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## Collaborative Online Catalogs and Open Access Repositories: How They Benefit Researchers

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# Collaborative Online Catalogs

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# What is a collaborative online catalog?



- ❧ It's an online library catalog that contains records and data from a collaboration of libraries.
- ❧ OCLC's WorldCat Discovery is a collaborative online catalog.
  - ❧ it contains catalog records from over fifteen thousand member libraries in 120 countries.

# About OCLC (Online Computer Library Center)



- ❧ OCLC was founded in 1967 as a nonprofit, member-driven library community, originally named the Ohio College Library Center, it was a collaboration among Ohio library directors and university presidents who wanted to create a cooperative, computerized network for Ohio libraries.
- ❧ The plan was to merge these libraries' catalogs electronically through a computer network and database in order to streamline operations, control costs, and increase efficiency in library management.

# OCLC's WorldCat



- Between 1967 and 1977, OCLC membership was limited to institutions in Ohio, but in 1978 a new governance structure was established that allowed institutions from other states to join. In 2002, this structure was again modified to accommodate international participation.
- OCLC's WorldCat is the largest online public access catalog (OPAC) in the world. WorldCat currently has holding records from almost 17,000 public and private libraries worldwide.

# How Collaborative Online Catalogs Benefit Researchers



- ❧ A collaborative catalog, such as WorldCat Discovery, will allow you to discover materials not only within your library but within libraries all over the world, using the same, familiar catalog interface the whole time.
- ❧ Within a single search you can discover more than 2.7 billion physical and electronic holdings records.



A subject search on “To Kill A Mockingbird” retrieving only Winthrop University library materials yields 9 results.

The screenshot shows the Winthrop University library website. The search bar at the top contains the text "su:to kill a mockingbird". Below the search bar, the "Selected Filters" section shows "Winthrop University" selected. The "Library" section shows "Winthrop University" selected, while "Libraries Worldwide" and "PASCAL Delivers" are unselected. The search results section shows "9 results" sorted by "Relevance Only". The first result is "1. To kill a mockingbird" by Harold Bloom, a print book from 1998, held by Winthrop University. It is marked as "Available" in the Dacus Library General Collection. A link to "View all editions" is provided.

The same search expanded to ‘Libraries Worldwide’ (materials from any participating OCLC library) yields 385 results.

The screenshot shows the Winthrop University library website with the same search criteria. The "Selected Filters" section now shows "Libraries Worldwide" selected, while "Winthrop University" and "PASCAL Delivers" are unselected. The search results section shows "385 results" sorted by "Relevance Only". The first result is "1. To kill a mockingbird" by Robert Mulligan, Alan J. Pakula, Horton Foote, Gregory Peck, and Phillip Alford, a DVD video from 2012, held by PASCAL Delivers. It is marked as "Available" in the Dacus Library General Collection. A link to "View all editions" is provided.



# How Collaborative Online Catalogs Benefit Researchers



Because you can view materials that other libraries have, you can feel more confident about placing Interlibrary Loan requests.

## To kill a mockingbird

by [Carmel Waldron](#)  
Print book 2012  
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**Description**

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Institution	Libraries	Distance
<a href="#">Ybp Library Services Yankee Book Peddler</a>	Yankee Book Peddler	757.33 mi <a href="#">Map</a>
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<a href="#">Trinity College Library Dublin</a>	TCD	3729.61 mi <a href="#">Map</a>
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<a href="#">Wirral Library</a>		3858.55 mi <a href="#">Map</a>

# How To Use a Collaborative Online Catalog



The screenshot displays the Winthrop University Library's Advanced Search interface. The header features the library's name and logo, along with links for 'Library Links' and 'Sign In'. Below the header, there are links for 'Darius Library', 'Course Reserves', and 'My List'. The main section is titled 'Advanced Search' and contains several search fields and filters.

**Search Fields:**

- Keyword: A text input field.
- AND: A dropdown menu.
- Title: A text input field.
- Buttons: 'Add row', 'Clear', and 'Search'.

**Limit your search:**

- Format: All Formats (dropdown)
- Year: e.g., 2010 through Optional (text input)
- Language: All Languages (dropdown)
- Audience: Any Audience (dropdown)
- Content: Any Content (dropdown)
- Location: Winthrop University (dropdown)

**Databases:**

- 1 Selected
- Buttons: 'Save Changes', 'Reset'

**Searching Databases:**

- 1 Selected
- WorldCat (checked)
- Buttons: '?', 'Select All in Group'

**All Databases:**

- 63 Databases
- Buttons: 'Select All in Group'

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# Open Access Repositories





# Repositories



## What are they?

- ❧ Databases that showcase the breadth of scholarship produced at a given institution

## What can they do?

- ❧ Host :
  - ❧ Faculty and **Student** Scholarship, including lectures
  - ❧ Data Sets
  - ❧ Campus Journals
  - ❧ Conference proceedings
  - ❧ Administrative documents
  - ❧ Much More!

# Open Access



## ❧ What is it?

❧ is free, immediate, permanent online access to the full text of research articles for anyone across the web

## ❧ Two Paths

❧ Open Access Journal Publishing

❧ **Open Access Self-Archiving** authors provide OA to their own published articles, by making their own e-prints free for all.





# Benefits



- ❧ **Showcase work** in one place
- ❧ **Easy** to use
- ❧ **Indexed by google** and other search engines
- ❧ Allows users to follow authors and receive updates through **email lists and RSS feeds**
- ❧ Provides authors with **statistics** reports. (download count, referrers ect.)

# Demo





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**SCHEDULE:**

Time	Event	Location
12:30pm-1:00pm	Check-in	Richardson Lobby
1:00pm-4:30pm	Sessions	DiGiorgio Campus Center and West Center
4:45pm-5:30pm	Cocktail Reception and Keynote Speaker	Richardson Ballroom

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