



Adding Persistent Links to Blackboard or a Website

SCC Library

Definitions

A **persistent link** (also called a **persistent URL**) is a URL that links directly to an article in a database, bypassing the need to search the database to find it again. If you want to direct your students to a specific article in an SCC Library database, you can include a persistent link on a Blackboard page or your own Web page.

A **proxy prefix** is a string of text that must be added to the beginning of a database's persistent URL in order to permit access to the article from off-campus. It redirects a URL to an authentication page where off-campus users enter their valid SCC client login user name and password to gain access to the database. If a database's persistent link does not already include a proxy prefix, you must add the default SCC Library proxy prefix,

<http://ezproxy.sc.maricopa.edu:2048/login?url=>

Inserting a persistent link in your Blackboard assignment

- Type the article title in the Blackboard assignment window
- Select the text you just typed and click the Hyperlink button in the toolbar
- Compose and enter the persistent link for an article using the steps listed below (see "Composing a persistent link") for the appropriate database
- Click the Submit button to save the hyperlink and close the Hyperlink window

Composing a persistent link

Our most popular databases

EBSCOhost (all databases, including Academic Search Premier)

- Search for an article and then click on an article title to view the full citation
- Scroll to the end of citation to find the ***Persistent Link to this record:***
- Select the full URL, which already includes the proxy prefix, and copy it to your clipboard (use Ctrl-C or Cmd-C on a Mac)
- Paste the URL from your clipboard (use Ctrl-V or Cmd-V on a Mac) immediately after it

Gale (all databases, including Academic OneFile)

- Search for an article and then click on an article title to view it
- Click on the **Bookmark** link in the upper left corner of the screen
- Select the full URL and copy it to your clipboard (use Ctrl-C or Cmd-C on a Mac) (Note: an easy way to select this entire URL is to triple-click on it)
- Type the SCC proxy prefix (**http://ezproxy.sc.maricopa.edu:2048/login?url=**) and paste the URL from your clipboard (use Ctrl-V or Cmd-V on a Mac) immediately after it

Wilson (all databases, including Omnifile Full Text)

- Search for an article and then click on an article title to view the full citation
- Scroll to the end of citation to find **Persistent URL:**
- Choose the appropriate link for your needs: **Click to copy the HTML full text article link** or **Click to copy the PDF full text article link**.
- The Windows clipboard contains the URL plus a brief citation. You will need to paste this into a temporary location, such as a Microsoft Word, Wordpad, or Notepad document and then select and copy only the URL
- Type the SCC proxy prefix (**http://ezproxy.sc.maricopa.edu:2048/login?url=**) and paste the URL from your clipboard (use Ctrl-V or Cmd-V on a Mac) immediately after it

National Newspapers (including Arizona Republic)

- Search for an article and then click on an article title to view it
- Find the **Document URL** at the end of the page
- Select the full URL and copy it to your clipboard (use Ctrl-C or Cmd-C on a Mac)
- Type the SCC proxy prefix (**http://ezproxy.sc.maricopa.edu:2048/login?url=**) and paste the URL from your clipboard (use Ctrl-V or Cmd-V on a Mac) immediately after it

Lexis/Nexis

- Search for an article and note the title of the publication and the author, title, and publication date of the article
- Use the "Durable Links Builder" at http://www.amdev.net/lna_article_link.php
 - Fill in the publication, author, title, month, day, year fields
 - Click the **Submit** button
 - Select the full URL and copy it to your clipboard (use Ctrl-C or Cmd-C on a Mac) (Note: an easy way to select this entire URL is to triple-click on it)
- Type the SCC proxy prefix (**http://ezproxy.sc.maricopa.edu:2048/login?url=**) and paste the URL from your clipboard (use Ctrl-V or Cmd-V on a Mac) immediately after it

Additional databases

Access Science

- Search for and display a topic and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

AP Images

- Search for and display an image and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

Birds of North America

- Search for and display a topic and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

CQ Researcher

- Search for and display an article
- Email the full article to yourself
- Copy the URL given in the email
- Type the SCC proxy prefix (<http://ezproxy.sc.maricopa.edu:2048/login?url=>) and paste the URL from your clipboard (use Ctrl-V or Cmd-V on a Mac) immediately after it

History Reference Center

- Follow the procedures for all EBSCOhost databases

JSTOR

- Search for and display an article and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

Oxford English Dictionary

- Search for and display a definition and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

OvidSP

- Search for an article
- Choose the **Ovid Full Text** link to display the article
- Click **Email Jumpstart** in the “Article Tools” box
- Copy (or email yourself) the “Jumpstart URL”
- Type the SCC proxy prefix (<http://ezproxy.sc.maricopa.edu:2048/login?url=>) and paste the URL from your clipboard (use Ctrl-V or Cmd-V on a Mac) immediately after it

Nature

- Search for and display an article and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

Routledge Encyclopedia of Philosophy

- Search for and display an article and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

PsycARTICLES

- Search for and display an article and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

PubMed

- If the full text of an article is available through PubMed, use the appropriate method below:
 - If the article is a **free article from journal's Web site**, display the article and copy the URL; the URL already contains a proxy prefix
 - If the article is available by clicking an **SCC Library** button, click the button to display the article and follow the instructions for EBSCOhost databases
- If the article is available free from PubMed, display the article and copy the URL; do not add any proxy prefix

Science

- Search for and display an article and then copy the URL from the address bar
- The URL already contains a proxy prefix

ScienceDirect

- Search for and display an article
- Click **E-Mail Article**
 - Fill in the text boxes with your name and email address
 - Choose to "Send E-mail in" **Plain text (ASCII)**
- Copy the URL given in the email
- Type the SCC proxy prefix (**http://ezproxy.sc.maricopa.edu:2048/login?url=**) and paste the URL from your clipboard (use Ctrl-V or Cmd-V on a Mac) immediately after it