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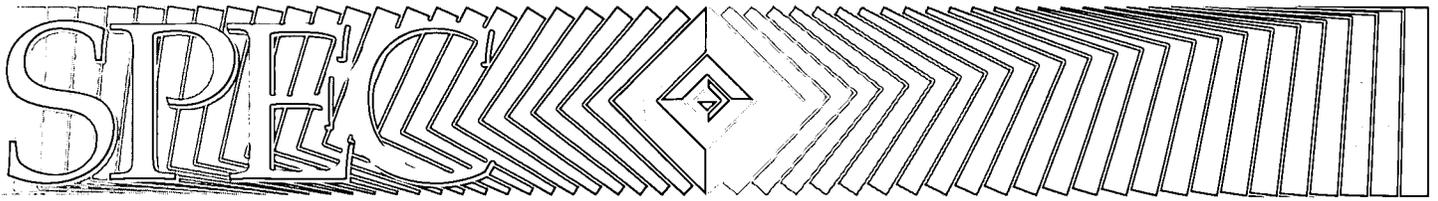
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ABSTRACT

The Systems and Procedures Exchange Center (SPEC) surveyed Association of Research Libraries (ARL) institutions to measure the degree of electronic resource sharing in ARL libraries; to discover which resources are being shared and between what kinds of institutions; and what documentation is available. Of the 119 ARL institutions surveyed, 53 responses were received, out of which 39 institutions completed the entire survey and reported sharing electronic resources. Data revealed that 46% of responding institutions implemented electronic resource sharing in the last 1-3 years. The most frequently shared electronic information resource is the tape-loaded index. The most frequently cited motivations to share were "enrichment of resources available to all participants" (97%) and "cost" (87%). Improved technology and the desire to test technical capabilities were also important motivations. Generally, costs of subscriptions and telecommunications are borne by individual institutions, while one institution maintains the database. Change in the area of electronic resources is occurring more rapidly than in any other area affecting libraries. Survey results are followed by a list of responding institutions, a description of selected electronic resource sharing groups, a consortial agreement from North Carolina State University, and an alphabetical listing of electronic research databases at Ohio University. (Contains 33 references.) (SWC)

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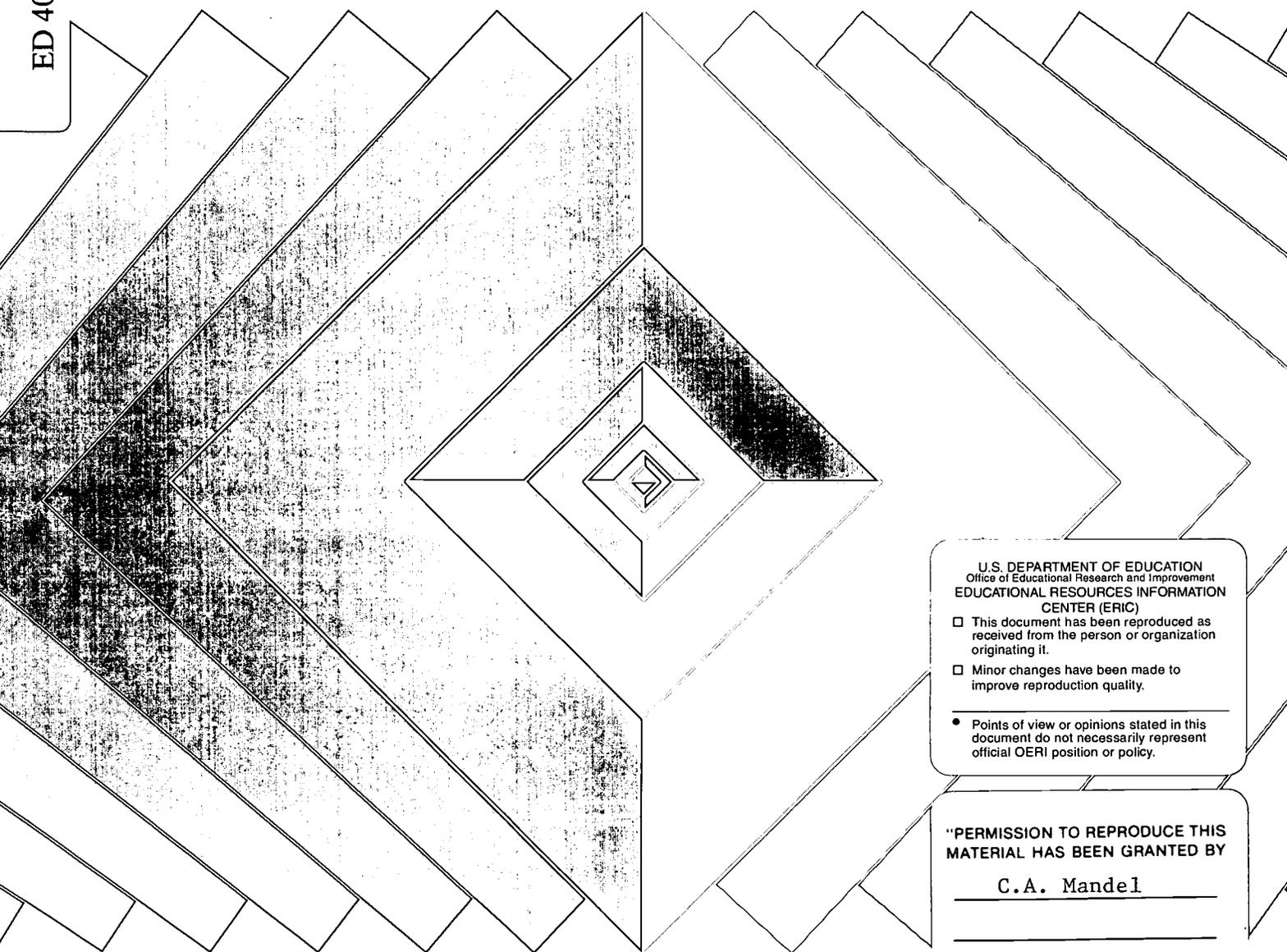


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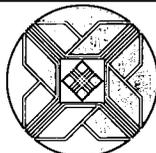
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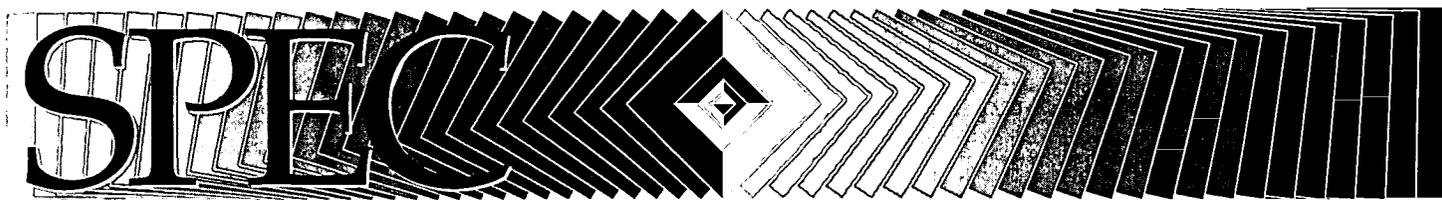


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INTRODUCTION

A preliminary overview of recent literature about libraries and cooperation, networking, and resource-sharing reveals that much of this literature is devoted to promoting resource sharing, and very little to actual accounts or procedures. Particularly when this survey was begun, literature about electronic resource sharing was even more scarce.

Electronic resource sharing was defined as the use in common by two or more libraries or information centers of any tangible or intangible assets including equipment, facilities, personnel, knowledge, or expertise needed to access shared electronic information resources. Since this practice frequently begins within an institution and spreads outward to other libraries and locations, eventually forming groups of various sizes and kinds of libraries, this survey looked for some of these early indications of electronic resource sharing which included use of fax machines and other telecommunication services. This survey attempted to measure the degree of electronic resource sharing in ARL libraries; to discover which resources are being shared and between what kinds of institutions; and what documentation is available.

Perceptions of electronic resource sharing varied greatly among respondents. Institutions whose funding was focused on technological progress began to network resources within buildings and between buildings on campus; to those institutions, sharing electronically meant sharing with another library outside its own domain. To those institutions just beginning the transition to the networked environment, their experiences with ever-changing licensing definitions indicated that networking resources between buildings on the same campus must be defined as "sharing." Another example of these different perspectives is that several members of the same consortium replied "no" to sharing resources, while others replied "yes." The results are interesting for what they say, as well as what they do not say.

SURVEY RESULTS

Of the 119 ARL institutions surveyed, 53 responses were received. This number was smaller than anticipated, especially given the topic and its relation to

the economies required by rising costs and budgetary constraints. Of these libraries which returned the questionnaire, 26% reported sharing "none of the above" categories of resources (tape-loaded indexes, full-text journals, or CD-ROM datafiles), leaving 39 institutions which completed the remainder of the survey.

RESOURCE SHARING GROUPS

The most frequently shared electronic information resource is the tape-loaded index. General indexes, social sciences, humanities and hard sciences are shared by 51 to 58% of responding institutions. Business databases account for 43%, while only 28% reported sharing tape-loaded government information. Two specific titles noted are a shared subscription to the "Russian Academy of Sciences" through the PAC/SLAV Consortium, and a tape load of Hawaii Pacific Journal Index. Full-text journals are shared by fewer institutions overall. Fewer than 15% of the respondents share any CD-ROM datafiles. Web resources were not included in this question.

Electronic resource sharing is a fairly young practice; most institutions indicate implementing this practice in only the last one to three years (46%). After "enrichment of resources available to all participants" (97%), the most frequently cited motivation to share was "cost" (87%). The assumption that shared resources cost less may be disproved by the increasing costs for networking and consortia. Improved technology and the desire to test technical capabilities were important motivations, as well as the natural progression from other kinds of sharing (i.e., reciprocal borrowing). Another reason cited was a response to a mandate from a higher authority (41%) and a few (18%) responded to requests from other libraries. One institution obtained outside grant funds to provide partial support for a cooperative project. Others note sharing of labor, staff, and expertise as factors.

Eighty separate electronic resource sharing groups were identified by 39 respondents. Of these, a total of 54 (68%) distinct academic-only groups are sharing electronic resources, compared to 26 (33%) groups of academic and other types of libraries combined.

Nearly half of ARL libraries share electronic resources across the same campus. Ten regional (intra-



state) groups were defined (26%); of these, seven consisted of all academic libraries. There were 24 state groups reported (62%) of which 14 were academic only. Of the 12 (31%) regional (interstate) groups reported, all but one consisted entirely of academic libraries. National groups were represented by 23% of the respondents; four of those nine were all academic. Membership or subscription to one or more of groups, such as CRL, OCLC or RLIN, does not appear to be included in this response.

Costs associated with resource sharing groups were tabulated by group type. Most institutions (66%) share subscription costs. One-quarter of the groups report consortia membership fees. A major state-funded consortium involving three of the respondents has a central administration and no direct costs. No trend was found that relates costs to type of resource sharing group.

There is a distinct lack of documentation describing electronic resource sharing groups, and university policies, procedures, or agreements. Agreements to participate in a group depend largely on informal letters or memos, and by oral or handshake agreements. Formal contractual agreements seem to occur in groups covering larger geographic areas, such as state, regional or national groups. In a number of instances, several forms of agreement exist for the same group. It is unclear if an institution might have a handshake agreement with one member of the group and a memo or letter agreement with another member. Just as costs of groups are varied, documentation also seems very fluid and subject to change from group to group and member to member.

Responsibility for entering into any agreements for group participation rests largely with the administrative group, either solely (49%) or in conjunction with others (28%). In 14% of the cases, the cooperating institution made the agreement, and in 8%, librarians reportedly made these agreements. Database committees, networking teams, and university attorneys were three other examples of who has the authority to enter into agreements. Based on the comments, part of the agreement to share as a group is actually the licensing agreement with the vendor for the database(s).

The infrastructures which must support the databases and communicate between members of a group have a great impact on the effort's success. Shared databases may be mounted in a variety of ways by any given institution. Over half (56%) have databases mounted on a library server with another 26% on a library mainframe. Thirty-eight percent have databases on another university's server or mainframe (28%). There appears to be a trend away from the university server or mainframe (21%), thus allowing the library and the university more autonomy in the planning and utilization of its infrastructure. However, increased cost of equipment to the library would be a side effect. Other databases reside on a vendor or consortium main-frame or server. Of 74 database applications reported, 39% are mounted on mainframes and 61% on servers.

Institutions were asked to indicate membership in three specific groups: 95% are members of the Online Computer Library Center (OCLC); 58% are members of the

Center for Research Libraries (CRL), while only 29% belong to the Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN). Two respondents indicated membership in ISM CATSS; therefore, respondents did not include membership in these organizations as national groups in question 4. Costs of belonging to these organizations do not appear to be reflected in question 5.

ELECTRONIC ACCESS

Sharing CD-ROM resources presents special problems because of licensing agreements, the availability of equipment, and infrastructure. Some respondents have both networked and stand-alone systems. Of the 79% who have stand-alone systems, 7% have no other CD-ROM access. Sixty-one percent of institutions have networked systems for CD-ROMs in a single building. About the same number (65%) have access to CD-ROMs which are networked in multiple buildings on the same campus. Six of these have no other means of access. Only 24% reported networked systems for CD-ROMs accessed in multiple buildings on remote campuses. Respondents note that multiple access points are generally limited by contract agreements. A number of institutions indicate that remote access is for "authorized" central campus users.

Electronic resource sharing may occur within the same institution as well as between outside groups. Responding institutions are in various stages of development regarding electronic access. Patrons currently have fewer access points than librarians and staff. Comments indicate that institutions are abandoning gopher access and are operating only through the WWW. Forty-seven percent of librarians' groups have access to all resources, and 24% have access to all resources except vendor lists.

Libraries with public WWW access generally use links to specific sources to guide patrons (70% answered "no" to using bookmarks). One institution sets up bookmark files with resources of special interest to a particular use population within that library. Another institution has six public service areas, each of which has bookmarks according to individual collection and patron needs. Finally, one institution sets up menu choices which indicate book marked files.

Eighty-seven percent of libraries link to other WWW pages; 82% link to government information and general reference sources; 71% of institutions link to directories; and 42% link to other university catalogs. Roughly one-quarter indicate links to indexes, FirstSearch, full-text resources, all shared resources, regional resources, and a variety of other sites such as museums, digital collections, and vendor resources on subscription.

