Reference E-Books: The Other Hidden Collection

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•30,000 student enrollment
•2,500 faculty
•7 Libraries on Lawrence campus
•1 Library on Edwards campus

Introduction

- What is the problem?
- What was KU doing?



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	Cambridge dictionary of sociology general editor, Bryan S. Turner.
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Portion of Title:	Dictionary of sociology
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Subject(s):	Sociology –Dictionaries.
Genre Headings:	Electronic books
Publisher:	Cambridge [England] ; New York : Cambridge University Press, 2006.
Format:	Book
Description:	хх, 688 р.
Summary:	Examines both American and European traditions and approaches to sociology. Entries cover schools, theories, theorists and debates, with substantial articles on all key topics in the field. While recognising the richness of historical sociological traditions, the Dictionary also looks forward to new and evolving influences such as cultural change, genetics, globalization, information technologies, new wars and terrorism.
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Elsewhere

- What are others doing to address this issue?
 - Literature review
 - KU was not alone
 - LibGuides
 - Exploring the web

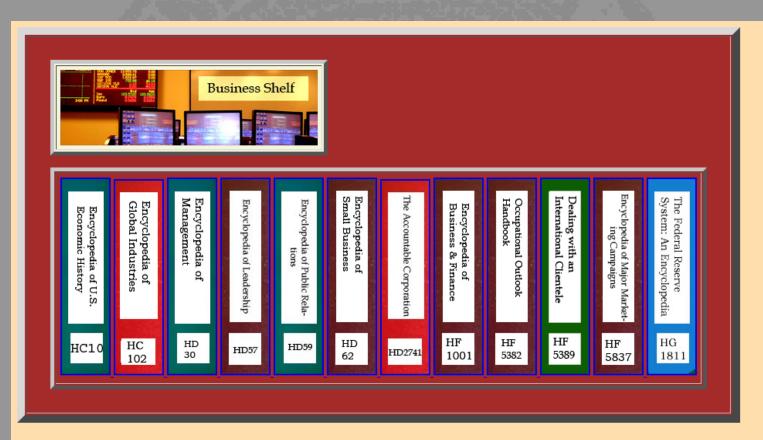
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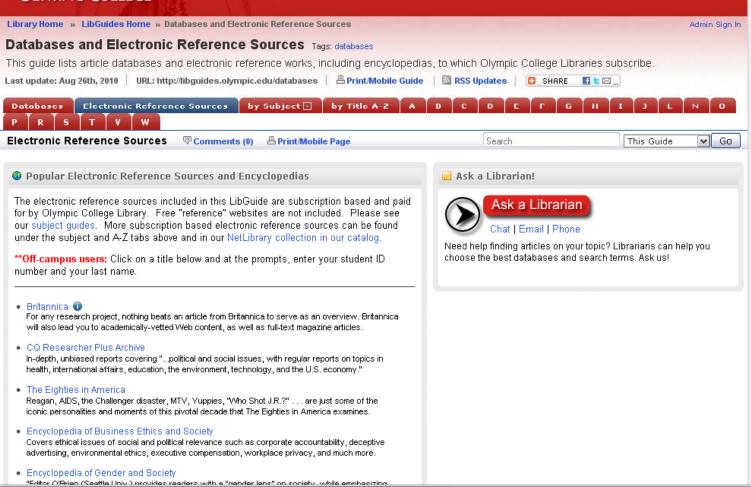
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Gathering Information

- Brainstormed
 - Dealing with a changing web environment
- Talked to Cataloging staff
- Identified reference packages
- Selected individual titles
 - What is a reference e-book?

Actions

- Added 655 field to MARC record
 - Bulk edit to titles in reference packages
 - Credo, Oxford, Gale
 - Individual titles
- LibGuide
 - Type
 - Subject access
 - Selected titles

Record with 655 added

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Anthropology	Engineering and Science	Medicine and Health	Social Welfare
Architecture and Design	Environmental Studies	Music	Sociology
Art and Art History	Geography	Philosophy	Theatre
Classical Studies	Government Information	Political Science	Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies
Communication Studies	History	Psychology	
Economics	Languages and Literature	Religious Studies	

American Studies

Encyclopedia of American Studies

Gale Encyclopedia of Multicultural America

St. James Encyclopedia of Popular Culture

Anthropology

Encyclopedia of Social and Cultural Anthropology

Oxford Companion to Archaeology

Architecture and Design

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Sharing Our Project

- Demonstrated at meetings

 Created tip sheet
- Feedback

Electronic Reference Works LibGuide project

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Objective : To increase use and awareness of reference e-books which the Libraries have purchased or licensed

Reference e-books at the title level

- Those that are database-like are listed on the A to Z "Articles and Databases" page
- Via the catalog
 - o All reference e-books are listed in the catalog
 - o A keyword search on "electronic reference works" will bring up all 750+ titles
 - In advanced search can be limited by doing a "Genre Headings" on "electronic reference works" and adding additional terms

Access through "Electronic Reference Works" LibGuide

- General Reference
 - General reference titles
 - o Access to the electronic reference e-book collections :
 - Credo
 - Gale Virtual Reference Library
 - Oxford Reference Online. Premium
 - All have title lists
 - All have federated searching
- By Subject
 - o Based on LibGuides taxonomy
 - Selective titles chosen from the 750+ reference e-books (approx 100 titles)
- Biographies
 - o Variety of resources to information about people
 - Dictionaries and Thesauri
 - English and non-English

How to help

- If you order a reference e-book let Fran or Sara know
- Review the subject headings and give us feedback on our current selections—remember it isn't comprehensive

Benefits

- Staff awareness
 - Tips on finding electronic reference works
 - Use in subject and course LibGuides
 - Perfect for IM reference questions
- Shrinking print reference collections
- Easier to justify expenses
 - Statistics

Next Steps

- Adding 655 to all new titles
- E-preferred reference collection
 - Evaluating best acquisition methods
- Continually reminding staff
- Implementing methods to teach patrons

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