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Databases

- **International Financial Statistics - International Monetary Fund (IMF)**

  Contains approximately 32,000 time series data on all aspects of international and domestic finance, covering more than 200 countries and areas.

- **OECD Economics Department Working Papers**

  Working papers from the Economics Department of the OECD cover the full range of the Department's work including the economic situation, policy analysis and projections; fiscal policy, public expenditure and taxation; and structural issues including ageing, growth and productivity, migration, environment, human capital, housing, trade and investment, labour markets, regulatory reform, competition, health, and other issues.

- **Penn World Tables 6.1**

  The Penn World Table provides purchasing power parity and national income accounts converted to international prices for 189 countries for some or all of the years 1950-2007. The European Union or the OECD provide more detailed purchasing power and real product estimates for their countries and the World Bank makes current price estimates for most PWT countries at the GDP level.

- **RePEc (Research Papers in Economics)**

  RePEc (Research Papers in Economics) is an initiative that seeks to enhance the dissemination of research in Economics and related areas. We want to make research more accessible both for the authors and the readers. RePEc is a crowd-sourced effort: a) thousands of people and organizations contribute the underlying data, b) a core team of contributors manage the system, and c) sponsor organizations provide the infrastructure.

- **World Bank Data Site**

- **Scientific Research: An academic publisher**

  Scientific Research Publishing (SCIRP) is one of the largest Open Access journal publishers. It is currently publishing more than 200 open access, online, peer-reviewed journals covering a wide range of academic disciplines.

- **EBSCO Open Dissertations**

  EBSCO Open Dissertations is a collaboration between EBSCO and BiblioLabs to increase traffic and discoverability of ETD research. You can join the movement and add your theses and dissertations to the database, making them freely available to researchers everywhere.

- **Bielefeld Academic Search Engine**

  Bielefeld Academic Search Engine (BASE) is a search engine that provides access to millions of documents and research. The Bielefeld University Library manages the operation of this source. BASE accepts research from many disciplines, making it an excellent resource for all professionals. Users have access to the full text of most documents for free and can download other research papers for a fee.

- **EconBiz**

  EconBiz is a virtual library for those studying economics and business. It's free to use and offers many helpful tools, besides the research journals including, a calendar of economics and business conferences, a guide to learn how to search for documents and filters so that you can search easily and quickly.

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Books & Journals

- **Open Textbook Library: Business: Management**
  The Open Textbook Library considers textbooks to be open because they are free to be used and share, and they are licensed to be freely updated or changed with proper acknowledgment.

- **E-Books Directory: Management and Leadership**
  Books, documents, and lecture notes.

- **Freebookcentre.net: Management and Leadership**
  Technical books.

- **InTechOpen: Business, Management, and Economics**
  Books in the science, technology and medicine fields.

- **Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB)**
  Directory of academic, peer-reviewed books.

- **E-books (OER)**
  Provide link to e-books, courses etc.

- **BC Campus OpenEd: Business & Management**
  Includes a wide variety of business textbooks, many peer-reviewed by BC campus faculty.

- **Business Fundamentals**
  Business Fundamentals was developed by the Global Text Project, which is working to create open-content electronic textbooks that are freely available.

- **OpenStax: Principles of Management**
  Principles of Management is designed to meet the scope and sequence requirements of the introductory course on management.

- **Principles of Management**

  Principles of Management teaches management principles to tomorrow's business leaders by weaving three threads through every chapter: strategy, entrepreneurship and active leadership.

- **Project Management**

  This book covers the basics of project management. This includes the process of initiation, planning, execution, control, and closeout that all projects share.

- **Project Management: From Simple to Complex**

- **Small Business Management in the 21st Century**

- **American Marketing Association (AMA)**

  Find a collection of marketing news articles and research insights regarding Guides & eBooks from AMA.

- **BCCampus OpenEd: Marketing**

  The BC Open Textbook Project provides textbooks including: eMarketing: The essential guide to online marketing and Principles of Marketing.

