Linking to Articles from Databases in Canvas

When linking to an article record in a database, it might be tempting just to grab the url from the browser's url window. **Don't!** This link is usually date and time stamped, and won't work tomorrow.

Most databases provide a link that will bring a user back to the record page of the database. Critical: make sure `http://libproxy.xu.edu:2048/login?url=` is in the front of the link. Not all databases include the proxy. Without the proxy prefix, people accessing it from off-campus will not get access.

Most databases accessible through XU Libraries provide what are called *persistent links* within record results. Of course, they are labeled differently by different vendors, and some can be challenging to find:

- **Stable URL** JSTOR

  Copy the Stable URL. Add the proxy in front of it without any spaces.

- **Permalink** - Ebsco databases and Search@XU (includes proxy)

  Click on “Permalink” and the link will appear at the top of the citation

- **Document URL** - Gale/Cengage

  At the end of the article will be a Document URL. Add the proxy.
• **Document URL** ProQuest databases (includes proxy)

At the end of the citation look for Document URL. The proxy is already included.

- **Electronic Journal Center (EJC)**

  ![EJC Image]

  Link to the citation not the actual full text of the article.


  ISSN: 0378-1119, DOI: 10.1016/j.gene.2013.08.137

  Elsevier Science

  [PDF Full Text]

  **History of gene therapy**

  Wirth, T.; Parker, N.; Yla-Herttuala, S.

  Don’t use the DOI (Digital Object Identifier) - We don’t recommend using the DOI as students are not easily able to find the full-text of the article that way.
**Linking to Individual Databases**

The simplest way to get persistent links for databases is from the library’s home page. Click on the “Databases tab”.

Search for the database by name, right click on the name of the database and then right click on “Copy Link Location”. This will then include the proxy for off-campus access. Paste this link into your document.

**Linking to Subject Lists of Databases**

Sometimes you may want to link to multiple databases in your discipline. If you click on the databases by subject link and select your subject, then copy the URL at the top of the page.
This is a persistent link for that subject list. It does not need the proxy in front of it since the individual databases have the proxy built in.

### Linking to Streaming Videos

We have several different collections of [streaming videos](#). The two main titles are [Educational Films and Documentaries](#) and [Films on Demand](#).

**Educational Films and Documentaries** (OhioLink) have permanent link at the bottom of the record. Use this and then students will be asked to authenticate.
Films on Demand has a “Title URL” that already includes the library proxy at the bottom of the record.

NOW PLAYING

**Madness: A History (50:58)**

In the past, there was no such thing as mental illness, only madness. Its treatment was often indistinguishable from torture or murder. This program follows the long, often grim road towards understanding and treating mental illness. Through testimonials, original manuscripts, photos, and extensive footage from medical archives, leading doctors and medical historians trace the history of asylums, the development of psychoanalysis, electroconvulsive therapy, and the rise of psychopharmacology. The program also details the once widespread use of phrenology, lobotomy, and lobotomy’s ancient precursor, trepanning (51 minutes)

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**Title URL**