Eighty-seven percent of responding libraries have access to GPO Access. Thirty-nine percent are designated as Gateway sites; 26% have access through a gateway, and 24% use other means such as directly through the Web or free Internet site. One noted that the gateway approach seems to be passé. Thirteen percent have no access at this time, including two Canadian libraries who use Stats Canada.

ELECTRONIC PUBLIC SERVICES

Sixty-one percent each offer departmental reference e-mail and fax services, and 50% provide an electronic

reference questionnaire on the WWW for patrons. Only two institutions provide all of the listed public services, one of which is fee based. Eight institutions indicated that none of these services are available.

Dial-in access to tape-loaded electronic databases is provided to patrons as follows: on campus 89%, local 86%, and statewide 84%. Forty-six percent of institutions provide access to patrons from all three locations. Database access through the Internet accounts for 49% of the responses. CD-ROM access is more limited with only 8% providing access to all CD-ROM databases from all locations. CD-ROM access is provided on campus by 24% and locally by 19%, but only 11% provide statewide access. Access to CD-ROMs requires a password or other proof of affiliation with the institution. Access varies according to individual database licensing agreements. Five of the institutions which indicated access to all tape-loaded and CD-ROM products specified limits to use.

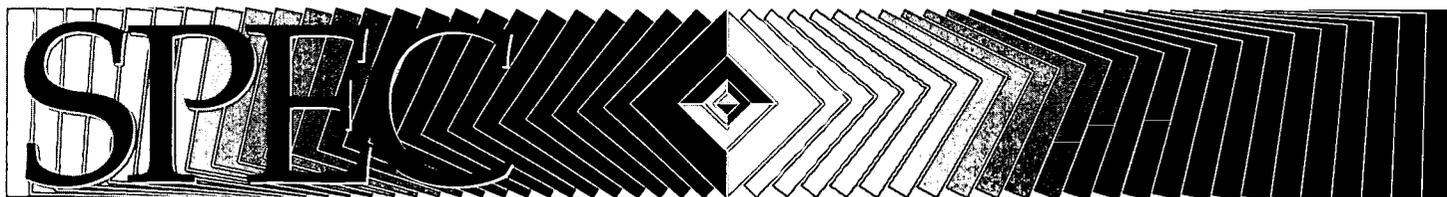
CONCLUSIONS & TRENDS

The broad interpretation of electronic resource sharing by participants is reflected in the responses to the questionnaire. Of the 25% of respondents that indicated no sharing of electronic resources, several were identified as members of consortia. Thus, reliability of the data is less than optimal. It is clear that there is a continuing effort to share electronic databases, based on the number of institutions who have begun to share in the past three years and the number of groups reported. The

technology to share tape-loaded databases has been in place for some time, and the most commonly shared resource appears to be indexes in this format. Generally, costs of subscriptions and telecommunications are borne by individual institutions, while one institution maintains the database. These subscription costs, however, are escalating at a phenomenal rate as technology develops which allows remote access from homes and offices.

Change in the area of electronic resources is occurring more rapidly than in any other area affecting libraries. The electronic scene is so fraught with change that answers to surveys such as this become obsolete with the next license agreement. In the few months between the collection of this data and the tabulation of the results, definitions of what constitutes local access and networked access have changed, and dial-in access to many databases has become cost prohibitive. Instead of campus, local, or statewide access the options are building, campus, and anywhere off campus. Commercial products once available only in tape or CD-ROM format are now being published on the WWW. Institutions must re-evaluate the advantages and disadvantages of each electronic format as well as the decision to share.

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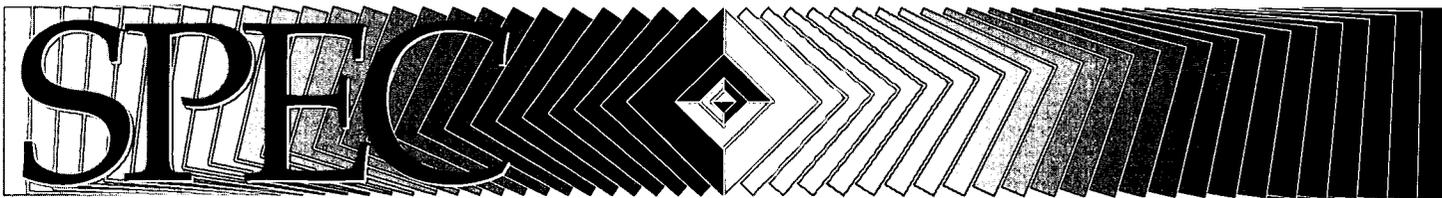
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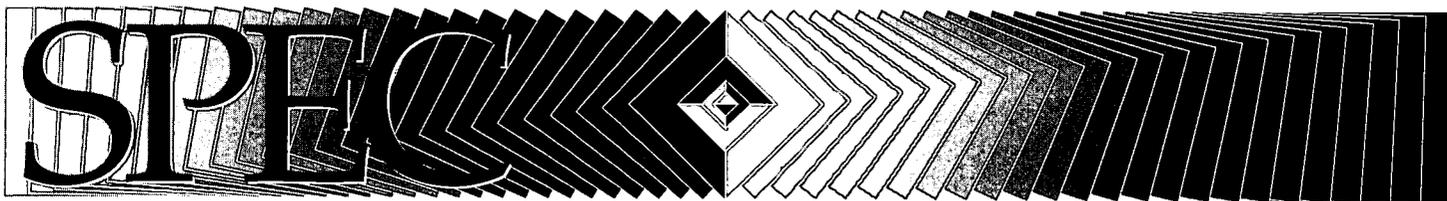
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SURVEY RESULTS





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TO: SPEC Liaisons

FROM: Donna Hogan, University of Alabama Libraries
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Laura Rounds, OMS Program Officer for Information Services

DATE: September 16, 1996

RE: SPEC Survey and Call for Documentation on Electronic Resource Sharing

A preliminary overview of literature about libraries and cooperation, networking, and resource sharing (1990-present) reveals that much of this literature is devoted to promoting resource sharing, and very little to actual accounts or procedures.

This survey will attempt to measure the degree of electronic resource sharing currently being practiced by ARL libraries; to discover which resources are being shared between what kinds of institutions; and what documentation of policies, procedures, and agreements is available.

Resource sharing refers to the use in common by two or more libraries/information centers (even on the same campus) of any combination of tangible or intangible assets, such as personnel, equipment, data communications networks, facilities, knowledge, expertise, and information resources. Most often, resource sharing is limited to bibliographic materials and is achieved through interlibrary loan. For the purposes of this survey, we are interested in the above activities but only where the exchange occurs in the **electronic** environment.

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Survey responses and documentation should be received no later than October 11, 1996.

SPEC SURVEY: ELECTRONIC RESOURCE SHARING

RESOURCE SHARING GROUPS

1. Do you share any of the following electronic information resources with any other library or group of libraries? Check all that apply.

N=53

	<u>Indexes (tape-load)</u>		<u>Full-text journals</u>		<u>CD-Rom datafiles</u>	
a. General	31	58%	15	28%	6	11%
b. Business	23	43%	15	28%	5	9%
c. Gov't	15	28%	11	21%	5	9%
d. Humanities	27	51%	16	30%	8	15%
e. Social Science	28	53%	15	28%	7	13%
f. Hard Sci	27	51%	14	26%	6	11%
14 26%	g. None of the above; please stop here and return the survey					
10 19%	h. Other, please specify:					
	4 Health sciences or medicine					
	1 Law					
	1 Fine arts					
	2 CIC journal archive					
	2 EB online					

Examples of "other:"

- WWW for full text
- Project Muse
- Full-text non-journal materials in humanities
- Hawaii Pacific Journal Index
- Russian Academy of Sciences through the PAC/SLAV Consortium
- Statistics Canada
- WWW full-text reference
- CD-Roms elsewhere on campus
- Full-text journals statewide
- Encyclopedia Britannica

2. For how long has your library been sharing electronic resources?

N=39

2	5%	a. Less than six months
2	5%	b. Six months to one year
18	46%	c. More than one year, less than three years
8	21%	d. More than three years, less than five years
9	23%	e. More than five years

3. What were the motivating factors to implement sharing resources electronically? Check all that apply.

N=39

- 34 87% a. Cost
- 16 41% b. Mandate from higher authority
- 38 97% c. Enrichment of resources available to all participants
- 19 49% d. Desire to test technical capabilities
- 22 56% e. Improved technology
- 7 18% f. Request from another library
- 22 56% g. Natural progression from other kinds of resource sharing (e.g., reciprocal borrowing)
- 2 5% h. Other, please specify:
 - Outside grant funds to provide partial support for a cooperative project
 - Labor, staff, and expertise

4. What is the scope (a-g) and type (1-5) of the 5 most active groups with whom you share electronic resources? Indicate all that apply. For example, if you are part of a national system that includes both academic and special libraries your answer would be "f:1,4".

N=39

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 19 49% a. Internal (same campus) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 17 a:1 1 a:1, 2 1 a:1,3 2 5% b. Local <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 b:1 1 b:1,2 10 26% c. Regional (intrastate) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7 c:1 2 c:1,2 1 c:1,4 24 62% d. State <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14 d:1 1 d:1,2 2 d:1,2,3 4 d:1,4 2 d:1,2,3,4 2 d:1,5 12 31% e. Regional (interstate) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11 e:1 1 e:1,2 9 23% f. National <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 f:1 1 f:1,2 1 f:1,3 1 f:1,4 1 f:1,2,3,4 1 f:1,5 4 10% g. Other, please specify: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 Consortium 1 Humanities full text shared in and out of region | <p><u>Key</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Academic 2. Public 3. State 4. Special 5. Other, please specify |
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5. What costs are associated with the resource sharing within each group in #4 above? Keep the same order of responses, numbers 1-5 above.

- a. Membership fee for group
- b. Subscription cost for database
- c. Network fee paid to group or individual organization
- d. Licensing fee upgrades (e.g. costs of more than one user)
- e. Specific operating or overhead costs
- f. Telecommunication
- g. Other (explain)

Type of Group	Internal	Local	Regional	State	Regional	National	Other
Costs	N=17	N=1	N=10	N=23	N=12	N=9	N=4
			Intrasta.		Intersta.		

Membership fee	3 (25%)	1 (100%)	4 (40%)	4 (17%)	3 (25%)	4 (44%)	--
Subscription cost	12 (100%)	1	10 (100%)	20 (87%)	2 (17%)	5 (56%)	3 (75%)
Network fee to group	6 (50%)	1	4 (40%)	8 (35%)	2 (17%)	3 (33%)	--
Licensing fee upgrades	5 (52%)	1	5 (50%)	12 (52%)	6 (50%)	--	3 (75%)
Specific operating or overhead costs	5 (52%)	1	3 (30%)	8 (35%)	6 (50%)	1 (11%)	1 (25%)
Telecommun.	2 (17%)	--	2 (20%)	4 (17%)	1 (8%)	1 (11%)	--
Other, explain	3 (25%)	--	--	8 (35%)	2 (17%)	1 (11%)	2 (50%)

Other (comments)

Internal: Flat cost of specialized database

State: OhioLINK; % of total costs; central budget; state grant; staff collaboration/partnerships

Interstate Region: Staff support

National: Grant funded

Other: Centralized funding

6. How is participation in the resource-sharing group documented? Check all that apply, indicating the letter (a-g) from #4 which the document applies to.

- a. Oral or handshake agreement
- b. Letter of agreement
- c. Formal contractual agreement
- d. Informal memorandum
- e. Other, please specify

PLEASE SEND ANY WRITTEN AGREEMENTS, PROTOCOLS, POLICIES, OR PROCEDURES WHICH MAY BE PUBLISHED WITH THE RESULTS OF THIS SURVEY.

Type of Group	Internal	Local	Regional	State	Regional	National	Other
	N=18	N=1	Intrasta. N=10	N=23	Intersta. N=12	N=8	N=4

Oral or Handshake	10 (56%)	1 (100%)	2 (20%)	11 (48%)	2 (17%)	3 (38%)	1 (25%)
Letter of Agreement	7 (39%)	--	6 (60%)	8 (35%)	6 (50%)	3 (38%)	--
Formal contractual agreement	8 (44%)	1	6 (60%)	11 (48%)	9 (75%)	6 (75%)	1 (25%)
Informal memo	4 (22%)	1	3 (30%)	9 (39%)	2 (17%)	1 (13%)	--
Other	3 (17%)	--	1 (10%)	1 (4%)	1 (8%)	1 (13%)	2 (50%)

Other (comments)

- Internal: Same system; common administration
- State: Governing committee
- Interstate Region: Federal grant
- National: Grant funded
- Other: California state consortium

7. Which department(s), unit(s), or position(s) have the authority to approve or enter into such agreements? Check all that apply.