- **Developing New Products and Services**

- **eMarketing: The Essential Guide to Marketing in a Digital World (6th ed.)**

- **Growth and Competitive Strategy in 3 Circles**

- **Introducing Marketing**

- **OER Commons: Marketing**

  Open Stax provides textbooks such as Effective Article Marketing for Promotion and Profit and Marketing Plan.

- **Principles of Marketing**

- **CoreEcon**
  Open Access introductory text for undergraduates. Registration is required but is easy to do. Text is available as printable PDFs or as an Inkling app for the IPad.

- **Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB): Business & Economics**
  Directory of academic, peer-reviewed books.

- **OER Commons: Economics**
  Provides a curated collection of textbooks and resources for Economic studies.

- **OpenStax: Economics**
  Open Stax provides a collection of textbooks on Principles of Economics, Principles of Microeconomics, and Principles of Macroeconomics.

- **BCCampus OpenEd: Accounting**
  Quality open textbooks offered in a variety of digital formats.

- **Bookboon: Accounting**
  Free eBooks covering managerial and financial accounting, the accounting cycle or budgeting.

- **Directory of Open Access Books: Business & Management**

- **Financial Accounting**

- **FreeBookCentre.net: Accounting**
  Freebookcentre.net contains links to thousands of free online technical books.

- **InTechOpen: Business, Management, & Economics**
  Publisher of open access books, built by scientists for scientists.

- **Introduction to Financial Accounting**

- **Lyryx**
  Open textbooks in business, econ, math & statistics.

- **Managerial Accounting**

- **Open Textbook Library: Accounting**

  The Open Textbook Library provides a growing catalog of free, peer-reviewed, and openly-licensed textbooks.

- **Personal Finance**

- **BCCampus OpenEd: Business**

  Quality open textbooks offered in a variety of digital formats.

- **Boundless Business**

  An OER textbook from Lumen Learning covering a wide variety of introductory business topics.

- **Business Ethics**

- **Business Fundamentals**

- **Open Stax Textbooks - Business**

  High quality, peer-reviewed textbooks in Business Ethics, Business Law, Entrepreneurship, Intellectual Property, Accounting, Management and more. Openly licensed and 100% free. To access faculty-only materials, create a free OpenStax account.

- **Open Textbook Library - Business**

  Complete textbooks that have been reviewed by a variety of college and university faculty, and can be downloaded for no cost, or printed at low cost. All textbooks are either used at multiple higher education institutions; or affiliated with an institution, scholarly society, or professional organization.

- **OER Commons - Open Textbooks in Business & Communication**

  OER Commons is a large repository that includes all kinds of Open Educational Resources. Textbooks here include subjects of: Accounting, Communication, Finance, Journalism, Management, Marketing and Public Relations. Use the search limiters to narrow by education level, material type (i.e. Textbooks) and subject.

- **FreeBookCentre.net: Leadership**

  Freebookcentre.net contains links to thousands of free online technical books.

- **InTechOpen: Leadership**

  Publisher of open access books, built by scientists for scientists.

- **National Academies Press**
  Full text reports and e-books from the National Academy of Sciences, the National Academy of Engineering, the Institute of Medicine, and the National Research Council, all operating under a charter granted by the Congress of the United States.

- **Digital Commons Network**
  The Digital Commons Network brings together free, full-text scholarly articles from hundreds of universities and colleges worldwide.

- **American Institute of Mathematics Approved Textbooks**
  To advance mathematical knowledge through collaboration, to broaden participation in the mathematical endeavor, and to increase the awareness of the contributions of the mathematical sciences to society.

- **BCCampus OpenEd: Math**
  Quality open textbooks offered in a variety of digital formats.

- **Boundless Algebra**
  Interactive open course textbook from Lumen Learning.

- **Boundless Calculus**
  Interactive open course textbook from Lumen Learning.

- **Boundless Statistics**
  Interactive open course textbook from Lumen Learning.

- **FreeBookCentre.net: Mathematics**
  Freebookcentre.net contains links to thousands of free online technical books.

- **InTechOpen: Mathematics**
  Publisher of open access books, built by scientists for scientists.

