WorldCat Discovery release notes, October 2018

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Introduction

The following release notes are for the October 18, 2018 release of WorldCat Discovery.

WorldCat Discovery October release highlights

Users can filter to open access content from the WorldCat.org database and then access open access content with full-text DOIs informed by Unpaywall.

Users can also understand more about named persons’ relationships to a work with the statement of responsibility (245 subfield c), understand how to request librarian assistance on broken links with updated language, and recognize when record notes are from their local institution.

Additionally, institutions can request OCLC to add a privacy notice to patron and staff login screens.

Recommended actions

- Configure open access DOI links to display as primary full text links, informed by Unpaywall (The default setting is "Off" for this configuration).
- Request OCLC to add a privacy notice to patron and staff login screens

Include Request ID with problem reports

When reporting an issue with WorldCat Discovery, it is extremely helpful to include the Request ID. The Request ID is found at the bottom of the screen on which the issue occurred. Including this information allows us to directly trace what happened on the request we are troubleshooting.
New features and enhancements

OCLC commits to privileging open access content

OCLC partners with publishers and aggregators to advance methods that privilege open access collections and provide greater visibility and accessibility to open content. As your library cooperative, we are well positioned to help leverage the access and discovery of open access content in our services. Beginning with this release, OCLC will start work on several improvements and collaborations to improve the user experience and prioritize open access content.

Filter to open access content from the WorldCat.org database

Open and freely available content is published digital content that is free, immediate and online, with the rights to use that content fully in a digital environment. Since this content is difficult to identify, a new open access content filter helps users leverage a curation of WorldCat.org source databases that provide open content.

When searching WorldCat.org in WorldCat Discovery, users can filter their search to display only open access search results:
The content filter is also available on the Advanced Search page:
The open access content filter narrows a user’s search to a subset of WorldCat.org databases known for providing open access content. The WorldCat.org must be selected as a database to retrieve results from the filter.

The open access subset of databases from WorldCat.org will continue to grow beyond those currently available:

- BioMed Central
- Directory of Open Access Books
- Directory of Open Access Journals
- HBO Kennisbank
- Hindawi eJournals
- KnowledgeUnlatched
- OAIster
- Open Editions Revues.org
- Open Access Publishing in European Networks
- Opened Hypotheses
- Opened Books
Access reliable open access content with configurable Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs) full text links using Unpaywall

Expanding on the ability to filter to open access content, users can access open content using DOI full text and open access links provided by Unpaywall. Unpaywall uses an industry-proven algorithm to resolve to the best online location, and the location where the DOI is most likely to be supported and preserved. For more information on Unpaywall, please see their FAQ: [https://unpaywall.org/faq](https://unpaywall.org/faq).

When libraries enable DOI full text links, DOIs will inform the Access Online action on search results, detailed records, and Course Reserves in WorldCat Discovery. DOIs are compared to Unpaywall data to ensure that only DOIs leading to open access content display. If a DOI is not present in Unpaywall, then the DOI will not inform the Access Online button, but it will continue to display in the Description of detailed records.

DOIs will display on both WorldCat and non-WorldCat records as a primary access online link when a matching Unpaywall DOI exists:
DOI links are configured off by default. Configure DOI links on at OCLC Service Configuration -> My WorldCat.org -> Full Text and Open Access Links -> WorldCat Discovery Search Results and Detailed Views -> Links from DOI:
View detailed author and title information from 245 subfield c within detailed records

Due to collaboration with the Music OCLC Users Group (MOUG), additional responsibility information contained in the 245 subfield c of MARC records is now used to differentiate individuals’ relationships to a work. The additional responsibility information includes composer, librettist, arranger, and performer(s), among others.

Users can find this content in the Description of detailed records labeled “More author/title information”: 
Report a Broken Link updated to “Request librarian assistance”

Based on user feedback shared in the WorldCat Discovery Community Center, text on the Report a Broken Link email form has been updated to read “Request librarian assistance” instead of “Request feedback”:

https://help.oclc.org/Discovery_and_Reference/WorldCat_Discovery/Release_notes/2018_Release_notes/050Wor...
The message "Requesting librarian assistance may result in a corrected link to full text" will be deleted in an upcoming release.

**Institution-specific LBD notes are labeled to help identify more relevant notes**

To help users identify more locally relevant notes from local bibliographic data (LBD) fields, the Description on detailed records now labels institution-specific notes with the institution’s name:
Add a privacy notice for staff and patron login

Institution administrators can now request OCLC to add an institution-defined privacy notice to the staff and patron login step for many OCLC services including WorldCat Discovery.

