

# Open Access Resources

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## EBSCO Open Dissertations

OpenDissertations.org is a collaboration between EBSCO and BiblioLabs that brings an innovative approach to increasing traffic and discoverability of ETD research.

This new collaboration extends the work started in 2014, when EBSCO and the H.W. Wilson Foundation created *American Doctoral Dissertations* which contained indexing from the H.W. Wilson print publication, *Doctoral Dissertations Accepted by American Universities, 1933-1955*. In 2015, the H.W. Wilson Foundation agreed to support the expansion of the scope of the *American Doctoral Dissertations* database to include records for dissertations and theses from 1955 to the present.

<https://biblioboard.com/opendissertations/>

## PQDT Open

PQDT Open provides the full text of open access dissertations and theses free of charge.

You can quickly and easily locate dissertations and theses relevant to your discipline, and view the complete text in PDF format.

<https://pqdtopen.proquest.com/about.html>

## EconBiz

- A **literature search** across important German and international databases, including the holdings of ZBW
- Access to free and licensed **full texts** on the internet
- A **calendar of events** for scholarly conferences and summer schools
- The reference service Research Guide EconDesk which **answers your questions** about the search for literature and statistical data.
- The section **research skills** with the online tutorial Guided Walk on how to search, evaluate and cite scholarly publications. As well as the Academic Career Kit for Early Career Researchers.

<https://www.econbiz.de/>

## The World Bank Open Data

At the World Bank, the Development Data Group coordinates statistical and data work and maintains a number of macro, financial and sector databases. Working closely with the Bank's regions and Global Practices, the group is guided by professional standards in the collection, compilation and dissemination of data to ensure that all data users can have confidence in the quality and integrity of the data produced.

<https://data.worldbank.org/about>

## Listing of Open Access DataBases

A large number of Government agencies, research institutions and academic institutions across the world create databases in various fields of science and technology. Today, many of these databases are available free on the World Wide Web through individual portals or websites of the respective organizations. Unfortunately, these databases are

not separately classified. So a user upon searching on the Internet gets thousands and millions of hits and keeps on clicking the websites to find if there is a relevant database associated with any of the websites. It is a time-consuming process and due to the limitation of search engines, only a hundred sites can be checked at any given point in time. It leads to poor awareness and accessibility of freely available databases.

The objective of Listing of Open Access DataBases (LOADB) is to create a web-enabled, linked, classified and categorized collection of Open Access Databases which one can access from a single portal. Although initial focus is on science and technology subjects, the ultimate aim is to include all subject areas.

### **DFAJ (Arabic)**

<http://www.dfaj.net/index.php?r=home/index>

### **Arabic Collection Online**

<http://dlib.nyu.edu/aco/>

### **Social Science Research Network**

Devoted to the rapid worldwide dissemination of social science research and is composed of a number of specialized research networks in each of the social sciences.

<https://www.ssrn.com/index.cfm/en/>

### **OAIster by WorldCat**

Union catalog of digital resources; contains digital resources from open archive collections. Represents multidisciplinary resources from more than 1,100 contributors worldwide. Records contain a digital object link allowing users access to the object in a single click.

<https://oaister.worldcat.org/>

### **Directory of Open Access Journals**

A comprehensive database of open access scientific and scholarly journals.

<https://doaj.org/>

### **OpenAIRE**

Based in Europe, provides access to 11,534,086 publications and 7,874 datasets from 5,869 repositories and OA journals.

<https://www.openaire.eu/>

### **OpenDOAR**

The Directory of Open Access Repositories service provides a quality-assured listing of open access repositories around the world.

<https://v2.sherpa.ac.uk/opensoar/>

### **PLOS Public Library of Science**

PLOS (Public Library of Science) is a nonprofit publisher and advocacy organization founded to accelerate progress in science and medicine by leading a transformation in research communication.

<https://plos.org/>

### **BioMed Central – The Open Access Publisher**

BioMed Central is an STM (Science, Technology and Medicine) publisher of 265 peer-reviewed open access journals.

<https://www.biomedcentral.com/>

### **PubMed Central**

A free full-text archive of biomedical and life sciences journal literature at the U.S. National Institutes of Health's National Library of Medicine (NIH/NLM).

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/>

## **ROAR – Registry of Open Access Repositories**

The aim of ROAR is to promote the development of open access by providing timely information about the growth and status of repositories throughout the world. Open access to research maximizes research access and thereby also research impact, making research more productive and effective.

<http://roar.eprints.org/>

## **ROARMAP – Registry of Open Access Repositories Mandatory Archiving Policies**

<http://roarmap.eprints.org/>

## **ROAD Directory of Open Access scholarly Resources**

ROAD provides a free access to a subset of the ISSN Register (1.7 millions of bibliographic records).

<http://road.issn.org/>

## **Ranking Web of World Repositories**

Exhaustive list of repositories world wide.

<http://repositories.webometrics.info/en>

## **Open Access Directory**

A wiki run by Simmons College and dedicated to open access issues in scholarly research and publishing.

[http://oad.simmons.edu/oadwiki/Main\\_Page](http://oad.simmons.edu/oadwiki/Main_Page)

## **Undergraduate Research Commons**

The Undergraduate Research Commons is a research portal and publishing resource for undergraduate students at institutions around the world.

<http://undergraduatecommons.com/>

### **Online Journals Published with Digital Commons**

A list of hundreds of open access journals published through the Digital Commons platform, which is what Arcadia uses for our institutional repository ScholarWorks@Arcadia.

<http://digitalcommons.bepress.com/online-journals/>

### **American Memory**

American Memory provides free and open access through the Internet to written and spoken words, sound recordings, still and moving images, prints, maps, and sheet music that document the American experience. [Library of Congress]

<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/index.html>

### **Chronicling America**

Search America's historic newspaper pages from 1836-1922 or use the U.S. Newspaper Directory to find information about American newspapers published between 1690-present.

<https://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/>

### **arXiv**

Open access to 989,444 e-prints in Physics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Quantitative Biology, Quantitative Finance and Statistics.

<http://arxiv.org/>

### **Data.gov**

Provides easy to find, download, and use datasets that are generated and held by the Federal Government.

<https://www.data.gov/>

### **Digital Public Library of America - DPLA**

Offers a single point of access to millions of items—photographs, manuscripts, books, sounds, moving images, and more—from libraries, archives, and museums around the United States.

<https://dp.la/>

### **Encyclopedia of Earth**

An electronic reference about the Earth, its natural environments, and their interaction with society.

<http://www.eoearth.org/>

### **Federal Digital System**

GPO's Federal Digital System (FDsys) provides free online access to official publications from all three branches of the Federal Government.

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/>

### **Historical U.S. Newspapers Online**

A listing of digitized historical U.S. newspapers available online for free.

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:List\\_of\\_online\\_newspaper\\_archives#United States/](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:List_of_online_newspaper_archives#United_States/)

### **JURN Directory**

3,000 links to selected arts & humanities ejournals. Journals listed are either free, or offer significant free content.

<http://www.jurn.org/directory/>

## **Internet Archive**

Offers permanent access for researchers, historians, scholars, people with disabilities, and the general public to historical collections that exist in digital format.

<https://archive.org/>

## **HathiTrust**

A partnership of academic & research institutions, offering a collection of millions of titles digitized from libraries around the world.

<https://www.hathitrust.org/>