- **LibreTexts: Mathematics**
  A multi-institutional collaborative venture to develop the next generation of open-access texts to improve postsecondary education at all levels of higher learning.

- **National Academies Press: Math & Statistics**

  The NAP publishes more than 200 books a year... providing authoritative, independently-researched information on important matters in science and health policy.

- **OpenStax: Math**

  Peer-reviewed, openly licensed free textbooks.

- **Open Textbook Library: Mathematics**

  The Open Textbook Library provides a growing catalog of free, peer-reviewed, and openly-licensed textbooks.

- **Project Gutenberg: Mathematics Bookshelf**

  Project Gutenberg is a library of over 60,000 free eBooks.

- **Open Text books**

- **eCampus Ontario Open Textbook Library**

  The virtual Open Textbook Library, established to offer learners a repository of resources which are licensed to be freely used, adapted, and distributed.

- **Business Math: A Step-by-Step Handbook**

- **Fundamentals of Business: Canadian Edition**

  An introductory textbook in business that covers a variety of topics.

- **Introduction to Business**

  The book provides detailed explanations in the context of core themes such as customer satisfaction, ethics, entrepreneurship, global business, and managing change.

- **Introduction to Financial Accounting, 3rd Edition**
- **Introductory Business Statistics**
- **Principles of Marketing**
- **Warehouse & Distribution Science**

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Learning & Teaching Resources

- **Open Course Ware from**

  Open course from Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

- **Saylor Academy: Business Administration**

  Courses at college and professional level. In addition to textbooks, students pay for access codes to gain access their course materials such as homework. There is now affordable alternative courseware available that work with OERs.

- **BNC OER+**

  Courseware focused on holistic courses with easy customization.

- **Lumen Learning**

  Courseware with personalized learning tools, digital homework systems, and more.

- **Odigia**

  Courseware with tools that drives engagement and collaboration.

- **Future Learn: Marketing**

  Future Learn provides two to six-week courses such as Digital Skills: Digital Marketing, and Marketing Analytics.

- **Lumen Learning: Marketing**

  Lumen Learning provides a Marketing text that covers various chapters such as Consumer Marketing and Social Responsibility and Ethics in Marketing.

- **Crash Course Series: Economics**

  This YouTube crash course series with Jacob Clifford and Adriene Hill starts out by discussing what economics is and is not.

- **Economics & Finance: edX**

  Learn the key macroeconomic and microeconomics indicators and how they drive economic policy and financial decision-making. Explore topics in risk management, pricing models, globalization and more with courses from Caltech, MIT, TsinghuaX and other top institutions worldwide.

- **Future Learn: Economics**

  Future Learn provides courses on economics such as The Politics of Economics and the Economics of Politician, Economics of Crime, Exploring Economics.

- **Lumen Learning: Economics**

  Lumen Learning provides a textbook on Economics that covers various chapters such as Economic Growth, Challenges to Efficient Outcomes, and Unemployment.

- **MIT: Principles of Microeconomics**

  Principles of Microeconomics is an introductory undergraduate course that teaches the fundamentals of microeconomics.

- **MERLOT Materials: Economics**

  MERLOT is a curated collection of free and open online teaching, learning, and faculty development services contributed and used by an international education community.

- **MIT OpenCourseWare: Economics**

  MIT's Economics department offers an extensive series of online courses. Courses generally include lecture videos, assignments, exams, and more.

- **BUS 101: Introduction to Business**

  This course is designed as a survey course that will expose you to business terminology, concepts, and current business issues. The intent is to develop a viable business vocabulary, foster critical and analytical thinking, and refine your business decision-making skills.

- **Open Yale: Economic Studies**

  The Department of Economics at Yale offers a wide spectrum of courses for both specialists and non-specialists alike. For undergraduate majors, a core of courses in macro- and microeconomics, mathematics, and econometrics is required. Advanced courses offer training in economic history, finance, theory, international and developmental economics, market organization, human resources, and the public sector.

