E-Resources from the Library

Electronic resources from full-text articles to electronic books and databases are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year at www.lib.lsu.edu or, go to www.lib.lsu.edu/epubs for quick access to all. Whether you’re on campus, at home or in your office a variety of electronic resources may be accessed by users via our website round the clock. The following highlights can be found on our web site.

Online Catalog

Use our online catalog to search for over 4 million books, journals and other physical and electronic items in the library. Items are searchable by keyword, author, title, subject, etc. in basic search mode. Click on “Advanced Search” (just below basic searching) and you can refine your search by many more options.

Indexes and Databases

Over 500 indexes and databases are available (many full text) from our website. The databases are listed alphabetically on the A – Z list from the library web page and also are arranged by subject. Database descriptions and instructions for remote access are also included. The most frequently used databases are noted for your convenience. Most databases can be accessed off campus if you are an LSU user and have Internet access. The few databases restricted to campus use are so noted. You will need to log into the myLSU portal located on the Library home page, www.lib.lsu.edu, or through the LSU home page, www.lsu.edu, with your E-mail or LSU ID plus your Password to access the Indexes and Databases remotely. After logging in, click on “Library Resources” located on the left of the screen, then select “Indexes and Databases.”

Electronic Books

E-books can be accessed through the various databases located on the Library home page by clicking on “Databases” or by visiting www.lib.lsu.edu/databases. Some of the e-books are located at the eBook Collection (EBSCOhost), others can be found by searching the Databases specific to your interests.
Electronic Journals

We have over 30,000 full text electronic journals available from our website; we provide online full-text access to virtually all of our journal subscriptions from major publishers, and we offer countless online full-text journals through a variety of aggregator journal databases. Simply click on “EJournals” and search for them by title or subject. For example, to find electronic journals on engineering, or another subject, and in what databases they are included, go to www.lib.lsu.edu/epubs/ejournals to access Journalfind and choose to search by Title. Also, you may choose to search through “Advanced Search” or through the EJournals by Subject.

Interlibrary Loan

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Ingenta

Graduate students or faculty members in need of an article right away can sign up for Ingenta. You can obtain articles from journals not owned by the library in an average of 24 to 48 hours. The articles are faxed or e-mailed to Interlibrary Library Borrowing (ILB) or directly to the requestor. Articles costing $50 or less are free to patrons. Articles costing more will incur a fee. Check out the Ingenta website at www.lib.lsu.edu/databases/descriptions/ingenta.

Ask a Librarian

Asking reference questions has never been so easy. While reference librarians are available seven days a week to answer questions in person, requests can also be sent by phone at (225) 578-8875 or by Text at (225) 308-1733, e-mail, and especially live chat through instant messaging during certain hours. Send your questions to www.lib.lsu.edu/virtual and select from the various options or call the reference desk at (255) 578-8875.

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LSU Libraries A-Z

A-Z is an alphabetical list of the contents of the LSU Libraries’ website and is extremely helpful in navigating the many available resources. It is located as a tab in the purple bar at the top of the screen. Click on “A – Z” to get the alphabetical list of contents at www.lib.lsu.edu/contents.