

Canvas and Copyright: e-journals and eBooks

Only links to resources should be provided in Canvas. PDFs should not be embedded into modules.

The easiest way to abide by Copyright is to use the **Reading List** system and search the library collections to add links to resources. You can find a link in the side menu of all taught SIS modules in Canvas.

Why?

- To comply with Copyright regulations
- To comply with the terms and conditions of our subscription licences
- Library Services to monitor usage of our e-journals and eBooks more effectively, essential for usage statistics which are analysed when deciding which resources to renew.
- Register usage to publishers and enhance impact factors

Linking to e-journal articles varies according to which publisher provides access and falls into three categories:

- Publishers that use Digital Object Identifiers (DOIs) which can be accessed both on and off campus
- Publishers that use DOIs which can only be accessed on campus
- Publishers that use an alternative method of linking

To set up a permanent link to an e-journal LJMU must have a subscription to the e-journal or it must be an Open Access journal article. Without this the links will not work and the user will receive an error message or be prompted for payment.

We recommend that you include a full reference to the article/eBook you are linking to in Canvas rather than an abbreviation of the title with an annotated note on why students should read it.

DOIs (Digital Object Identifiers)

A DOI is a unique number assigned to articles published in journals and a number of other digital objects. If an article has a DOI, use this to create a link to it from within Canvas. This link will then allow access to the full text through the LJMU institutional subscription.

To form a link a DOI must be prefixed by the URL <http://dx.doi.org/> For example, adding the prefix to the above DOI will create the following the URL: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1109/TAC.2007.906158> which would link to the following article:

Kumar, R. and Takai, S. (2007) 'Inference-Based Ambiguity Management in Decentralized Decision-Making: Decentralized Control of Discrete Event Systems', *IEEE Transactions on*

Automatic Control, 52(10), pp.1783-1794.

- Locate the DOI link (this is usually on the abstract page of the article or the full bibliographic record on the database) journal article
- If the DOI is prefixed by the URL, for example: <http://dx.doi.org/> then you can copy and paste the URL directly into Canvas
- If the DOI does not have the URL prefix then you will need to manually add in the URL prefix <http://dx.doi.org/> to the DOI provided. Do not leave any spaces when copying and pasting DOIs as the link will not work. In the example below the URL to be copied into Canvas would be <http://dx.doi.org/10.1021/ic048322h>

To access articles off-campus students will need to login with their LJMU username and password. You may wish to include the following text in Canvas by the journal reference: Off-campus: Look for an option to login via your institution and/or Athens.

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We recommend that you check the link once inserted into Canvas to ensure it works and no further instruction is necessary.

Please note: to access the full text on some publisher websites, 'show all content' will need to be selected. If this occurs you may wish to include the following text in Canvas by the article reference: After logging in with your LJMU username and password select to 'Show all content'.

EBSCO Databases: Business Source Ultimate, CINAHL Plus with Full Text, Medline and SPORTDiscus with Full Text

- Select the title and then select **Permalink** icon in the right hand side of the screen in the **Tools** section
- A Permalink will appear above the record, copy and paste this into Canvas

HeinOnline

- From the full-text display of the article select the **Permanent Link** button
- The Permalink will appear above the record which you can then copy and paste into Canvas
- The URL that you can copy into Canvas will be displayed, see example below:
<http://heinonline.org/HOL/Page?handle=hein.journals/lablaw27&id=89>

Ingenta Connect Journals

Most Ingenta Connect articles use [Digital Object Identifiers](#) (DOIs). We recommend going direct to the publisher and using the DOI if there is one available.

JSTOR

Use the stable URL provided on search results pages, table of contents pages and citation pages.

Lexis+ Library

Lexis+ provides a **Share Link** option at the bottom of the page of each record.

Westlaw UK

To link to Westlaw articles, you will need to set up a My Westlaw account and then have Link builder added to your profile. To do this:

- After logging into Westlaw UK via Databases in Discover, select Create Profile on the pop up window
- Set up your My Westlaw profile then
- Email passwords@westlaw.co.uk with your email address and request that the Linkbuilder tool be added to your My Westlaw profile
- Once you've received notification that Linkbuilder has been added onto your profile log in to your profile in Westlaw
- Locate the article you want to link to
- Select the **Build Link** icon (at the top right of the screen)
- In the box that opens, un-tick **Save sponsor code** and tick **Athens Authentication**
- Copy and paste the link into Canvas.
- Students will be prompted to login to access the article

eBooks

There are an increasing number of eBooks available via Discover. It is only possible in Canvas to link directly to the beginning of an eBook. You will, therefore, need to specify the relevant parts of the book to be read in your instructions to the students. If you are using eBooks in your reading lists then we recommend you use the reading list software embedded in the menu of your Canvas module.

Further guidance

Please contact your Academic Engagement Librarian or submit a query via LJMU HelpMe.

For more detailed information on linking to e-journal articles see the following article, available electronically via the DOI link below:

Langston, M. and Tyler, J. (2004) 'Linking to journal articles in an online teaching environment: The persistent link, DOI and OpenURL', *Internet & Higher Education*, 7(1), pp 51-58.

<http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.iheduc.2003.11.004>

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