- **Accounting for Managers**

  In Accounting for Managers, students learn the basic accounting principles needed to effectively make business decisions as a manager. The course begins with a review of basic math and accounting principles, ensuring students are prepared for the material that follows. Students will learn how to make financial decisions, including decisions around budgeting, financial statements, and cost and profit analysis.

- **MERLOT Materials: Accounting**

  The MERLOT system provides access to curated online learning and support materials and content creation tools, led by an international community of educators, learners and researchers.

- **OER Commons: Accounting**

  OER Commons is a public digital library of open educational resources.

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- **OER Commons: Business and Communications**

  OER Commons is a public digital library of open educational resources.

- **Ethics Unwrapped: Leadership**

  These teaching resources define leadership as the ability for individuals or groups to guide others ethically and effectively in order to bring about positive change. These resources offer insight into the particular biases that leaders face as well as the biases and pressures that affect group dynamics. It also includes best practices for leaders.

- **MERLOT Materials: Mathematics & Statistics**

  The MERLOT system provides access to curated online learning and support materials and content creation tools, led by an international community of educators, learners and researchers.

- **MyOpenMath**

  MyOpenMath is designed for mathematics, providing delivery of homework, quizzes, and tests with rich mathematical content.

- **The National Science Digital Library**

  The National Science Digital Library provides high quality online educational resources for teaching and learning, with current emphasis on the sciences, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) disciplines.

- **OER Commons: Mathematics**

  OER Commons is a public digital library of open educational resources.

- **PHET Interactive Simulations: Math**

  PHET Interactive Simulations are based on research on student engagement and provide game-like teaching tools that let students explore math and science concepts through discovery-based learning.

- **Virtual Math Lab**

  Online tutorials for "help in College Algebra, Intermediate Algebra, Beginning Algebra, Math for the Sciences, or preparing for the math part of the general GRE, THEA or ACCUPLACER test.

- **Communication for Managers (MIT Open Course Ware)**

  In this course, students develop and polish communication strategies and methods through discussion, examples, and practice with an emphasizes on writing and speaking skills necessary for effective leaders. The course includes several oral and written assignments which are integrated with other subjects, and with career development activities, when possible.

- **Human Resources Management (Lumen)**

  In this course, students are introduced to the field of human resources management and learn about the legal and social implications of managing employees. Students will learn strategies to plan, recruit, compensate, develop, and engage a company's workforce. The course covers additional topics including unions, employee safety, corporate social responsibility, global HRM, and small business HRM.

- **Law for the Entrepreneur and Manager (MIT Open Course Ware)**

  This course provides a basic understanding of legal issues that corporations face during their existence. The course starts by providing the basic building blocks of business law. We then follow a firm through its life cycle from its "breakaway" from an established firm through it going public.

- **Management Information Systems (Saylor)**

  Management Information Systems (MIS) is a formal discipline within business education that bridges the gap between computer science and well-known business disciplines such as finance, marketing, and management. In spite of this, most students will only take one or two MIS courses as part of their undergraduate program.

- **Principles of Management (Lumen)**

  This course teaches students how to think as managers and actively manage organizations and teams using effective practices around planning, decision making, organizational structure, culture, leadership, motivation, and communication. The course begins by addressing foundational management principles, including primary functions of managers, types of management, and types of strategy, and develops toward addressing more complex topics such as ethics, control, and global business management.

- **Principles of Management (Saylor)**

  In this course, students will learn to recognize the characteristics of proper management by identifying what successful managers do and how they do it. Understanding how managers work is just as beneficial for the subordinate employee as it is for the manager. This course is designed to teach you the fundamentals of management as they are practiced today.

- **Retail Management (Lumen)**

  The course was developed to align with the Western Association of Food Chains (WAFC) learning outcomes for their Retail Management Certificate. It is intended to be a capstone course and covers various aspects of retail management and store operations including merchandising, operations, layout, store organization, site location, and customer service.

- **AMSER (Applied Math and Science Education Repository)**

  AMSER (the Applied Math and Science Education Repository) is a portal of educational resources and services built specifically for use by those in Community and Technical Colleges but free for anyone to use.