N=37

- | | | | |
|----|-----|----|--|
| 18 | 49% | a. | Administrative group (only) |
| 29 | 78% | | Administrative group alone or with others; please specify: |
| | | 4 | a,b |
| | | 3 | a,f |
| | | 1 | a,b,d |
| | | 1 | a,c,d |
| | | 1 | a,c,other |
| | | 1 | a,d,e,f |
| 0 | | b. | Department heads (only) |
| 0 | | c. | System administrator (only) |
| 3 | 8% | d. | Librarians (only) |
| 0 | | e. | Academic dept. liaisons (only) |
| 5 | 14% | f. | Cooperating institution (only) |

Other:

- Database committees at campus and local levels
- Networking team
- Administrative group led by assistant director for collection development
- University attorneys

8. Where are the shared electronic databases mounted? Check all that apply.

N=39

- | | | | |
|----|-----|----|---|
| 22 | 56% | a. | Library server |
| 10 | 26% | b. | Library mainframe |
| 8 | 21% | c. | University server |
| 8 | 21% | d. | University mainframe |
| 15 | 38% | e. | Another university's server |
| 11 | 28% | f. | Another university's mainframe |
| | | g. | Other, please specify: |
| | | 14 | 36% Vendors |
| | | | - Vendor server |
| | | | - Publisher |
| | | | - OCLC |
| | | | - DRANET |
| | | | - WWW |
| | | | - IAC |
| | | | - SilverPlatter |
| | | | - Boston |
| | | | - CARL |
| | | 7 | 8% Consortia |
| | | | - Central computer at university headquarters |
| | | | - Consortial server |
| | | | - CIC servers |
| | | | - UC Division of Library Automation |
| | | | - Centrally owned by state, located at one of the universities (OhioLINK) |
| | | | - National government |

9. To which of the following groups/services do you belong/subscribe?

N=38

<u>Member</u>	<u>Subscriber</u>	
22 58%	—	a. Center for Research Libraries (CRL)
36 95%	8 21%	b. Online Computer Library Center (OCLC)
11 29%	16 42%	c. Research Libraries Information Network (RLIN)
3 8%	—	d. Other: ISM CATSS

ELECTRONIC ACCESS

10. What best describes your CD-ROM access? Check all that apply.

N=38

- 30 79% a. Stand-alone system
- 23 61% b. Networked systems for CD-ROMs accessed in a single building.
- 24 63% c. Networked systems for CD-ROMs accessed in multiple buildings, on the same campus
- 9 24% d. Networked systems for CD-ROMS accessed in multiple buildings, on remote campuses (distance learning)

11. Which of the following groups have access to the following resources? Check all that apply.

N=38

	Librarians	Support Staff	Patrons
Gopher	33 (87%)	33 (87%)	31 (82%)
WWW	38 (100%)	38 (100%)	37 (97%)
Library's home page	38 (100%)	38 (100%)	37 (97%)
e-mail	38 (100%)	38 (100%)	24 (63%)
OCLC	38 (100%)	36 (100%)	26 (68%)
RLIN	30 (79%)	28 (74%)	17 (45%)
Vendor lists	25 (66%)	22 (58%)	2 (5%)

12. If your library has public WWW access, are there prepared bookmarks for accessing the shared electronic resources of other libraries?

N=37

- 8 22% Yes, please send list of prepared bookmarks.
- 26 70% No
- 3 8% N/A; our library does not offer public Web access.

13. If your library has a Home page which directs users to the resources of other libraries, specify the types of links you provide. Check all that apply.

N=38

- | | | | |
|----|-----|----|--|
| 33 | 87% | a. | Other WWW pages within your university |
| 33 | 87% | b. | WWW pages outside your university |
| 32 | 84% | c. | Government information |
| 31 | 82% | d. | General reference sources |
| 27 | 71% | e. | Directories |
| 16 | 42% | f. | University catalogs |
| 9 | 24% | g. | Other, please specify |
| | | | - Indexes |
| | | | - FirstSearch |
| | | | - Full-text resources |
| | | | - All shared resources |
| | | | - Resources by geographic region |
| | | | - Searchable Web indexes |
| | | | - Employment resources and political resources |
| | | | - Societies and organizations |
| | | | - Research institutes |
| | | | - Patent information |
| | | | - Business and commercial, local resources, museums |
| | | | - Publishers, vendor resources on subscription |
| | | | - Digital collections and resources of various types |
| | | | - Many scholarly subject-based sources |
| 1 | 3% | h. | N/A; our library does not have a home page |

14. Does the library have access to *GPO Access*?

N=38

- | | | | |
|----|-----|-----|---|
| 33 | 87% | Yes | |
| 15 | 39% | 1. | Designated as a Gateway |
| 10 | 26% | 2. | Via gateway; please specify site: |
| | | | - Auburn |
| | | | - University of California |
| | | | - Purdue |
| | | | - State Library of Ohio |
| | | | - Http://www.access.gpo.gov/ |
| 9 | 24% | 3. | Other; please explain: |
| | | | - Directly through the Web |
| | | | - Free Internet sites |
| 5 | 13% | No | |

ELECTRONIC PUBLIC SERVICES

15. Do you provide public services **outside** your institution's community through any of the following means? Check all that apply.

N=34

- 21 55% a. Personal e-mail
- 23 61% b. Departmental reference e-mail
- 19 50% c. Electronic reference question form WWW
- 23 61% d. Fax
- 4 11% e. In-state WATTS line Incoming
- 6 16% In-state WATTS line Outgoing
- 3 8% f. Out-of-state WATTS line Incoming
- 4 11% Out-of-state WATTS line Outgoing
- 8 21% g. Other:
- 4 None

16. Does your library have dial-in access to its electronic databases? Check all that apply.

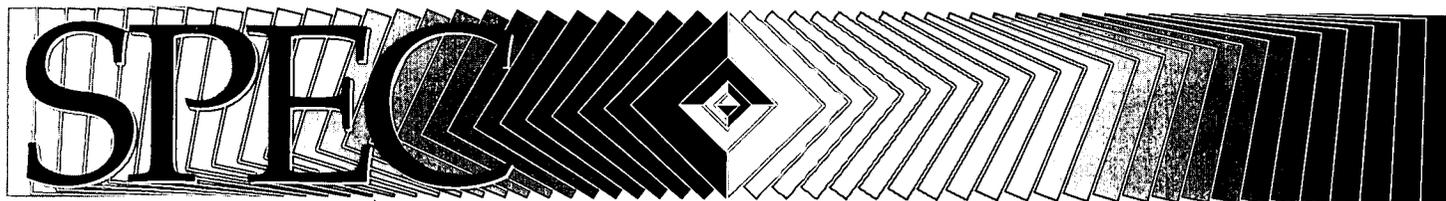
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From:	<u>Tape Load</u>	<u>CD-ROM</u>
a. Campus	33 89%	9 24%
b. Local	32 86%	7 19%
c. Statewide	31 84%	4 11%
d. All of the above (a.-c.)	17 46%	3 8%
e. Other, specify:	18 49%	0 0%

RESPONDING INSTITUTIONS

University of Alabama
Arizona State University
Brown University
University of California, Davis
University of California, Irvine
University of California, Riverside
University of California, San Diego
University of California, Santa Barbara
Center for Research Libraries
University of Chicago
Colorado State University
University of Connecticut
Dartmouth College
Georgia Institute of Technology
University of Guelph
University of Hawaii
University of Houston
Indiana University
University of Iowa
Iowa State University
Johns Hopkins University
Kent State University
Université Laval
Louisiana State University
McMaster University
University of Massachusetts
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
University of Miami
University of Michigan
Michigan State University
University of Missouri
National Library of Canada
University of New Mexico
North Carolina State University
Ohio University
Ohio State University
University of Oklahoma
Oklahoma State University
Pennsylvania State University
Purdue University
Rice University
Smithsonian Institution
Southern Illinois University
State University of New York at Stony Brook
Syracuse University
Tulane University
University of Virginia
Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University
Washington University—St. Louis
University of Waterloo
York University

Standing Conference on National and University Libraries (SCONUL), Great Britain—non-ARL



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DESCRIPTION OF GROUPS



ILLINET WEB

About ILLINET and ILLINET WEB

What is ILLINET? ILLINET, the Illinois Library and Information Network, is the network of Illinois libraries which belong to the twelve state-supported multitype regional library systems. The Illinois State Library, a division of the Office of the Illinois Secretary of State, provides overall network administration for ILLINET. During the past twenty years, the network has been distinguished by ongoing and enthusiastic cooperation and recognized nationally as an exemplary model for library cooperation.

A library becomes an ILLINET member when it is accepted for membership in a regional library system. The participating libraries work cooperatively to meet shared needs through interlibrary loan, cooperative automation systems, statewide delivery service, and other forms of collaborative activity. The State Library works with the directors, staffs, boards, and member libraries of the regional library systems to facilitate resource sharing through a variety of programs and services. Network components include, but are not limited to:

- ILLINET/OCLC Services, administered by the Illinois State Library, which provides shared cataloging and bibliographic services, including a statewide union list of serials
- Continuing education, consulting, interlibrary loan, and reference services offered through the regional library systems
- Shared automation programs and Internet access coordinated by the regional library systems and the Illinois State Library
- Statewide dial-access to ILLINET Online, a computerized library catalog that provides descriptive information about library materials located in over 800 Illinois libraries
- A statewide delivery system that complements delivery services provided by the library systems

Funding for ILLINET components is derived primarily from a variety of state and federal grant programs administered by the Office of the Secretary of State. These funds support operation of the regional library systems, provide grants to school and public libraries, and support statewide services.

The foundation of ILLINET, however, is recognition that each library in Illinois is interdependent upon one another. This recognition provides the basis upon which all network activities are built. Working together, Illinois library cooperation ensures that Illinois citizens receive the best possible library and information service.



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Committee on Institutional Cooperation

About The CIC

The Committee on Institutional Cooperation, established in 1958, is the academic consortium of twelve major teaching and research universities. Its programs and activities extend to all aspects of university activity except intercollegiate athletics. The members of the Committee, the chief academic officers of the CIC institutions, meet three times annually to establish CIC guidelines and procedures, to discuss proposed initiatives and evaluate existing programs, and to address collective concerns and policy issues common to these institutions.

The CIC member institutions are the University of Chicago, the University of Illinois (Chicago and Urbana-Champaign campuses), Indiana University, the University of Iowa, the University of Michigan, Michigan State University, the University of Minnesota, Northwestern University, Ohio State University, Pennsylvania State University, Purdue University, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

The CIC is organized both horizontally and vertically, mirroring the structure of its member institutions. Throughout its history, nearly every academic and administrative unit has been involved in CIC programs, participated in cooperative groups and panels, or enjoyed the mutual benefits of collegiality with members of sister institutions. Because these initiatives support the goals of the individual universities, cooperative ventures have arisen from all levels within the CIC.

It is this spirit of cooperation among otherwise competitive universities that has marked the successes of the Committee and its many programs and activities. Through more than three decades of changing conditions and influences, the advantages of the consortial approach have produced results when competition alone would have been counterproductive. By focusing institutional efforts and enhancing them through cooperative activities, the CIC and its member universities have effectively complemented and augmented institutional programs without supplanting them or reducing their individual importance.

Assisting change where it is requested, and encouraging it when it is warranted, the Committee has been able to take risks its members might not have attempted alone. By designing and implementing model programs that can be applied and adapted to the needs and circumstances of individual universities, the CIC continues to bring together the combined force and resources of each for the benefit of all. The dynamics of cooperation also help to maintain program continuity as inevitable changes in personnel occur, to provide the impetus for further collective ventures based upon successful experiences, and to sustain over time those programmatic initiatives that single institutions must struggle to preserve.

The Committee on Institutional Cooperation has always been governed by its three founding principles that no single institution can or should attempt to be all things to all people, that inter-institutional cooperation permits educational experimentation and progress on a scale beyond the capability of any single institution acting alone, and that voluntary cooperation fosters effective, concerted action while preserving institutional autonomy and diversity.

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CIC Programs and Initiatives

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| Alliance for Success | A partnership between the CIC institutions and colleges and universities serving minorities, directed at increasing access to higher education for traditionally underrepresented students. |
| Center for Library Initiatives | Programs to coordinate the vast library resources of the CIC institutions, increase access to information across institutional boundaries, and enhance the collective electronic resources of the CIC libraries. |
| Foreign Language Enhancement Program (FLEP) | FLEP provides summer scholarships to graduate students at CIC universities to encourage them to take advantage of language offerings not available to them at their home universities. Scholarships of \$1,500 each are awarded annually to 27 graduate students to help cover living expenses while they enrolled in intensive study of infrequently-taught languages not offered at their own university. Some of the languages studied in the past include Aymara, Gujarati, Persian, Tamil, Tibetan, and Uzbek. |
| Learning Technology Initiative | A broad-based program to encourage the collaborative development and use of advanced instructional technologies among the CIC institutions. |
| Summer Research Opportunities Program (SROP) | A program to interest talented undergraduate minority students in academic careers and to enhance their preparation for graduate study through intensive research experiences with faculty mentors. |
| Traveling Scholar Program | A mechanism to enable doctoral-level students at any CIC university to take advantage of educational opportunities, specialized courses, unique library collections, and unusual laboratories at any other CIC university without change in registration or increase in tuition. |
| Women in Science and Engineering (WISE) Initiative | Fifteen CIC campuses and three national associations are undertaking a comprehensive set of collaborative activities designed to achieve gender equity at each step along the science, engineering, and mathematics (SEM) pipeline. |
| A Directory of CIC Programs and Projects | An alphabetical listing, with brief descriptions, of CIC programs and projects. |

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Information about the CIC

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The CIC	A brief history and statement of purpose of the CIC.
CIC Working Groups	A listing of CIC faculty and administrative groups.
Staff	Names and email addresses of the CIC staff.
CICNet	Link to the homepage of CICNet, Inc., the network services provider for the CIC.
CIC Web Page Guidelines	Design guidelines for CIC working groups interested in developing World Wide Web pages.

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- Indiana University
- University of Iowa
- University of Michigan
- Michigan State University
- University of Minnesota
- Northwestern University
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- Purdue University
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The Michigan Research Libraries Triangle

To help meet the challenges facing academic libraries today, the libraries of Michigan State University, the University of Michigan, and Wayne State University have formed a consortium, the Michigan Research Libraries Triangle (MRLT).

This collaborative effort grew from the realization that no library can hope to own all the resources needed to carry out its mission successfully. All three of these libraries share a common mission: to meet the education and information needs of students, faculty, and researchers. The libraries are also committed to sharing their resources with the state's citizens in business, industry, government, agriculture, and medicine.

The combined resources of the three libraries provide access to approximately 19 million volumes of books, some 122,000 journal titles, and numerous electronic databases. These libraries represent a rich resource which supports teaching and research at all three institutions and supports economic and cultural growth and development in the State of Michigan.

Program Objectives

The major objectives of the program are simple: avoiding unnecessary costs and improving the quality of service to the campuses. The program will, for example:

- make more effective use of the materials owned by all to reduce the need to duplicate materials;
- provide the technology to share, rather than duplicate, large databases;
- provide a model for expansion to other universities and colleges in the state;
- provide opportunities for research in academic library cooperation and resource sharing and its impact on economic recovery.

Program Areas

The program is currently focusing on three major areas: Cooperative Collection Development, Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery, and Automation. Committees consisting of representatives from each library are meeting and will develop further cooperation in these areas.

Cooperative Collection Development

The three libraries aim to broaden the total information base available to the users of the participating institutions. This will be accomplished in the following ways:

- (1) by maximizing resources through distribution of collection responsibility within or among subject areas;
- (2) through shared or cooperative purchase of some categories of expensive materials; and
- (3) through coordinated serials management.

