



The Library & Information Resources Network Virtual Library Collection – September 1, 2008

This report provides an overview of the LIRN virtual library. **LIRNSearch**, a federated search engine was added to the collection this last academic year. Our vendors have added several new features and resources. This information may be useful in apprising your staff, faculty and students of the resources that can be incorporated in your curriculum and accessed for research.

A copy of this report is also being sent to all accreditation bodies that accredit our member institutions.

The LIRN library contains a core collection that includes InfoTrac databases: Academic ASAP, Academic OneFile, Business Resource Center, Criminal Justice Center, Computer, Custom Newspapers, General Business File, Health & Wellness Resource Center, Health Academic, LegalTrac, Literature, Newsletters, One File, Opposing Viewpoints, Student Resource Center, ProQuest's Psychology databases, the eLibrary and Bowker databases. Additional databases may be added at an additional cost. These include the ProQuest Academic and ABI Global module, and a ProQuest medical module. There are millions of articles, television and radio transcripts, photographs, video and audio clips, encyclopedias, books and reference titles in the collection.

The LIRN library also includes **Resources for College Libraries (RCLweb)** providing recommended titles and library resources for specific academic programs on multiple degree levels.

LIRNSearch was added to the library this past academic year. **LIRNSearch** gives researchers the ability to search all LIRN databases by subject matter with a single query.

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(Core collection)

InfoTrac Databases

Academic OneFile

Academic OneFile contains 12,300 journals including 2,500 peer reviewed journals that are not found in Academic ASAP. Coverage for every field of study is included.

Business Resource Center

Business and Company Resource Center is a fully integrated resource bringing together company profiles, brand information, rankings, investment reports, company histories, chronologies and periodicals. Predicast's PROMT and Newsletter databases are fully integrated in this database. Search this database to find detailed company and industry news and information. Business and Company Resource Center contains 5,569 periodicals and 25 reference titles

Criminal Justice Center

This collection contains 804 journals and 18 reference titles that support paralegal and criminal justice programs.

Computer Database

This database contains computer-related product introductions, news and reviews in areas such as hardware, software, electronics, engineering, communications and the application of technology. There are 1,004 titles in this database.

Custom Newspapers

Indexing and full text for the London Times (1/97-), Intl Herald Tribune (1/96--), Atlanta Journal-Constitution (3/98-), New York Times (11/00-), Los Angeles Times (1996-), Christian Science Monitor (1996-), and St Petersburg (FL)Times (11/99-).

Expanded Academic ASAP

From arts and the humanities to social sciences, science and technology, this database meets research needs across all academic disciplines. The database provides access to scholarly journals, news magazines, and newspapers – the majority with full text and images. There are 4,856 journals in the database.

General Business File

Analyze company performance and activity, industry events and trends as well as the latest in management, economics and politics. Access to a combination of broker research reports, trade publications, newspapers, journals and company directory listings with full text and images is available. The general business file includes 5,400 titles.

Health & Wellness Resource Center

The Resource Center gives students access to magazines, journals, newspapers, definitions, directories, with information on: Fitness, Pregnancy, Medicine, Nutrition, Diseases, Public Health, Occupational Health and Safety, Alcohol and Drug abuse, Prescription Drugs, etc. Included are links to diet, cancer, and health assessment sites as well as government databases.

Health & Wellness Resource Center includes 1,305 journals, 700 videos, 102 reference titles and 334 pamphlets. It also includes an alternative health module which contains 64 journals and 6 reference titles.

Health Academic

This database has articles on: Fitness, Pregnancy, Medicine, Nutrition, Diseases, Public Health, Occupational Health and Safety, Alcohol and Drug abuse, HMOs, Prescription Drugs, etc. There are 2,325 journals and 81 reference titles in the database.

LegalTrac

LegalTrac contains 900 journals supporting paralegal and criminal justice programs.

