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FACULTY OF BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT SCIENCES

GUIDE TO PUBLISHING IN HIGH IMPACT JOURNALS & BOOKS: SCIMAGO & OTHER PLATFORMS

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3. Biomed Central: <https://www.biomedcentral.com/getpublished/article-processing-charges/open-access-waiver-fund>
4. PLOS: <https://www.plos.org/fee-assistance>
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5. Open Humanities Press: <http://openhumanitiespress.org/>
6. Athabasca University Press by a Canadian University: <http://www.aupress.ca/>
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