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**Research Databases Page Content Guidelines**

1. The goal of the Research Databases page (<http://linus.lmu.edu/search/y>) is to present selected electronic resources both alphabetically and by subject in an easily comprehensible way for library users. The main use of the page is to enter databases, which we define as licensed resources that contain curated and edited content such as journal articles, newspapers, and images, suitable for academic research, selected by the library for use at LMU.
2. Priority is given to resources in which we have invested money and/or licensed.
3. For individual e-book titles to be listed, they must either be reference works or locally created.
4. Listing e-journal vendor collections in the alphabetical list is not encouraged. They will chiefly be collected in the section of the Research Databases page called Browse Database Types / Publisher Collection.

**These are the definitions of the types of resources that may be entered on the Research Databases (RD) page.**

Type of Resource	Description	Examples	Eligible for the RD page	Exceptions (reasoning)
Database/ Aggregator	Single access point for digitized content including journals, newspapers, e-books, and other e-reference content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Academic Search Complete</li> <li>▪ ProQuest Research Library</li> <li>▪ Literature Resource Center</li> </ul>	Yes	None
E-book, collection	Product-specific access point through which a collection of e-books can be accessed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ ebrary</li> <li>▪ Cambridge Histories Online</li> <li>▪ ENGnetBASE</li> </ul>	Case by case	An e-book collection is eligible for the Research Databases page if the complete collection is not found in the catalog.
E-book, single title (See #3 above)	Direct link to a single e-book; can also be searched through a host platform or e-book collection		No	None

Reference works, collection	Product-specific access point through which a collection of reference works can be accessed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Credo Reference</li> <li>▪ Oxford Reference Online</li> <li>▪ Gale Virtual Reference Library</li> </ul>	Yes	None
Reference works, single title	Direct link to an e-reference work; individual titles may also be searched through a host platform or e-book collection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Blackwell Encyclopedia of Sociology</li> <li>▪ CRC Handbook of Chemistry and Physics</li> </ul>	Case by Case	Annee Philologique (high use) Global Books in Print (high use) Serials Directory (high use) Ulrichsweb (high use)
E-journal, collection (See #4 above)	Product-specific access point through which a complete collection of e-journals can be accessed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ bepress Journals</li> <li>▪ JSTOR</li> <li>▪ Project Muse</li> </ul>	Case by Case	JSTOR (high use) Project Muse (high use) SAGE Journals Online (high use) Science Direct (high use) Emerald (high use)
E-journal, single title	Direct link to a single e-journal; can also be searched through a host platform or e-journal collection.		No	CQ Researcher (high use)
Newspaper, collection	Product-specific access point through which a collection of newspapers can be accessed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Newspaper Source</li> <li>▪ ProQuest Historical Newspapers</li> </ul>	Yes	None
Newspaper, single title	Direct link to a single newspaper; can also be searched through a host platform or newspaper collection		No	None

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Free Internet resource	Web-based database freely available on the Web	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ THOMAS</li><li>▪ Making of America</li></ul>	TBD	
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