Literature Database

Literature Resource Center provides access to biographies, bibliographies, and critical analyses of authors from every age and literary discipline. Combining Gale Group's core literary databases in a single online service, the Literature Resource Center covers more than 120,000 novelists, poets, essayists, journalists, and other writers, with in-depth coverage of 2,500 of the most-studied authors. It also includes web sites, literary events, plot summaries and images.

There are 372 journals with 229 titles linked to the MLA international bibliography, 28 reference titles, and 16 titles from the Scribner writer's series and the Twayne's Author series covering 586 authors.

Newsletters ASAP

Newsletters ASAP provides access to information from specialized business, industry and technology newsletters issued by various news services and industry watchers. There are over 185 full text newsletters in the databa

Opposing Viewpoints

Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center draws on the acclaimed social issues series published by Greenhaven Press, as well as core reference content from other Gale and Macmillan Reference USA sources to provide a complete one-stop source for information on social issues. Students have access to viewpoint articles, topic overviews, statistics, primary documents, links to websites, and full-text magazine and newspaper articles.

Opposing Viewpoints has 470 reference titles including several specialized encyclopedias, 291 full-text periodicals, and newspapers. OVRC also contains web sites, primary source documents and a statistics file. The database is also linked to the Academic ASAP database for document searches.

Resources for College Libraries (RCLweb)

RCLweb provides core lists for academic libraries in multiple academic subject areas. The list of recommended titles includes electronic resources and essential web sites as well as books. Audience level markers indicate whether a title is most appropriate for lower-division undergraduate, upper-division undergraduate, faculty or general readership. RCLweb contains a powerful search engine able to search a variety of criteria. Members will be able to create their own lists appropriate to their programs. RCL alerts offers notification e-mails when a new title of interest is added to the database.

RCL offers additional Analytical Tools that are available to members. Contact the LIRN office if you are interested in the product. Pricing will depend on the level of member interest.

Student Resource Center Gold

This is a fully integrated database containing thousands of curriculum-targeted primary documents, biographies, topical essays, background information, critical analyses, full-text coverage of magazines, newspapers, over 20,000 photographs and illustrations, and more than 8 hours of audio and video clips. It includes the Student Resource Center-Health Module. The resource center also includes style writing guides and tutorials on research. The database has 1,321 journals and 77 reference titles.

For current information on titles in these databases visit the InfoTrac/LIRN training center or the Cengage/Gale.com web site.

The LIRN training center contains tutorials, title lists, brochures, fact sheets, PowerPoint presentations, search tips and a list of upcoming webinars.

The eLibrary

The eLibrary, provides access to full-text articles and transcripts from more than 2,500 magazines, newspapers, books, and radio/TV programs, along with access to more than 250,000+ photographs and maps and over 20,000 unique educational audio/video resources.

The eLibrary is a 100% full text, general research database. It contains more than 920 magazines, 231 newspapers, maps, books, photos, transcripts, audio and video resources. It also contains the complete works of Shakespeare, other classic full-text literature resources and a Reference Desk with dictionaries, a thesaurus, encyclopedias and more.

Current product information and training materials can be found at www.ProQuest12k.com/productinfo/eLibrary.

Proquest Psychology Journals

With complete information from over 647 top psychology and related publications, this database meets the needs of both students and mental-health professionals. All the source publications are available in the ASCII full-text format. Nearly all of them also offer articles in the full-image and text and graphics in science & technology formats.

Bowker Books in Print

Books in Print provide librarians with access to information on all books in publication.

Optional Module 1

ProQuest

ABI/INFORM Archive

ABI Archives are runs of 145 popular Business Management Journals that range from Issue 1, Volume 1 to current date. These are full runs of the most popular business publications.

ABI/INFORM Complete

ABI Complete is ProQuest's top-of-the-line business offering. The LIRN library includes ABI Global plus ABI Trade & Industry, and ABI Dateline. ProQuest acquisitions of other publishers have added 125 titles from Kluwer Academic Publishing, 40 titles from the John Wiley & Sons Boldideas collection and 11 academic titles from Palgrave MacMillan. ABI Complete contains 4,099 titles.

