Publishing your book: ANU E Press

The options, the differences, and the benefits

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Interested in writing a book and having it published?

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• How ANU E Press can help you
• What is the digital repository?
The book
Idea

• Think, think and think
• Ask your peers
• Work on a proposal – tips, a dissertation is not a book
• Review
• The importance of titles
Top Five Tips for Turning Your Dissertation Into a Book

1. Write the dissertation as a book to begin with
2. Make it short
3. Know your market
4. Don’t be boring
5. Remember that your committee is not the world

From “The Professor is in” blog
The options—commercial publishers and ANU E Press

ANU E Press
peer-reviewed research publications

ANU eTEXT
open access electronic textbooks

ANU eView
non-refereed University publications

ANU Digital Collections
safe, permanent, accessible
Which option is for you?

- Writing a book? Is it scholarly and are you affiliated with ANU?
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- Writing a textbook? Interested in making it more interactive?
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- Are you involved in student writing and part of an undergrad journal on campus?
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- Do you have preprints, post-prints, technical reports, or working papers you would like published? Completed your PhD thesis?
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ANU E Press

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