section is at the bottom of the page, below the Citation Metadata.

- Drag and drop files from your desktop or click **+Select Files to Add**.
- Max file size: 3 GB. If your files are too large, try putting them into a .zip file, or contact [digitalscholarship@macewan.ca](mailto:digitalscholarship@macewan.ca).
- Describe the files: Title, Description, Tags.

#### Save Changes

Click Save Changes. This saves the dataset in Draft form; it is not yet published nor publicly visible.

- Once a dataset is published, a DOI is assigned automatically to permanently identify it. You can also assign a private URL to share with a journal without publishing the data. Contact [digitalscholarship@macewan.ca](mailto:digitalscholarship@macewan.ca) for help.

#### Edit your dataset

You can edit elements of your dataset at any time using the **Files**, **Metadata**, and **Terms** (license and use permissions) tabs at the bottom of the page.

Files can also be **Restricted** so that they are available only on request. Contact [digitalscholarship@macewan.ca](mailto:digitalscholarship@macewan.ca) to learn how.

### 3. Publish Dataset

Depending on your user permissions, you will have a button for either:

- Submit for Review (the draft dataset is reviewed by Library Data Services staff prior to publication).
- Publish (makes the dataset publicly available).

Changes made to Files, Metadata, or Terms **after publishing** your dataset will be saved as a Draft version. **Click Publish again** to make the changes go live; the new version will supersede the old.

Admin assistance is needed to un-publish a dataset, so be sure before Submitting or Publishing.

### 4. Cite Dataset

The data citation is generated based on the required metadata you entered. It's displayed in a blue box below the dataset title and version #.

Copy and paste, or use the **Cite Dataset** button to export the citation into EndNote, RIS, or Bibtex.