



Link Directly to Articles in Library Databases

Linking to an article in a library database is possible from many of the databases provided by the library. In order to create these article links you need to pick a full-text article, find the stable URL for the article and add the library proxy URL in front of the stable URL of the article.

The library proxy URL needs to precede the link to an article in a library database. **If the proxy URL prefix is not used, the link will only work on the campus network.** The library's proxy prefix is:

<http://libproxy.xu.edu:2048/login?url=>

A stable URL is one that does not change over time. It is also called a permanent or persistent URL or PURL. Stable URLs are not provided by every database for which the library has a subscription. If you see XLinks in the database description, the database has stable URLs and you can directly link to articles in this database.

ABI/Inform Research (1971-present; much full-text; [RefWorks help](#); [XLinks](#); [title list](#)) is a scholarly business periodicals database. It provides information on

The difficult part of this two step process is identifying the database's stable URL. Each database vendor does this in a slightly different way. Directions are provided for the three library databases listed below:

EBSCO DATABASES (e.g., Academic Search Complete and others)

1. Go to the database, do a search, and find the article to which you want to link.
2. Click the title of the article.
3. To the right of the article information, click *Permalink*.
4. Copy and paste the URL that pops up after the library proxy prefix.

EJC (OhioLINK's Electronic Journal Center), JSTOR, & SCOPUS, etc.

1. Go to the database, do a search, and find the article to which you want to link.
2. Click the title of the article.
3. Select the URL in the location box of your browser and copy it.
4. Paste it after the library proxy prefix.

ProQuest Databases (e.g., ABI/Inform and others)

1. Go to the database, do a search, and find the article to which you want to link.
2. Click the title of the article.
3. At the bottom of the article information, highlight and copy the *Document URL*.
4. Paste it after the library proxy prefix.