The five areas identified as pilot projects are History, Art/Art History, French, Agricultural Economics and Chemistry. Collection specialists in each area are exchanging holdings information and developing model agreements for cooperative purchase of serials and microform sets, and subject-based sharing of collection responsibility.

Interlibrary Loan

Since fall of 1991, the three libraries have successfully improved Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery services to each other. Representatives on committees from the three libraries met to set up guidelines that included enhancing the delivery of books, journal articles, and other library materials, decreasing turnaround time, and monitoring the volume of requests between the libraries. Each library has agreed to give priority status to the others' requests.



Because of this agreement, all articles requested are faxed on a priority basis; and all book requests are sent by UPS, rather than by regular mail. Each library has agreed to waive any fees associated with filling document delivery requests from the other libraries. The committee has agreed to meet annually and will communicate via e-mail and telephone.

Automation

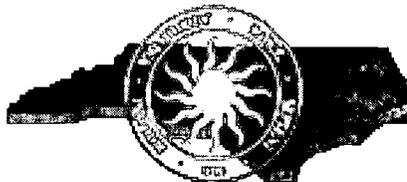
Until recently, the three libraries have been concentrating on automating access to their holdings by building large online databases from their own card catalogs. They have provided access to their campus communities as well as to the entire state via the MICHNET network. These efforts have built a foundation for resource sharing among the three libraries and beyond them to citizens throughout the state.

With this foundation in place, their vision of future information services to the state can proceed to the next phases. Phase One will be to create a seamless link among the three online library systems using NOTIS software. Phase Two will be to develop software to support the storage, retrieval, and delivery of full-text and graphics documents from multimedia image databases.

To make this vision a reality, however, funding must be found. The automation task force is working on writing a proposal and on exploring funding possibilities for a networking grant.

The Future

While the MRLT consortium is still in its infancy, much progress has been made in this cooperative effort. Whatever the future holds for these three institutions, it is certain they will all benefit from the ground breaking efforts currently taking place.



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**The Cooperative Database Committee
CDC**

The Cooperative Database Committee (CDC) of the ULAC is concerned with 1) UNC systemwide sharing, via the Internet, of databases mounted at a single campus library, and 2) multi-campus licensing of databases (to reduce costs). The CDC functions mainly as a working group, and is actively engaged in a Database Project. The committee members originally appointed by their library directors were a combination of reference and systems librarians; however, as the committee evolved into a "working group", and technical issues became more important, it became typical for a library to send representatives to meetings from both functional areas.

The Committee is chaired by Lou Parker of UNC General Administration (ltp@unccecs.edu). Meetings are generally held four times a year, at UNC General Administration in Chapel Hill. Because travel considerations limit the number of meetings of this statewide group, E-mail is used heavily for continuing communication. The group address for the committee is libdb@ ga.unc.edu.

The technical (system librarian) members of the present working group generally also belong to the Automation & Networking Committee (ANC), another committee of ULAC. Because of the overlap, ANC meetings present additional opportunities for discussion of the technical issues of database access.

The currently active members of this "Working Group" include:

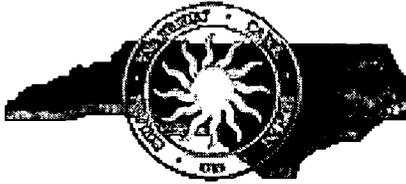
Cooperative Database Working Group

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ECU	Artemis Kares	Pam Burton	Jean Hiebert
FSU	Daniel Pfohl	Eloise Cave	
NC A&T	Euthena Newman	Jean Williams	
NCSA	Susan Keely		
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PSU	Jean Sexton		
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UNCC	Frada Mozenter	Ted Hampton	
UNCG	Kathy Crowe	April Wreath	Tim Bucknall
UNC-GA	Lou Parker		

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Database Sharing Project

This is a project of the Cooperative Database Committee (CDC) of the University Library Advisory Council (ULAC). Lou Parker of UNC-GA is the coordinator.

Database sharing via the Internet has at least two important advantages: lower costs through volume purchasing, and much broader access (from the desktop or student lab).

1. InfoShare Server

In cooperation with North Carolina State University Libraries, UNC General Administration initiated a project to test the feasibility of Z39.50-based database sharing, via the Internet/NCIH, between UNC campus libraries having dissimilar Z39.50 clients. These clients run primarily on OPACs. The database servers are located at the NCSU Libraries.

UNC General Administration selected the UNC campus libraries that participated in the testing, and these were chosen so that different software environments were represented. Participating libraries agreed to provide an environment that limited access strictly to library staff who were participating for test purposes. Faculty and students were excluded during the test period.

Testing of the InfoShare server and improvements to client configurations took place in the fall of 1995. After some vendor assistance and careful tuning of clients, the limitations of the Z39.50 servers still make this mode of access unattractive to most librarians, and probably to many of their patrons also.

2. Z39.50 for OPAC access

Along with the testing of Z39.50 clients for access to "external" databases, there was also some effort devoted to getting these clients to work with OPACs of other vendors, e.g. using a DRA client on the OPAC at UNC-G to access the INNOPAC at UNC-W. With vendor help on client configuration, significant progress was made in an area that had proved quite problematic.

Use of Z39.50 for OPAC access had been an important design goal of the new UNC systemwide library network, because of the desirability of allowing library patrons to search remote catalogs using the local interface with which they were familiar. This goal was reaffirmed by the ULAC in December 1995, and the Automation & Networking Committee (ANC) was asked to actively monitor progress toward that objective. The CDC and its chairman will contribute where appropriate.

Thus, for Z39.50 purposes, emphasis has shifted from the external database arena to that of the library catalogs, where interoperability is especially important to the library network.

3. SilverPlatter Client/Server

In November 1995, following a demonstration to the CDC, testing was extended to newly installed "ERL" client/server software from SilverPlatter (running on the same Unix platform as InfoShare).

This server offers both Z39.50-based and "Expert" mode access (similar to the associated CD product). The NCSU effort is headed by John Ulmschneider, Assistant Director for Library Systems at the NCSU Libraries.

Test results have been very favorable, and a proposal is being prepared for the statewide sharing of SilverPlatter databases mounted at NCSU (and potentially at other UNC sites).

Next Steps

UNC-GA staff, in cooperation with NCSU, will develop cost projections for scaling the service for systemwide use and for additional databases. A formal agreement will be prepared to address issues such as service levels, commitments and technical support. TRLN is expected to implement shared use first, then the access and pricing will be extended to other interested UNC campuses.

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Who can use OhioLINK?

Anyone can search the OhioLINK central catalog. Borrowing materials, document delivery, and searching most databases are limited to users affiliated with OhioLINK participating institutions.

How much does it cost to use OhioLINK?

Access to the central catalog itself is free, although modern users may experience long distance telephone charges associated with making dial-in connections to your campus. Certain databases offer the option of printing out the full text of journal articles at 10 cents per page.

How do I use OhioLINK?

Many of your library's terminals are designated for OhioLINK use. You can also use OhioLINK through your campus network. Enter your library's local system; press "u" to transfer a search to the central catalog. You can then conduct additional searches in OhioLINK's system or return to your local catalog. Check with your library for details.

How do I request a book from OhioLINK?

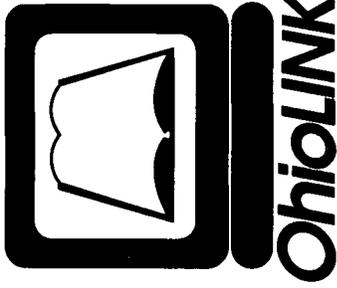
Once you have found an item you would like to request, check the holdings information to make sure that it is available to loan. If so, follow the on-screen instructions to register your OhioLINK affiliation, name, id# and select a pick-up location.

How do I dial in to OhioLINK?

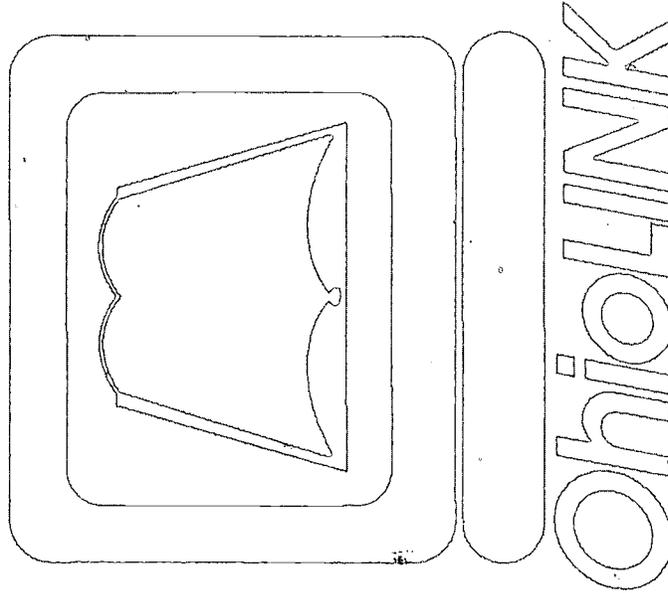
You must have dial-in access to your campus network or library system. Contact your OhioLINK participating library for connection information.

How do I access OhioLINK on the Internet?

OhioLINK can be accessed via the World Wide Web at <http://www.ohiolink.edu> if you do not have a Web browser, connect to OhioLINK through VT100 terminal emulation by telnetting to: [cat.ohiolink.edu](telnet:cat.ohiolink.edu) login: [ohiolink](telnet:ohiolink) (all lower case)



Ohio Library and Information Network



The OhioLINK Vision

-  Electronic access to university, college and state library catalogs
-  User-based electronic loan requests
-  Electronic access to other information resources
-  Rapid document delivery
-  Use of friendly interfaces such as the World Wide Web
-  Access to electronic full-text and image resources as available

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OhioLINK is a growing computer network of libraries and electronic information resources, offering access to more than 50 research databases and a combined central catalog of nearly 6 million records from many Ohio universities, colleges, community colleges and the State Library of Ohio. Its goal is to provide easy access to information and rapid delivery of library materials throughout the state.

How OhioLINK Benefits You

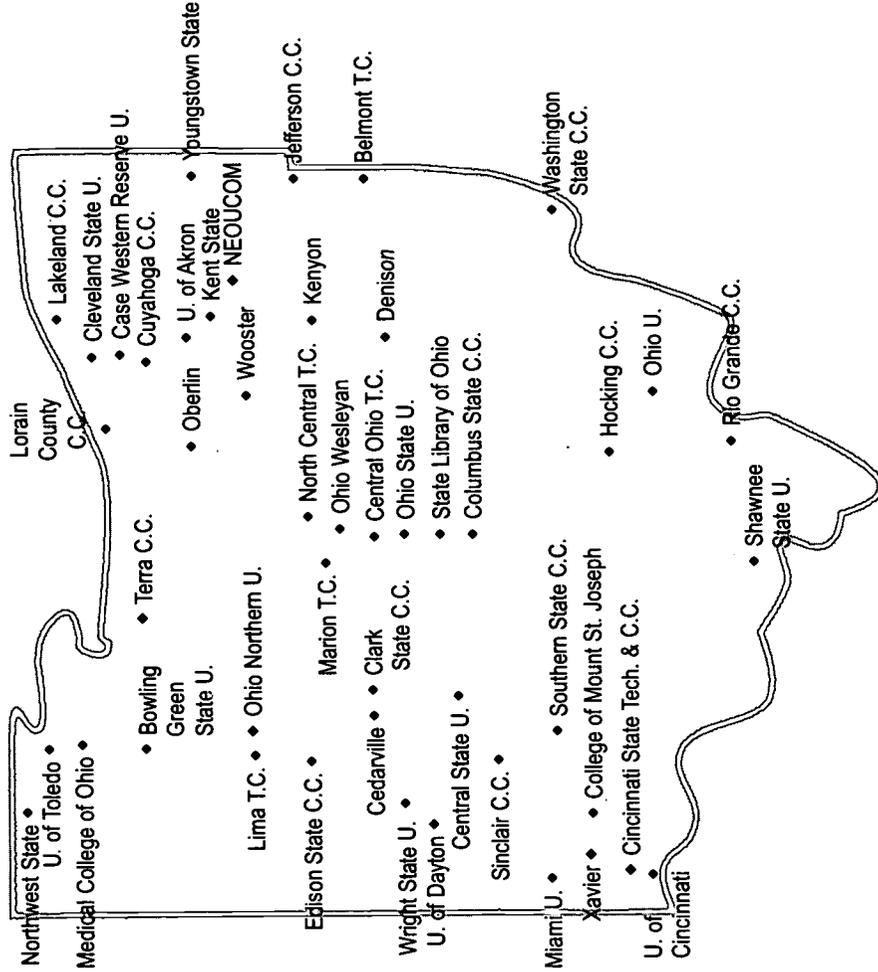
Your library is continually growing – giving you better research capabilities. Now you have immediate online access to a growing catalog of materials, many times larger than any single OhioLINK participant's library collection.

OhioLINK's design allows you to transfer a search from your local library catalog to all of OhioLINK with the touch of a button, saving time and simplifying research. You will save the guess work and waiting period of traditional interlibrary loan because OhioLINK provides immediate access to the holdings of the whole system, including current availability status. OhioLINK's document delivery service routes materials within a few days, not a few weeks, as is often the case with traditional interlibrary loans.

The OhioLINK system has been forged from technologies in computing, networking and library automation, and is a national leader in statewide library and information services.

Membership

OhioLINK's members and participants consist of state universities, medical, community and technical colleges, the State Library of Ohio and several private colleges. All sites offer online access to the central catalog and extend on-site borrowing privileges to patrons of other OhioLINK institutions.



Features

- An online central catalog of the holdings of member libraries with up-to-the-moment availability information.
- Network Access from home office and lab; public terminals located in member libraries.
- Seamless transfer of local searches to the OhioLINK central catalog.
- Online and on-site borrowing for users at OhioLINK participating institutions.
- Document delivery service between more than 90 OhioLINK library locations.

