WorldCat Discovery

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WorldCat Discovery is a cloud-based application that helps people easily find resources available at their library and in libraries worldwide through a single search. Library users and staff use their WorldCat Discovery instance to search the WorldCat database, to identify materials they need, and to see where they are available.

1. See [Introduction to WorldCat Discovery](#) to get started.
2. See how to [Configure WorldCat Discovery features](#) and [Search in WorldCat Discovery](#).
3. Find live and recorded [Training](#).

- **Get started**
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  Get started with WorldCat Discovery.
  
  - Available collections and databases
  - Create staff accounts
  - Definitions
  - Introduction to WorldCat Discovery
  - Staff features
  - WorldCat Discovery account roles

- **Configure WorldCat Discovery features**
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  WorldCat Discovery Services provides a suite of cloud-based applications that brings the FirstSearch and WorldCat Local services together.
  
  - Configuration for WorldCat Local libraries moving to WorldCat Discovery
  - Configure content and staff features
  - Configure patron facing features
  - Proxy settings checklist
  - Set up and use course reserves

- **Display local data**
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Learn how data unique to your institution displays in WorldCat Discovery.

- Full-text link display
- Local bibliographic data (LBD) field mapping
- Local holdings record (LHR) field mapping

**Search in WorldCat Discovery**

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Use advanced search strategies and filter results to optimize your search results in WorldCat Discovery.

- Search and use query syntax
- Filter and refine search results
- How item bibliographic data is displayed
- Share records and create citations
- Use the Advanced Search screen
- Searching the Central Index and Remote Databases in WorldCat Discovery
- FirstSearch and WorldCat Discovery index differences

**Promote**

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Use advanced features to create search links and search boxes to promote your library's WorldCat Discovery service.

- Create Advanced Search links and search boxes
- Promote WorldCat Discovery in your library

**Frequently asked questions**

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Frequently asked questions (FAQ) about WorldCat Discovery.

- Can I customize my library's WorldCat Discovery URL?
- Can library staff view MARC records in the Discovery interface?
- How do I represent my subscription content?
- What advanced search options are provided for expert searchers?
- What features are included in the staff view of WorldCat Discovery?
- What is the difference between WorldCat and WorldCat.org? What do I need to know about the central index?
- Which libraries should enable OCLC databases? Non-OCLC databases?
- Which WorldCat Discovery features are customizable?
- Will my ILS interoperate with WorldCat Discovery to deliver real-time availability status?
Will my library's coverage information be reflected if I enable non-OCLC databases of my subscription content?

- **WorldCat Discovery release notes and known issues**

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  Find WorldCat Discovery release notes and known issues. Release notes are documents that contain information about new product features and enhancements as installed in scheduled releases.

  - 2017 Release notes
  - 2018 Release notes
  - Known issues

- **Training**

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  Find training on WorldCat Discovery.

  - Live classes
  - WorldCat Discovery configuration: Content and staff features
  - WorldCat Discovery configuration: Patron-facing features
  - WorldCat Discovery search fundamentals
  - WorldCat Discovery interface features
  - Course reserves in WorldCat Discovery
  - Videos