ABI/INFORM Global

This database contains 2,917 leading business and management publications, including over 300 English-language titles from outside the US. It also contains the Wall Street Journal. ABI/INFORM is known as one of the premiere business database around the world.

ABI/INFORM Trade & Industry:

ABI Trade & Industry provides access to detailed information on 60,000 companies. There are 1,282 business publications and journals, most in full text, each one focusing on a particular trade or industry, were carefully selected for inclusion in the database. A small set of core business publications (including Business Week and Forbes) is included in the database.

ABI/INFORM Dateline:

Based on the popular CD-ROM product Business Dateline, ABI Dateline provides business researchers with access to 198 hard to find local and regional business publications. With this product, users can search for information on local companies, marketing trends, business & economic conditions, prominent business people, and more. This versatile database can be searched alone or with its companion business databases ABI Global and ABI Trade & Industry. There is only a four-title overlap with ABI Global, and no overlap with ABI Trade & Industry.

Research Library Complete

This is a comprehensive General Reference database.

The major subject areas covered are; arts, education, general interest, health, humanities, international, law, military, multicultural, psychology, sciences, social science and women's Issues.

A current list of titles may be viewed on the Proquest.com web site.

Optional Module 2

ProQuest Health & Medical Complete

ProQuest Health & Medical Complete is designed to serve a wide range of people who need health information--from hospital administrators to medical professionals to consumers. The database covers more than 380 leading health journals and includes thousands of complete articles.

ProQuest Health and Medical Complete™ combines the clinical research titles available in ProQuest Medical Library™ with hundreds of additional consumer and health administration titles. ProQuest Health and Medical Complete provides in-depth coverage from over 1,492 publications and of these, over 1,000 include MEDLINE® indexing.

In addition, the database includes all charts, diagrams, graphs, tables, photos, and other graphical elements essential to medical research.

The journals cover all major clinical and healthcare disciplines, including medical sciences, immunology, pharmacy and pharmacology, nursing, physical fitness and hygiene, surgery, and others. Titles include:

- *The New England Journal of Medicine*
- *The Lancet*
- *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*
- *Journal of Clinical Investigation*
- *American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine*
- *The American Journal of Psychiatry*
- *Diabetes*
- *Canadian Medical Association. Journal; CMAJ*
- *Rheumatology*
- *American Journal of Public Health*

ProQuest Nursing and Allied Health Sciences

ProQuest Nursing & Allied Health Source™ provide users with reliable healthcare information covering nursing, allied health, alternative and complementary medicine, and much more. This versatile database is designed to meet the needs of researchers at healthcare facilities as well as nursing and allied health programs at academic institutions. ProQuest Nursing & Allied Health Source provides abstracting and indexing for more than 798 titles.

ProQuest Nursing & Allied Health Source covers over 70 wide-ranging topics including:

- Cytology
- Nursing
- Nutrition
- Oncology
- Pediatric Care
- Pharmacology
- Public Health
- Radiology

ProQuest Nursing & Allied Health Source includes leading nursing and related publications. Among the titles are:

- *Association of Operating Room Nurses. AORN Journal*
- *Journal of Nursing Scholarship*
- *Oncology Nursing Forum*
- *Journal of Gerontological Nursing*
- *Journal of Psychosocial Nursing & Mental Health Services*
- *Critical Care Nurse*
- *Journal of Speech, Language, and Hearing Research*
- *Physical Therapy*
- *Journal of Athletic Training*
- *Journal of Rehabilitation*
- *The Canadian Journal of Occupational Therapy*
- *Journal of Allied Health*
- *Applied Radiology*
- *Clinical Laboratory Science*
- *Dental Assistant*
- *Canadian Journal of Respiratory Therapy*

Training

There is a link to the LIRN/InfoTrac training site on the portal page. Training modules provide tutorials, guided tours, marketing materials, LIRN publications and a list of Gale web seminars (webinars). Faculty may attend the online/telephone seminars and receive a certificate of attendance from the LIRN office to document professional development.

LIRN schedules training throughout the year. You may also contact the LIRN office lirn.office@verizon.net to receive email notices of upcoming events.