- ABI/Inform
- AIDSLine
- A Matter of Fact
- American Heritage Dictionary
- Anthropological Literature
- Applied Science & Technology
- ArticleFirst
- Art Index
- Avery Index to Architectural Periodicals
- BioethicsLine
- Biography Index
- Biological Abstracts
- Biological & Agricultural Index
- Book Review Digest
- Britannica Online
- CancerLit
- Columbia Encyclopedia
- Compendex
- Contemporary Authors
- Cumulative Book Index
- Dissertation Abstracts
- Education Index
- Encyclopedia of Associations
- English Poetry
- English Short Title Catalogue
- English Verse Drama
- ERIC
- Essay & General Literature Index
- HANNAH Online
- Handbook of Latin American Studies
- HealthStar
- Hispanic American Periodicals Index
- History of Science & Technology
- Index to Legal Periodicals
- LEGI-SLATE
- Library Literature
- Medical School Electives Catalog
- MEDLINE
- MLA International Bibliography
- Newspaper Abstracts
- Nursing & Allied Health (CINAHL)
- OhioLINK Central Catalog
- Oxford English Dictionary
- PapersFirst
- Periodical Abstracts
- Phone Directory – Business & Residential
- ProceedingsFirst
- PsycINFO
- Public Affairs Information Service International
- RILM Abstracts of Music Literature
- Roget's Thesaurus
- WorldCat

and the list continues to grow...



The Ohio Library and Information Network

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The Ohio Library and Information Network is part of Ohio's ongoing tradition in pioneering library automation. The Ohio State University and others in Ohio began integrating campus library systems at an early date. In the 1960s, state funds supported the development of OCLC, then called the Ohio College Library Center. OCLC has since grown into an international organization with a database of 30 million entries representing materials held in more than 10,000 libraries. The private sector in Ohio also has been actively involved in library automation. Organizations such as Mead Data Central, OHIONET, Predicasts and Chemical Abstract Services continue to develop and provide new products and services to the nation's libraries.

OhioLINK, the latest cooperative venture of university libraries and the Ohio Board of Regents, grew out of a 1987 recommendation by the board's library committee that "the state of Ohio implement as expeditiously as possible a statewide electronic catalog system."

In response to this recommendation, the board established a steering committee representing librarians, faculty, administrators and computer systems managers from campuses throughout Ohio. After meetings, public hearings, and conferences, the committee prepared and distributed a planning paper (November 1988); a Request for Information (February 1989); and a Request for Proposal (August 1989) to initiate a statewide electronic system.

In 1990, OhioLINK selected Innovative Interfaces, Inc. to develop the unique software system to create the OhioLINK central catalog and selected Digital Equipment Corporation for the computer hardware base. OhioLINK licensed four databases from University Microfilms International for citations to millions of business, periodical and newspaper articles and to academic dissertations. These elements formed the foundation of the growing OhioLINK system of services.

In 1992, six universities installed OhioLINK systems and began the ongoing process of building the central catalog. Now 52 institutions are served by OhioLINK's integrated local and central catalogs, an online borrowing system, research databases, and document delivery services - 17 public universities, 23 community/technical colleges, 11 private colleges and the State Library of Ohio. The system provides access to more than 4,500 simultaneous users at 104 locations, serving more than 500,000 students, faculty and staff.

OhioLINK offers user-initiated online borrowing, giving users the ability to electronically request items while searching the OhioLINK central catalog and research databases. It also provides a delivery service among member institutions to speed the exchange of library items. In February 1996, OhioLINK began offering services through the World Wide Web. Patrons can access the central catalog, research databases, information about member institutions, text to user guides and new service announcements.

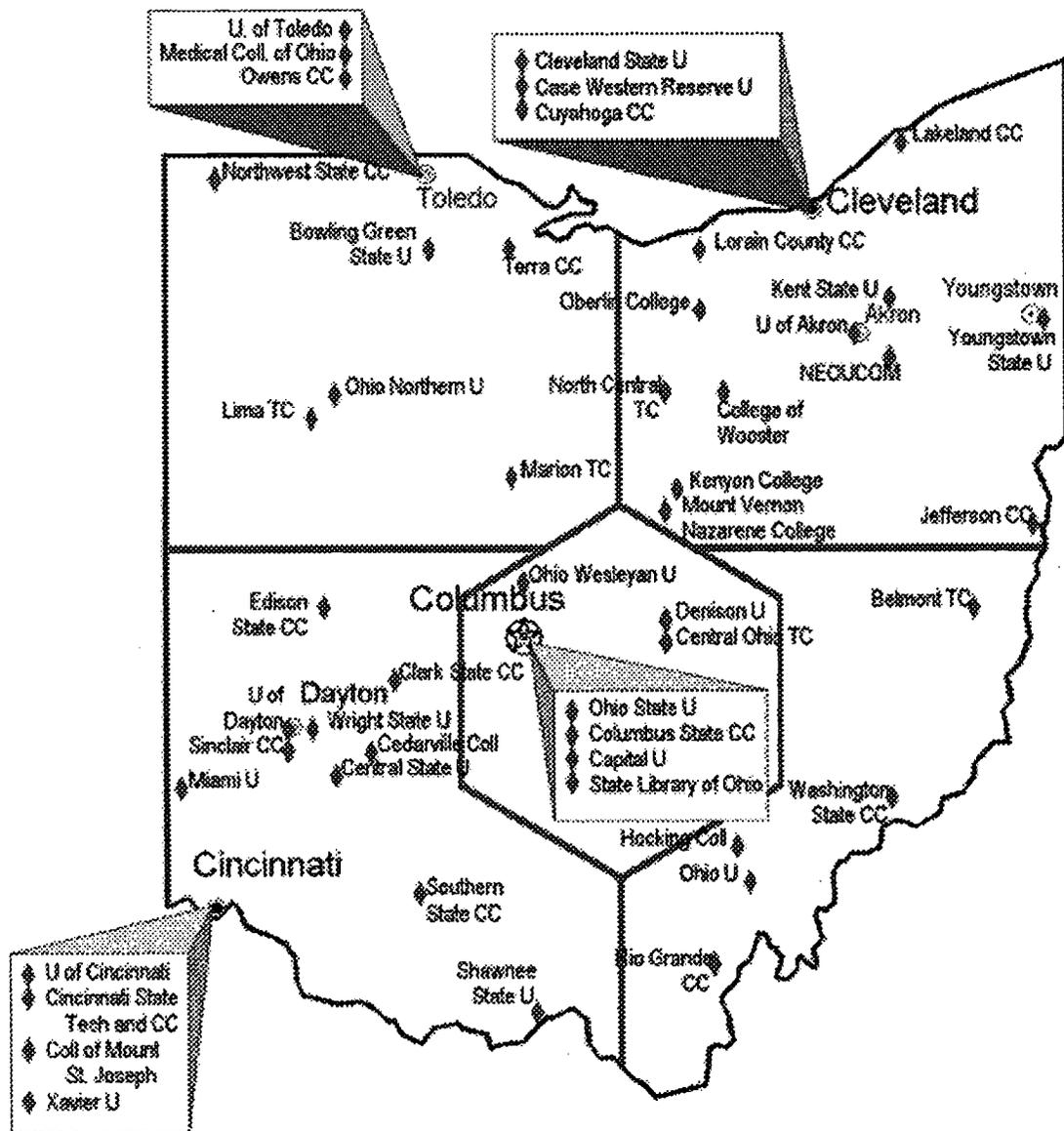
To date, the OhioLINK central catalog contains more than six million master records from 52 libraries, encompassing a spectrum of library material including law, medical and special collections. OhioLINK also offers 57 research databases covering a variety of disciplines -- some of them available only through

the World Wide Web.

OhioLINK serves faculty, students, staff and other researchers at member institutions via campus library systems, campus networks, and the Internet. The OhioLINK central catalog also is available to users from outside of the OhioLINK network through the Internet. However, access to the research databases is restricted to OhioLINK member users (valid patrons at OhioLINK member institutions).

Questions and suggestions may be e-mailed to info@ohiolink.edu

OhioLINK Provides Access To a Combined Catalog of These Participating Institutions





OhioLINK Member Libraries

- Belmont Technical College
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#)
- Bowling Green State University
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#) | [Institution Home Page](#) | [Library Home Page](#)
- Capital University
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#) | [Institution Home Page](#)
- Case Western Reserve University
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#) | [Institution Home Page](#) | [Library Home Page](#)
- Cedarville College
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#) | [Institution Home Page](#) | [Library Home Page](#)
- Central Ohio Technical College (with OSU-Newark)
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#)
- Central State University
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- Cincinnati State Technical & Community College
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#)
- Clark State Community College
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#)
- Cleveland State University
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- College of Mount St. Joseph
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#) | [Institution Home Page](#) | [Library Home Page](#)
- College of Wooster
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#) | [Institution Home Page](#) | [Library Home Page](#)
- Columbus State Community College
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#) | [Institution Home Page](#)
- Cuyahoga Community College
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#) | [Institution Home Page](#) | [Library Home Page](#)
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- Jefferson Community College
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- Kent State University
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- Kenyon College
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Lakeland Community College
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Lima Technical College (with OSU-Lima)
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Lorain County Community College
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Marion Technical College (with OSU-Marion)
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Medical College of Ohio
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Miami University
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Mount Vernon Nazarene College
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Muskingum Technical College (with OU-Zanesville)
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North Central Technical College (with OSU-Mansfield)
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Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine
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Northwest State Community College
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Oberlin College
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Ohio Wesleyan University
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Shawnee State University
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Sinclair Community College
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Southern State Community College
[Hours and Phone Numbers](#)

Stark Technical College (with KSU-Stark)
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State Library of Ohio
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Terra Community College
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University of Akron

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Ursuline College

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Washington State Community College

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Wright State University

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Xavier University

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Youngstown State University

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OSCAR, OhioLINK, CIC (Big Ten) Catalogs

To select, click on the highlighted word(s)

- Connect to OSCAR/OhioLINK/CIC (VT100) and login as **library**.
- Connect to OhioLINK WWW (under development).

Description:

OSCAR is the online catalog of books, journals and other materials in the OSU Libraries and affiliated collections. In addition to serving as the Libraries' catalog, OSCAR also provides access to OhioLINK and CIC (Big Ten) library catalogs.

OhioLINK is a statewide network linking college and university libraries in Ohio, plus the State Library of Ohio. There is a central catalog which contains the holdings of all member institutions, and all book materials are available for user-initiated borrowing by the faculty, staff and/or students at all member institutions. In addition to providing access to the catalog holdings of OSU and the OhioLINK members, access is also provided to a variety of research and reference databases, with full-text of the articles cited in selected databases also available. Also soon to be added are nearly 200 journals in electronic format.

The **Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC)** consists of the Big Ten Universities plus the University of Chicago and the University of Illinois, Chicago. The catalogs of these institutions are available for searching.

URL=<http://www.lib.ohio-state.edu/OSCAR.html>

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Oklahoma Research And Community Libraries

The Oklahoma Research And Community Library Network,

is a network of libraries in Oklahoma which use state-of-the-art computing and telecommunication systems to facilitate the sharing of information and resources. A goal of ORACL is to provide library users direct, seamless access to libraries' automated catalogs and databases through linked systems. Conceived in 1992, Phase II of the ORACL project was completed in March, 1996. Read a summary of what has been accomplished and plans for Phase III. For more information, contact Dr. Edward Johnson, librerj@okway.okstate.edu, at The Oklahoma State University Library, 405/744-6321.

ORACL Participating Libraries with Links to Known Web Sites and Catalogs

- Cameron University
- Northeastern State University
- Oklahoma State University ■ Catalog
- Oklahoma State University College of Osteopathic Medicine
- Rogers University -- Tulsa Campus ■ Catalog
- Rose State College
- Tulsa City - County Library System
- Tulsa Community College
- University of Central Oklahoma
- University of Oklahoma
- University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma
- University of Tulsa ■ Catalog

Other Oklahoma Libraries

[Special] [Academic] [Public] [K-12]

Special Libraries

- Oklahoma Department of Libraries, The State Library of Oklahoma ■ Catalog
- University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
- University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center - Tulsa

Academic Libraries

- Ardmore Higher Education Center
- East Central University
- Langston University
- Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College
- Northwestern Oklahoma State University
- Oklahoma Baptist University
- Oklahoma Christian University

- Oklahoma City Community College
 - Oklahoma City University
 - Oklahoma Panhandle State University
 - Oklahoma State University Technical Branch, Okmulgee
 - Oral Roberts University
 - Phillips University
 - Rogers University -- Claremore Campus
 - Southeastern Oklahoma State University
 - Southern Nazarene University
 - Southwestern Oklahoma State University
 - University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center
 - University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center - Tulsa
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Public Libraries