If you add a privacy notice, it will be displayed after the staff or patron is presented with their login screen. The number of times the privacy notice is displayed is based on the timeframe configured for the institution.

To request the addition of a privacy notice for your institution, please contact OCLC support in your region.

The user first authenticates as before:
The user is then presented with the privacy notice:
The user can click Continue to progress to WorldCat Discovery. If Continue is not selected after 40 seconds, then the user will still continue to WorldCat Discovery.

**Bug Fixes**

**Navigation from local search results to worldwide editions preserves search context**

Users often navigate to WorldCat Discovery from custom search boxes on their library homepages. When library search boxes include filters to create a specific search context, such as only searching over locally held books, the context is sometimes lost when a user navigates to another edition from the Editions and Formats on the detailed record.

In order to help preserve the search context, first select an edition from the Editions and Formats to open the edition’s detailed record in a new tab. Then, close the new tab to continue the search session:
In future releases, we will work to better preserve the search context by persisting filters when navigating to editions and formats. Once this is done, we will be able to open editions directly in the same tab without disrupting the user’s search context.

**Outgoing OpenURL honors the OPAC settings grid configurations**

Previously, the Outgoing Open URL configurations were not be honored when no Local Holding Record (LHR) was present. Now, the configuration will be honored, even when no LHR is present.

If no Local Holding Records exists, WorldCat Discovery will look to the OPAC settings grid in OCLC Service Configuration -> My WorldCat.org -> OPAC Statuses, Locations and Circulation Policies -> No Status, No Location -> Full Text OpenURL column to determine if an Outgoing Full Text OpenURL should surface per format type:

![OPAC settings grid](image)

**Correction to append proxy to URL setting in Custom Links**

Users will see the proxy correctly append to the WorldCat Discovery page when a Remote Access Login proxy URL is setup in OCLC Service Configuration -> My WorldCat.org -> User Interface Options -> Custom Links -> Append current URL to the end of this link:
New content

This is a list of new databases added to WorldCat Discovery, WorldCat Local, and WorldCat.org since our last update.

You can enable these databases as search options in the Licensed Content and Databases module of the OCLC Service Configuration site. Please remember that your library must have a valid subscription to these databases in order to enable them.

Available in WorldCat Discovery, WorldCat Local, and WorldCat.org

From Brill

**Basilica Online**— Online edition of the 17 volumes of the Basilica text and its scholia.

**Yearbook of Muslims in Europe Online**— An essential resource for analysis of Europe’s dynamic Muslim populations.

From Captise 365

**DigiBib.Jeugd**— National policy reports, surveys, advice, concrete projects, protocols, and care plans.

**DigiBib.Zorg**— National policy reports, surveys, advice, concrete projects, protocols, and care plans.

From Edward Elgar
Elgar Encyclopedia of Environmental Law— The Elgar Encyclopedia of Environmental Law is a landmark reference work, providing definitive and comprehensive coverage of this dynamic field.

Elgar Encyclopedia of International Economic Law— The Encyclopedia is the definitive reference work on international economic law. This comprehensive resource helps redefine the field by presenting international economic law in its broadest, real-world context.


Encyclopedia of Private International Law— The Encyclopedia sheds light on the current state of Private International Law around the globe, providing unique insights into the discipline and how it is affected by globalization and increased regional integration.

From JSTOR

JSTOR Open Access Books— JSTOR offers high-quality, interdisciplinary content to support scholarship and teaching. It includes over one thousand leading academic journals across the humanities, social sciences, and sciences.

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JSTOR Security Studies Collection— JSTOR offers high-quality, interdisciplinary content to support scholarship and teaching. It includes over one thousand leading academic journals across the humanities, social sciences, and sciences.

JSTOR Security Studies Extension Collection— JSTOR offers high-quality, interdisciplinary content to support scholarship and teaching. It includes over one thousand leading academic journals across the humanities, social sciences, and sciences.

Available in WorldCat Discovery and WorldCat Local

From Gale

World Scholar: Latin America and the Caribbean— Resource for regional studies, combining primary and secondary sources to meet the needs and workflows of students and researchers

Important links

https://help.oclc.org/Discovery_and_Reference/WorldCat_Discovery/Release_notes/2018_Release_notes/050Wor…
Support website(s)

Support information for this product and related products can be found at:

- WorldCat Discovery support resources
- WorldCat Discovery Training
- OCLC Community Center
- Browser compatibility chart