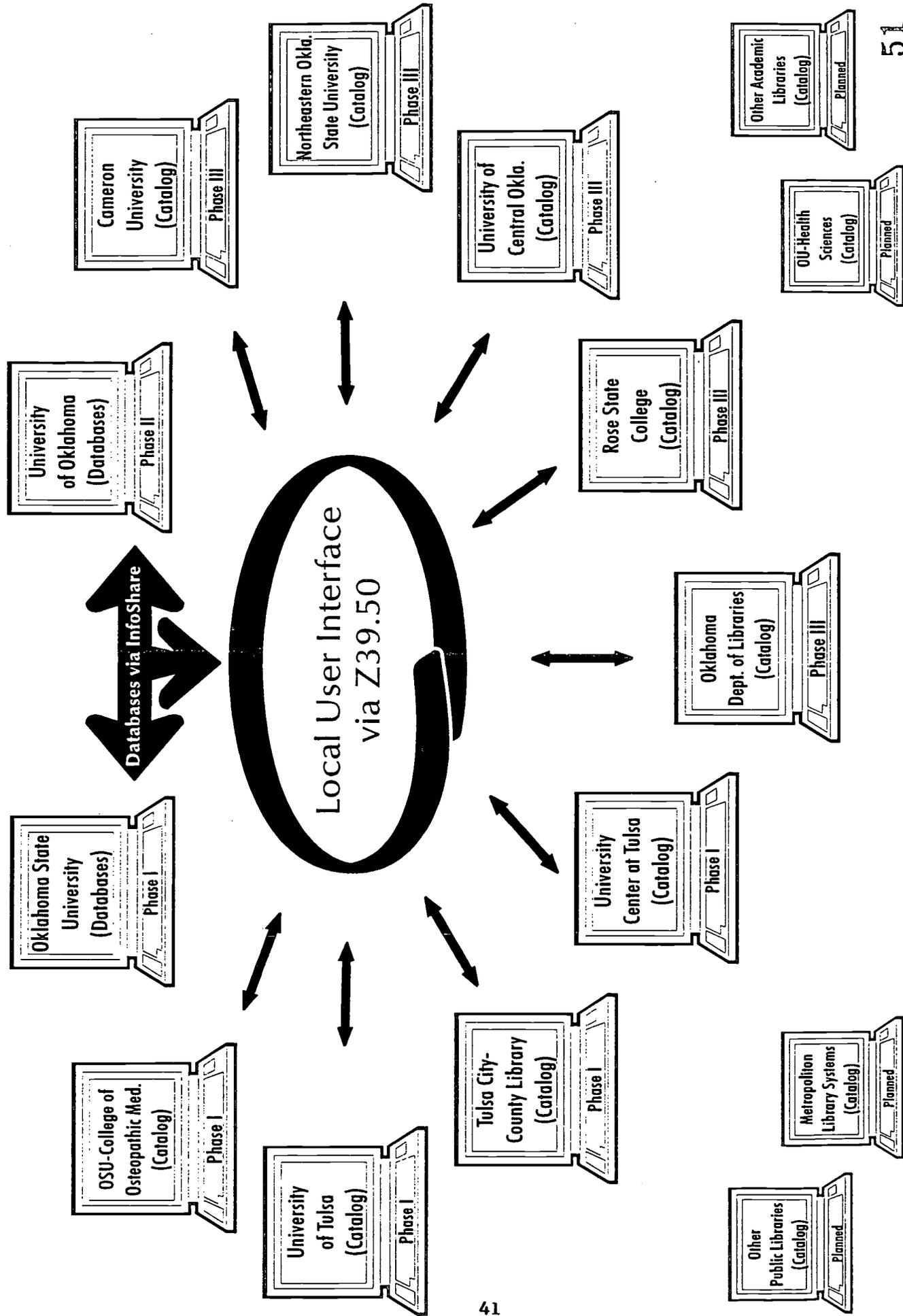
- Bartlesville Public Library
 - Choctaw County Library
 - McAlester Public Library
 - Metropolitan Library System
 - Pioneer Library System
 - Southern Prairie Library System
 - Watonga Public Library
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K-12 Libraries

- Oklahoma School of Science and Mathematics
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This site is best viewed with Netscape Navigator 2.0.

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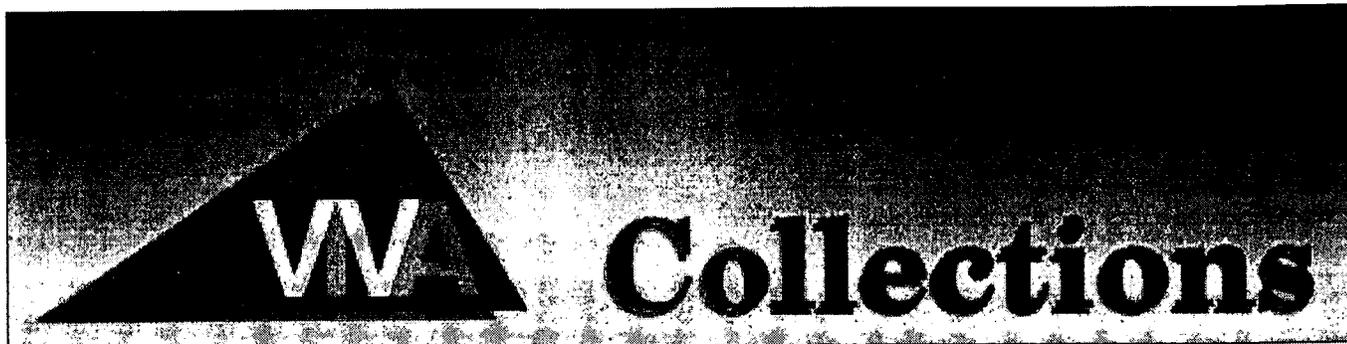
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- Access to Libraries
- Internet Search Tools

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 - Subject List
- Special collections

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 - FirstSearch: OCLC
 - IDEAL fulltext journals: Academic Press
 - Internet Database Service: Cambridge Scientific Abstracts

 - MathSciNet (*Mathematical Reviews and Current Mathematical Publications*) **NEW!**

 - Periodicals Contents Index **NEW!**
 - SearchBank: IAC (Information Access Company)
 - Web graphical browser (e.g., Netscape)
 - Telnet text browser (e.g., Lynx)

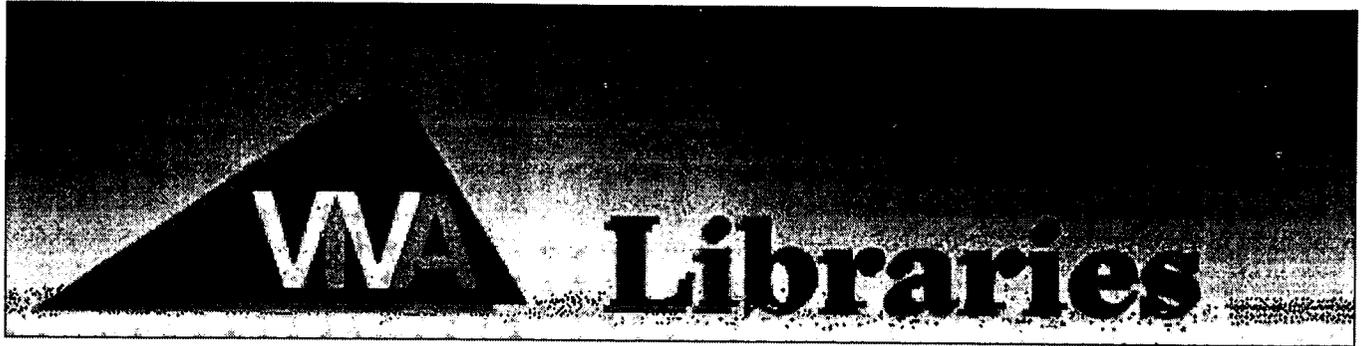
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Please notify us to add your Virginia library's Web server or catalog here.

Virginia Library Web Servers

Colleges and Universities

- Averett College
- Christopher Newport University
- Clinch Valley College
- College of William & Mary
- Eastern Mennonite University
- George Mason University
- Hollins College
- James Madison University
- Longwood College
- Lynchburg College

- Mary Washington College
- Old Dominion University
- Randolph-Macon College
- Radford University
- Regent University
- Roanoke College
- Sweet Briar College
- University of Richmond
- University of Virginia
- University of Virginia Health Sciences
- Virginia Commonwealth University
- Virginia Community College System
 - Blue Ridge Community College LRC
 - Dabney S. Lancaster Community College
 - Danville Community College
 - Eastern Shore Community College LRC
 - Germanna Community College
 - J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College LRC
 - Mountain Empire Community College
 - New River Community College
 - Northern Virginia Community College
 - Piedmont Virginia Community College
 - Southside Virginia Community College LRC
 - Southwest Virginia Community College
 - Virginia Western Community College
- Virginia Military Institute
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Virginia State University
- Virginia Wesleyan College
- Washington & Lee University

Other Libraries

- Alexandria Public Library
- Chesterfield County Public Library
- Fairfax County Public Library
- Henrico County Public Library
- Jefferson-Madison Regional Library (Charlottesville, VA)
- Library of Virginia (State)
- Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library (Christiansburg, VA)
- Norfolk Public Library
- Rockingham Public Library (Harrisonburg, VA)
- Virginia Library and Information Network (State)

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Virginia Library Catalogs

Colleges and Universities

- Averett College

- Bridgewater College
Login as "library"
- Christopher Newport University
Login as "hello cnu.lib". Exit with ctrl-] escape
- College of William & Mary (telnet or Web)
Login as "lion" with VT100 terminal type. Exit with END then EXIT
- Eastern Mennonite University
- Eastern Virginia Medical School
Login as "golis"
- Emory & Henry College
Login as "library"
- Ferrum College
- George Mason University (telnet or Web)
- Hampden-Sydney College
Login as "library"
- Hollins College
Login as "fishburn"
- James Madison University
Login as "library"
- Lynchburg College
- Mary Washington College
- Old Dominion University
- Radford University
- Randolph-Macon Woman's College
- Regent University
Login as "library"
- Roanoke College
Login as "campus"
- Sweet Briar College
- University of Richmond
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- University of Virginia
- University of Virginia Health Sciences (telnet or Web)
- University of Virginia Law
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- Virginia Commonwealth University (tn3270)
- Virginia Community College System
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 - Central Virginia Community College
 - Dabney S. Lancaster Community College
 - Danville Community College
 - Eastern Shore Community College
 - Germanna Community College
 - J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
 - John Tyler Community College
 - Lord Fairfax Community College
 - Mountain Empire Community College
 - New River Community College
 - Northern Virginia Community College
 - Patrick Henry Community College
 - Paul D. Camp Community College
 - Piedmont Virginia Community College
 - Rappahannock Community College
 - Southside Virginia Community College

- Southwest Virginia Community College
- Thomas Nelson Community College
- Tidewater Community College
- Virginia Highlands Community College
- Virginia Western Community College
- Wytheville Community College
- Virginia Intermont College
Login as "library"
- Virginia Military Institute
- Virginia Wesleyan College
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University
- Washington & Lee University
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Other Libraries

- Alexandria Public Library
- Fairfax County Public Library
- Library of Virginia
- Lynchburg Public and Jones Memorial Libraries
- Montgomery-Floyd Regional Library (Christiansburg, VA)
- Norfolk Public Library
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- Rockingham Public Library (Harrisonburg, VA)

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- Old Dominion University
- Piedmont Virginia Community College
- Randolph-Macon College
- Roanoke College
- University of Virginia
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

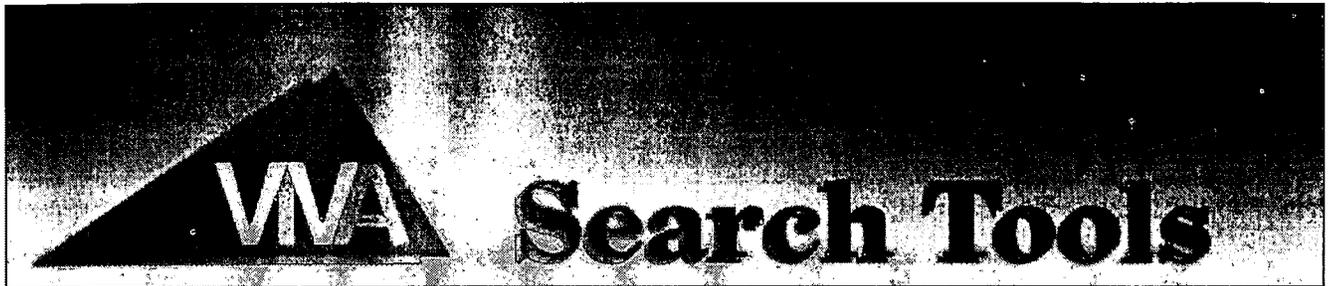
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- Alta Vista
- Argus Clearinghouse
- EInet Galaxy
- Excite
- Hotbot
- InfoSeek
- InterCat
- Lycos
- Magellan
- Open Text
- WebCrawler
- World Wide Web Worm
- WWW Virtual Library
- Yahoo
- Yanoff's Internet Services List

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● **Multiple Search Engines**

- All-In-One Search Page
- All4One
- Highway 61
- Inso
- Metacrawler
- Profusion
- Savvy Search
- SuperSeek

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● Useful Lists

- Colleges and universities
 - International: Alphabetical or Geographical
 - United States
 - Virginia
 - Ecola's College Locator
- Directory of email discussion groups (Inter-Links)
- Directory of Scholarly and Professional E-Conferences
- Gopher Jewels
- People and businesses
 - Bigfoot
 - Four11
 - Internet @ddress.Finder
 - Open Market's Commercial Sites Index
 - Switchboard
 - Whowhere
 - World Wide Yellow Pages

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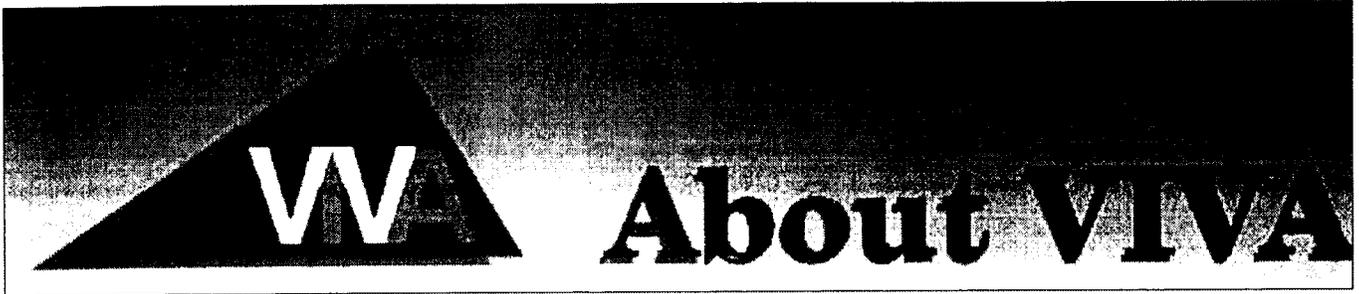
- The Harvest Information Discovery and Access System
Integrated set of tools to gather, extract, organize, search, cache, and replicate relevant information across the Internet. Harvest is used to search Web servers in VIVA libraries.
 - InterNIC Directory & Database Services
Searchable databases of Internet resources.
 - WWW Frequently Asked Questions
Basic questions and answers about the Web.
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VIVA is the consortium of the libraries of the 39 state-assisted colleges and universities (at 51 campuses) within the Commonwealth of Virginia. These include:

- the 6 doctoral institutions
- the 9 4-year comprehensive colleges and universities and
- the 24 community and 2-year branch colleges (at 36 campuses).
- In addition, 27 of Virginia's independent (private) colleges and universities participate where possible.

The Map of Participating Institutions provides a clickable map of the Commonwealth of Virginia, with links to each institution for directions, campus map information, and the library's web site. The schools are also listed alphabetically and by size and type of school.

VIVA's Mission

VIVA's mission is two-fold. First, VIVA works to enhance support of Interlibrary Lending (ILL) among all VIVA libraries. Second, VIVA seeks to improve access for its faculty and students to collections, both the shared access to online library resources and the coordination of collection development by the Commonwealth of Virginia's academic libraries serving higher education.

Budget and Financial Benefits

The Commonwealth of Virginia's General Assembly appropriated \$5,238,221 for the 1994-96 Biennium. (The original proposal is available.) The proposal for continued funding for the 1996-98 Biennium (approximately \$5 million) is currently under consideration at the State level. In addition to the resources allocated through the General Assembly, individual institutions have supported the VIVA project in a variety of ways, most notably through the significant amounts of time donated by dedicated library staff members throughout the Commonwealth. VIVA libraries take pride in knowing that the estimated financial benefits through group purchases (money saved over what would have been spent had each individual institution purchased that resource) during the first year is about \$5 million, approximately equal to the 1994-95 Biennium budget. And, in many cases, these are resources that many of the smaller schools would not have been able to purchase in an electronic form without the VIVA Project.

Committees

VIVA's work is carried out through several committees, each of which has a carefully-balanced composition to ensure representation of all VIVA members and to meet that committee's mission. The primary VIVA Committees are:

- The Steering Committee
- The Collections Committee
- The InterLibrary Loan (ILL) Enhancements Committee
- The Special Collections Committee
- The Technical Issues Committee
- The User Services Committee.

Communication

VIVA Contacts Directory

Since a large part of our VIVA work involves communicating with colleagues at the participating schools, we have developed a contacts listing for key areas. Each Library Director has been sent one copy of the printed version of this directory. However, the most current information can be found at our web site on the VIVA Contacts Directory . The fulltext search tool provides access to the information very quickly (even if you only know a first name). Contact information is included for the VIVA committees and for contacts in these key areas at all VIVA participating schools:

- Director
- Collection Development
- Interlibrary Loan
- Serials/Union List
- Special Collections and Archives
- Technical Issues
- User Services

VIVA Listserv

VIVA uses the listserv to communicate information to all VIVA members. Directors, committee members, and other interested VIVA library staff members are the primary audience. This is an open and unmoderated listserv. To subscribe, send e-mail to:

listserv@borg.lib.vt.edu with the following message:
subscribe vavirtua-l@borg.lib.vt.edu Your Name

Leave the subject area blank. You will receive a confirmation that you have been added.

Other VIVA Resources

Technical Information

Our Technical Information Page provides information about and links to our vendors' web sites, as well as other technical information of interest to the VIVA consortium.

PowerPoint Presentations

Several VIVA powerpoint presentations have been developed to describe VIVA, its purpose, organization, and progress to date. VIVA libraries are encouraged to adapt the presentation to fit their needs at their

schools. The most recent version is available in two formats:

- **continuous loop version** (vivatime.ppt PowerPoint 4.0 ppt file) appropriate for stand alone shows, or the
- **manual advance version** (vivanew.ppt, PowerPoint 4.0 ppt file) suitable for individual presentations.

You may also preview the presentation via your web browser.

VIVA Icon Library

The VIVA project has developed the new logo in several sizes for use on the VIVA web pages. VIVA libraries are encouraged to incorporate the VIVA logo (particularly the "small.gif" and the "tiny.gif") on their libraries' web sites when referring to VIVA resources. Netscape (and several other browsers) provide a feature to assist webmasters in borrowing gifs from one page to another, but we have also provided a VIVA Icon Library for our VIVA consortium.



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FACT SHEET

GOAL: To increase the availability of fundamental information, as well as scientific and scholarly materials, for instruction and research use by students and faculty of all publicly supported universities and colleges in Virginia. Components: • Cooperative acquisition and operation of collections of electronic information • Improved sharing of Virginia's exceptional print and microform collections • Significant financial benefits through group purchases.

PROGRESS TO DATE:

Electronic Collections

58 databases with citations to journal articles and other sources in fundamental, broad-based disciplines through contract with OCLC's FirstSearch.

Full text access to 380 basic academic journals in the humanities, social sciences, and non-technical general sciences, with citations for 1,500 additional journals, from Information Access Company's Expanded Academic Index/ASAP.

150 consumer health magazines, five health reference books, articles from 2,500 popular periodicals, and over 500 pamphlets on health issues, all full text, in Health Reference Center from Information Access Company.

Project Muse, unlimited access to 16 journals published electronically by Johns Hopkins University Press; all 47 journals to be available by December, 1997.

General BusinessFile from Information Access Company, with indexing and abstracting of 850 business and management journals, along with full texts of investment reports for over 1,000 companies.

Computer Database/ASAP (Information Access), indexing and abstracting of 110 journals covering computers, telecommunications, and electronics publications; over half contain the full text.

Britannica Online, an information service from the editors of the Encyclopaedia Britannica, including Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary (10th edition), Britannica Book of the Year, and Nations of the World.

Oxford English Dictionary, Second Edition.

English Poetry, full text database from Chadwyck-Healey with works of 1,350 poets from Anglo-Saxon period to 1900.

English Verse Drama, full text database (Chadwyck-Healey) of more than 1,500 works of the late 13th through the 19th century.

African-American Poetry, full text database from Chadwyck-Healey of 2,500 poems of the period from 1760-1900.

Open Text software purchased to take full advantage of the enhanced search capacity of Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML) incorporated into full text products.

Improved Resource Sharing

Fast, high quality transmission of articles, photos, and other documents over the Internet through purchase for all sites of Ariel for Windows, developed by the Research Libraries Group.

Capacity for user-initiated interlibrary loans with OCLC's FirstSearch.

Linking of library catalogs for remote searching.

Fiche-to-fiche duplicators made by Connecticut Micrographics and purchased to reproduce selections from local microform collections.

Financial Benefits

Cooperative purchasing for as little as 13% of the list price for individual institutional purchases of resources selected. Range of costs has been 13% - 54% of list price.

PARTICIPANTS: All publicly supported colleges and universities in Virginia.

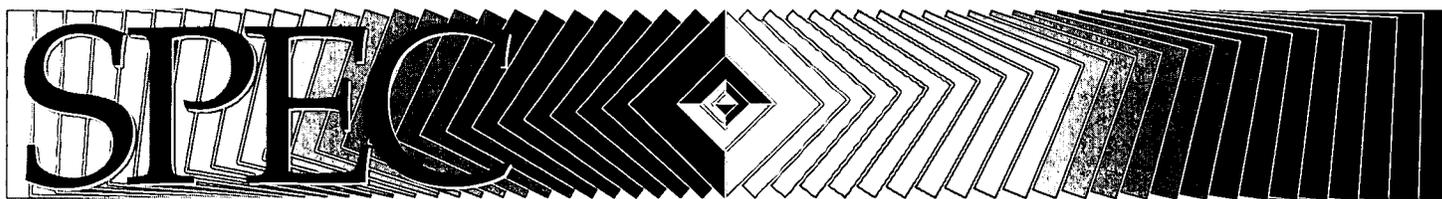
6 doctoral universities

9 comprehensive institutions

24 community and two-year branch colleges

28 private institutions participate where possible

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S Y S T E M S A N D P R O C E D U R E S E X C H A N G E C E N T E R

CONSORTIAL AGREEMENTS



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
CONCERNING THE
TRIANGLE RESEARCH LIBRARIES NETWORK
(TRLN)

A cooperative endeavor of Duke University, North Carolina Central University,
North Carolina State University, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

TRIANGLE RESEARCH LIBRARIES NETWORK

HISTORICAL NOTE

Cooperation among the academic research libraries of the Research Triangle dates to 1933 when the presidents of the University of North Carolina and Duke University created the Committee on Intellectual Cooperation. Library cooperation became the strongest and most enduring component of the 1935 *Program of Cooperation* of the universities. This cooperation later expanded to include the libraries of North Carolina State University and has now grown to incorporate the libraries of North Carolina Central University. For most of its history, the cooperative programs consisted of coordinated collection development and resource sharing.

Library cooperation was revitalized in 1977 when the Triangle Universities Libraries Cooperation Committee (TULCC) was formed to develop a technical and organizational support system for resource sharing. The name Triangle Research Libraries Network was adopted in 1980. The first Memorandum of Understanding was signed in 1984 and revised in 1987. They emphasized the systems development mission of TRLN, narrowly defining its purpose as: "to develop and maintain a network of online catalogs and other automated library systems."

This new Memorandum of Understanding incorporates North Carolina Central University into TRLN for the first time. It also broadens the purpose statement to incorporate the traditional programs of cooperative collection development, resource sharing, and technical innovation, with new concepts of collaboration for leveraging institutional resources to improve access to information for our users in a technologically advanced environment.

I. MISSION

The Triangle Research Libraries Network is a collaborative organization of Duke University, North Carolina Central University, North Carolina State University, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, the purpose of which is to marshal the financial, human, and information resources of their research libraries through cooperative efforts in order to create a rich and unparalleled knowledge environment that furthers the universities' teaching, research, and service missions.

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II. MEMBERSHIP

A. Member Institutions. The member institutions of TRLN are Duke University, North Carolina Central University, North Carolina State University, and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

B. Requirements for Membership – Institutions.

1. Member Institutions must:
 - a. be institutions of higher education,
 - b. have a library that is eligible to be a member of TRLN,
 - c. consent to this Memorandum of Understanding as attested by the ratifying signature of their, presidents or chief executive officers, and
 - d. assume fiscal responsibility for support of TRLN. Such fiscal responsibility includes the assessment of annual dues, proportional costs of joint projects and other assessments as shall be mutually agreed upon.
2. The Governing Board may recommend the addition or removal of member institutions to the chief executive officers of the member institutions.
3. Continuance of institutional membership requires:
 - a. at least one of its libraries is a member,
 - b. all annual dues and assessments must be remitted within the current fiscal year and on a semiannual or more frequent basis
4. Member institutions shall be defined as members in good standing when they meet all of the above conditions.
5. The chief executive officer of a member institution may withdraw his/her institution from membership in TRLN by written notice to the chief officer of every other member institution.
 - a. Such notice must be given at least one year in advance of the effective date or longer, as may be required by the particulars of TRLN contractual obligations with third parties.

C. Requirements for Membership -- Libraries.

1. A new member library must:
 - a. be a library of a TRLN member institution,
 - b. be a member of a national bibliographic utility,
 - c. consent to this Memorandum of Understanding,
 - d. be separately administered within its institution and report to a dean, provost, or equivalent level administrator,
 - e. have a total budget exceeding \$750,000 (in 1995 dollars) and professional library staff of 4 or more FTE,
 - f. maintain copies of its machine-readable bibliographic records in a TRLN-accessible database, and
 - g. be recommended to the Governing Board by its member institution.
2. The Governing Board may add or remove libraries as members of TRLN, upon unanimous consent of the members in good standing.
3. The chief officer of a member library may withdraw his or her library from membership in TRLN by written notice to the chief officer of every other member library.
 - a. This notice of withdrawal should be signed by the chief executive officer of the withdrawing library's institution to show that he or she has consented to the withdrawal.
 - b. Such notice must be given at least one year in advance of the effective date or longer, as may be required by the particulars of TRLN contractual obligations with third parties.

III. GOVERNANCE

A. Governing Board.

1. **Responsibilities.** The ultimate authority within TRLN is the Governing Board. The Governing Board is responsible for retaining qualified executive leadership for TRLN, establishing policy, approving operating budgets, overseeing assets, and setting strategic directions.
2. **Membership.** The membership of the Governing Board consists of the Provosts of the member institutions, the University Librarian from each member institution, the chair of the Council of Directors, and the TRLN Executive Director, *ex officio*.
3. The chair of the Governing Board is a provost of a member institution. The chair rotates among the member institutions on two-year terms.
4. **Meetings.**
 - a. **Annual Meeting.** The Governing Board meets at least annually, at such time and place as the chairperson of the Board may determine, giving reasonable written notice of time and place to the members of the Board.
 - b. **Special Meetings.**
 1. Special meetings may be called by the chairperson upon written request from two or more members of the Board specifying the business to be transacted at the meeting.
 2. Special meetings may be held at such time and place as the chairperson of the Board may determine, giving the members of the Board reasonable notice of time, place, and the business to be transacted.
 - c. **Quorum.** A quorum consists of a majority of the members of the Board, including at least one from each member institution.

B. Executive Committee.

1. **Responsibilities.** The Executive Committee engages in planning, conducts mid-year budget reviews, plans the annual board meeting, and makes decisions as necessary between meetings of the full Board.
2. **Membership.** The membership of the Executive Committee consists of the chair of the Council of Directors, the other library members of the Governing Board, and the TRLN Executive Director, *ex officio*.

3. **Chair.** The chair of the Executive Committee shall be a library director from the same member institution as the chair of the Governing Board. The chair rotates among the member institutions on two-year terms.

C. Council of Directors.

1. **Responsibilities.** The Council of Directors initiates programmatic directives, reviews proposals, identifies and studies issues of interest to the directors and provides advice and counsel to the Executive Committee concerning TRLN and its operations.
2. **Membership.** Composition of the Council of Directors is defined in the addendum.

- D. Decision making.** The Governing Board and Executive Committee proceed in decision making by unanimous consent of the members in good standing. When formal votes are taken, each member institution in good standing has one vote, and no project or action shall be undertaken nor any policy adopted without unanimous consent of the members in good standing.

IV. STAFF

- A. **Central Staff.** TRLN has a central staff to support cooperative endeavors of the member institutions. This central staff consists of an Executive Director and such other regular staff as may be necessary to accomplish its goals. All permanent and temporary staff are under the direction of the Executive Director.
- B. **Temporary Staff.** TRLN also employs temporary project staff as is appropriate to pursue funded projects. Member institutions may assign staff from time to time as appropriate for projects that may be underway.

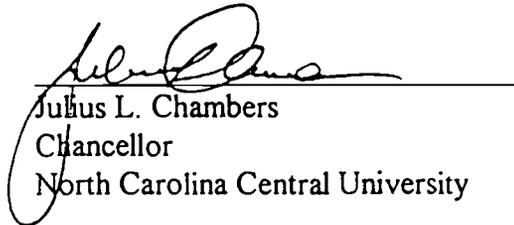
V. HOST INSTITUTION AND OTHER SUPPORT

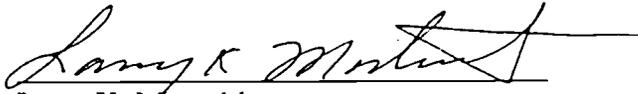
- A. **Host Institution.** TRLN is hosted by one of the member institutions, hereafter designated as the host institution.
 - 1. **Responsibilities of Host.** The host institution provides space for TRLN staff and operations and certain kinds of clerical and administrative support (e.g., purchasing and accounting services) on terms agreeable to the Governing Board and the host institution.
 - 2. **Term.** The period for serving as host institution shall be a minimum of three years and may be re-negotiated for additional three-year periods with the mutual consent of the Governing Board and the member institution that is willing to be host.
- B. **Other Support.** Upon agreement, any member institution may serve TRLN by housing projects, supplying services, or serving as contract signatories.

VI. AMENDMENT AND REVIEW

- A. **Amendment.** This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by unanimous approval of the chief executive officers of the member institutions.
- B. **Review.** At a minimum, the Governing Board shall review this Memorandum of Understanding every five years. The Governing Board shall submit to the chief executive officers for their consideration any suggested amendments that it deems worthy.
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ADDENDUM OF CURRENT PRACTICE

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS

The Council of Directors consists of the library directors of the member libraries or their designees and the TRLN Executive Director, *ex officio*. The number of representatives from an institution will not exceed the number of directors from the institution with the largest number of independently administered libraries which are members of TRLN. Members of the Council of Directors may bring others at their discretion. The chair of the Council of Directors is elected by the membership and rotates among the member institutions on the basis of two-year terms. The chair and chair elect of the Council of Directors and the chair of the Executive Committee cannot be from the same institution. The chair of the Council of Directors shall not be a University Librarian. The Council meets at least quarterly.

COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Attendant committee structure will be organized under the TRLN Executive Director. TRLN shall be the coordinating agency for joint committees. A formal agreement for the organization and constituency of committees will be developed after the new organizational structure is in force.

GOALS

TRLN leverages resources to accomplish the following goals:

- to extend the scope of information resources and services available to our users through libraries and campus networks
- to create new library and information services
- to make information accessible to users among member institutions in a convenient, timely, and equitable manner
- to develop and pursue strategic partnerships that enhance our ability to deliver information and services
- to provide a forum for discussing cooperative library and information issues
- to seek external funding in support of these goals

- to maintain a leadership role among universities in the provision of collaborative research library services

TRLN MEMBER LIBRARIES

Duke University:

Fuqua School of Business Library
Law Library
Medical Center Library
William R. Perkins Library

North Carolina Central University:

James E. Shepard Memorial Library
Law Library

North Carolina State University:

NCSU Libraries

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill:

Academic Affairs Library
Health Sciences Library
Kathrine R. Everett Law Library

ORGANIZATION CHART

GOVERNANCE

GOVERNING BOARD

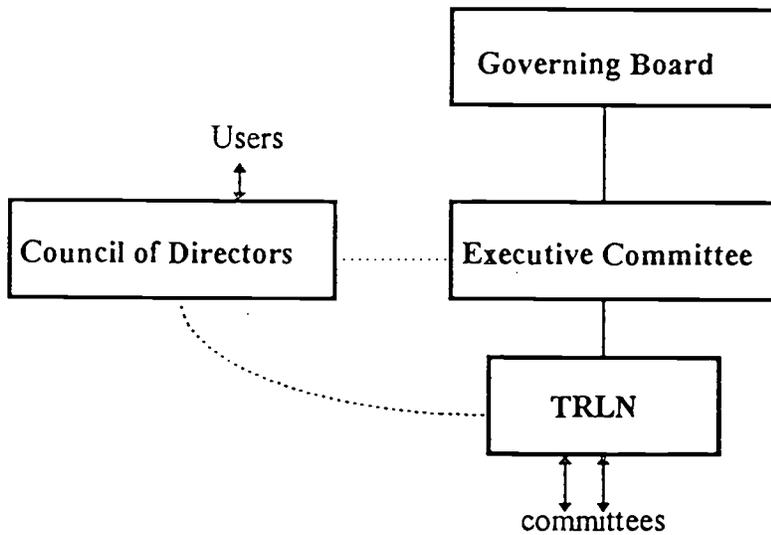
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- 4 Library Directors
- Chair of Council of Directors (non-UL)
- Executive Director

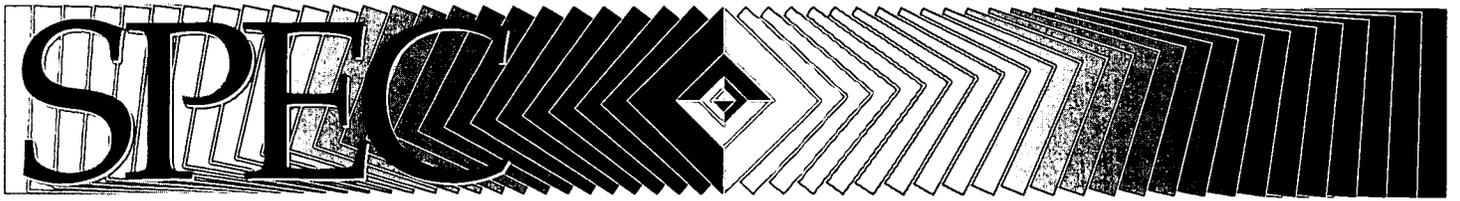
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 4 Library Directors
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COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS

- Directors of Member Libraries (or designees)
- Executive Director





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ACCESS TO ELECTRONIC DATABASES

ASSOCIATION OF RESEARCH LIBRARIES



OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES



Research Databases: Alphabetical Listing

Most of these databases require a telnet session. If you cannot connect, please make sure you have correctly configured telnet for your browser.

OhioLINK only Databases with this label are provided by OhioLINK and may be searched from locations outside Alden Library. Use of these of these databases is restricted to students, faculty, and staff of Ohio University. These are the only databases available for searching through the Web at the present time.

SearchNet only These databases are available only on the Libraries' SearchNet system. They are not available via the World Wide Web or modem access.

Here is a brief description of locations and access to electronic databases.

PDF -- Links marked PDF are guide sheets to OhioLINK databases which are in Adobe Acrobat format. In order to view them, you will need to download the Adobe Acrobat Reader and install it as a Helper Application for your browser. You can obtain the Adobe Acrobat Reader [here](#).

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ABI/INFORM (1971 to the present; updated monthly) **OhioLINK only**

- About ABI/Inform
- Periodicals Indexed in ABI/Inform
- Articles from some of the periodicals indexed in ABI/Inform are available via Electronic Article Delivery. Here is a list of those titles

AIDSLine (1980 to the present; updated quarterly) **OhioLINK only**

- About AIDSLine
- Guide to Health Databases - Easy Mode
- Guide to Health Databases - Full Mode

America: History and Life (1983 to the present; updated three times a year) **SearchNet only**

- About America: History and Life

Anthropological Literature (1984 to the present; updated quarterly) **OhioLINK only**

- About Anthropological Literature
- Guide to RLG-Eureka Databases

Applied Science & Technology Index (October 1983 to the present; updated monthly) **OhioLINK only**

- About Applied Science & Technology Index

Art Index (1984 to the present; updated monthly) **OhioLINK only**

- About Art Index

Article First/Contents First (1990/92 to the present; updated daily) **OhioLINK only**

- About Article First/Contents First

Avery Index to Architecture Periodicals (1977 to the present; updated daily) **OhioLINK only**

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BioethicsLine (1973 to the present) **OhioLINK only**

- About Bioethicsline
- Guide to Health Databases - Easy Mode
- Guide to Health Databases - Full Mode

Biography Index(1984 to the present; updated monthly) **OhioLINK only**

- About Biography Index

Biological Abstracts (1990 to the present; updated monthly) **OhioLINK only**

- Guide to Health Databases - Easy Mode PDF
- Guide to Health Databases - Full Mode PDF

- Biological Abstracts -- 1995
- Biological Abstracts -- 1994
- Biological Abstracts -- 1993
- Biological Abstracts -- 1992
- Biological Abstracts -- 1991
- Biological Abstracts -- 1990

Biological & Agricultural Index (1983 to the present; updated monthly) **OhioLINK only**

- About Biological & Agricultural Index

Book Review Digest (January 1983 to the present; updated monthly) **OhioLINK only**

- About Book Review Digest

Broadcast News (1982 to the present; updated monthly) **SearchNet only**

- About Broadcast News

Business NewsBank **SearchNet only**

- About Business NewsBank

Business Periodicals Index **SearchNet only**

- About Business Periodicals Index

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C**CancerLit -- 1990 to the present; updated monthly** **OhioLINK only**

- About CancerLit
- Guide to Health Databases - Easy Mode
- Guide to Health Databases - Full Mode

CD NewsBank **SearchNet only**

- About CD NewsBank

ComIndex **SearchNet only**

- About ComIndex

Compact D/SEC **SearchNet only**

- About Compact D/SEC

Compendex -- 1987 to the present; updated quarterly **OhioLINK only**

- About Compendex

Compustat PC Plus **SearchNet only**

- About Compustat PC Plus

Contemporary Authors -- Biographical data on 90,000 current writers **OhioLINK only**

- About Contemporary Authors

Criminal Justice Abstracts **SearchNet only**

- About Criminal Justice Abstracts

Cumulative Book Index -- 1982 to the present **OhioLINK only**

- About Cumulative Book Index

Current Biography **SearchNet only**

- About Current Biography

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D**Dissertation Abstracts -- 1861 to the present; updated** **OhioLINK only**

- About Dissertation Abstracts
- Guide to Dissertation Abstracts

- Subject Codes in Dissertation Abstracts (text version)
- Subject Codes in Dissertation Abstracts (HTML table version)
- Institution Codes in Dissertation Abstracts (text version)
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Education Index -- 1985 to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
○ About Education Index

Encyclopaedia Britannica -- Full text of the encyclopedia **OhioLINK only**
○ About Encyclopaedia Britannica

Encyclopedia of Associations -- Directory of 120,000+ organizations and associations **OhioLINK only**
○ About Encyclopaedia of Associations

English Short Title Catalogue -- updated daily **OhioLINK only**
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ERIC -- 1966 to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
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Essay & General Literature Index -- June 1983 to the present; updated semi-annually **OhioLINK only**
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Ethics Index **SearchNet only**
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Ethnic Newswatch **SearchNet only**
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F & S Index **SearchNet only**
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Film Index International **SearchNet only**
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- General Science Index** **SearchNet only**
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- HANNAH Online** -- Ohio legislature and government; updated daily **OhioLINK only**
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- Handbook of Latin American Studies** -- updated annually **OhioLINK only**
○ About Handbook of Latin American Studies
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- Health Reference Center** **SearchNet only**
○ About Health Reference Center

- Health Star** --1975 to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
○ About Health Star
○ Guide to Health Databases - Easy Mode
○ Guide to Health Databases - Full Mode

- Hispanic American Periodicals Index** -- 1970 to the present; updated annually **OhioLINK only**
○ About Hispanic American Periodicals Index
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- Historical Abstracts** **SearchNet only**
○ About Historical Abstracts

- History of Science & Technology** -- 1987 to the present; updated annually **OhioLINK only**
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- Humanities Index** **SearchNet only**
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- Index to Legal Periodicals** --1981to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
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InfoTrac -- Last 3-4 years; updated monthly **SearchNet only**
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Lexis-Nexis **SearchNet only**
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Library Literature -- December 1984 to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
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MEDLINE -- 1966 to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
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MLA International Bibliography **SearchNet only**
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Monthly Catalog of U.S. Government Publications -- 1976 to the present; updated monthly **SearchNet only**
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Newspaper Abstracts --1989 to the present; updated weekly **OhioLINK only**
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Nursing & Allied Health -- 1982 to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
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PAIS: Public Affairs Information Service -- 1972 to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
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PCI: Periodical Contents Index -- retrospective indexing of humanities and social sciences journals from the late 1700s to 1991.
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PapersFirst --Conference proceedings from 1993 to the present; updated monthly **OhioLINK only**
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PsycInfo --1967 to the present; updated quarterly **OhioLINK only**
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Readers' Guide to Periodical Literature -- 1983 to the present; updated monthly **SearchNet only**
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RILM: Abstracts of Music Literature **OhioLINK only**
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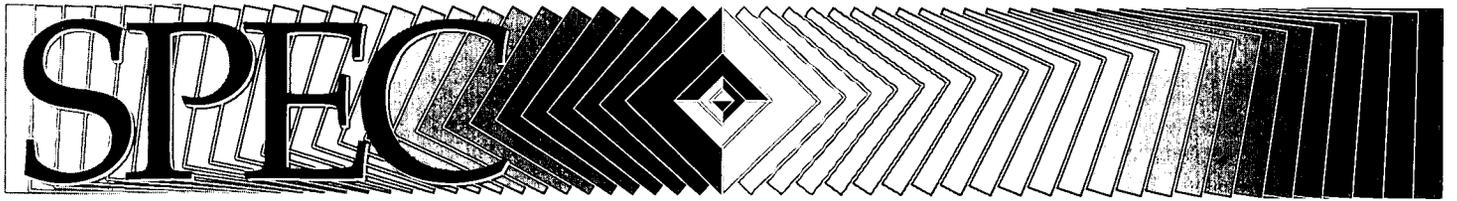


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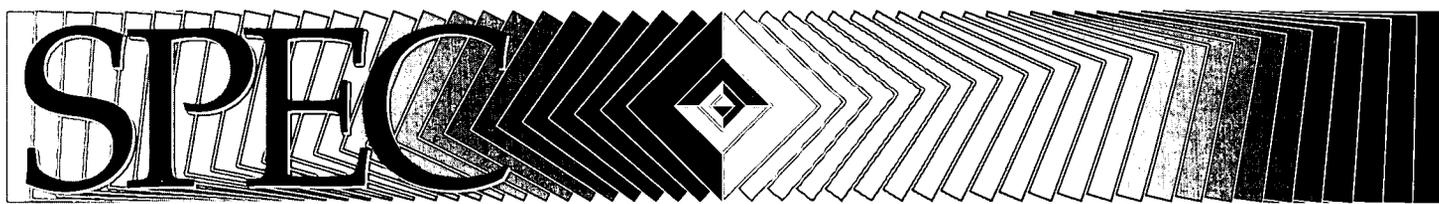
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