- **Logistics and Supply Chain Management**

  This course surveys operations research models and techniques developed for a variety of problems arising in logistical planning of multi-echelon systems. There is a focus on planning models for production/inventory/distribution strategies in general multi-echelon multi-item systems.

- **How to Design a Successful Business Model (EdX - Delft University)**

  Learn how to create value for your customers and grow your business by designing a successful and sustainable business model.

- **Monopoly Gas Station Simulation**

  Monopoly Gas Station is a simulation activity by Mark Maier from the Department of Economics at Glendale Community College. from Mark: "Students predict the profit-maximizing price for gas at the one and only gas station in desert community. Then using data on demand and cost, they find the profit maximizing price and graph the result.

- **HBR IdeaCast**

  A weekly podcast from Harvard Business Review featuring the leading thinkers in business and management.

- **Mixergy**

  Mixergy brings experienced mentors to the table with wide-ranging interviews as well as laser-targeted courses where leaders teach solutions to common problems that plague business founders. More than 1,000 experts have already contributed their own startup stories.

- **The Tim Ferriss Show**

  Often regarded as the top business podcast, host Tim Ferriss interviews world-class performers across industries (investing, sports, business, art, etc.) to extract the tactics and routines listeners can use in their daily lives.

- **Wikipedia in the Classroom: Business Example**

  This article, from WikiEDU, describes Amy Carleton's Advanced Writing in the Business Administration Professions course at Northeastern University, in which students created and edited Wikipedia entries on topics such as international entrepreneur rule and corporate social responsibility.

- **FinTech: Shaping the Financial World (MIT Open Courseware)**

  MIT Open Course Ware (OCW) is a web-based publication of virtually all MIT course content. OCW is open and available to the world and is a permanent MIT activity.

Learning Apps

- **Basic Accounting (Android)**
  This app provides coverage of basic accounting information including balance sheets, formulas, and various statements.

- **Kashoo Cloud Accounting (iOS)**
  Kashoo is a simple online accounting and bookkeeping app for business owners that is a great alternative to complicated accounting suites. Create invoices in a snap, get paid securely online, and track and view your financial data on any device, anywhere, anytime, from one login.

- **Accounting Calculator (Android)**
  A calculator app that includes all of the basic functions needed to perform accounting tasks

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Digital Commons

- **Marketing Commons**

  Over 6,000 open access articles

- **Business, Administration, Management & Operations Commons**

  Over 15,000 full-text articles on business, administration, management and operations topics.

- **Accounting Commons**

  Over 15,000 full-text articles on accounting topics.

- **Business, Administration, Management & Operations Commons**

  Over 15,000 full-text articles on business, administration, management and operations topics.

- **OER Commons: Leadership**

  OER Commons is a public digital library of open educational resources.

- **Digital Commons Network: Mathematics Commons**

  The Digital Commons Network brings together free, full-text scholarly articles from hundreds of universities and colleges worldwide.

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Case studies

- **Arthur Andersen Case Studies in Business Ethics**
  Provide access to collection of 90 case studies funded by Arthur Andersen.

- **Case Centre Free Cases**
  The Case Centre's offer a growing range of free cases produced by a number of prominent schools and organizations across the globe. Requires registration/log-in

- **Case Studies - Ethics Unwrapped**
  These cases explore a range of current and historic ethical dilemmas, their motivating biases, and their consequences. Each case includes discussion questions, related videos, and a bibliography for further reading.

- **MIT Management Sloan School: Business Case Studies**
  The teaching business case studies are narratives that facilitate class discussion about a particular business or management issue.

- **World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) Resources**
  Explore resources library to see publications, tools and case studies from WBCSD.

- **Merlot**
  Business case studies from Merlot Materials. Cases contributed and used by an international education community.
- **Enduring Legacies Native Cases - Business and Management**
  Cases from The Evergreen State College, Northwest Indian College, Salish Kootenai College, Grays Harbor College, The University of Alaska-Anchorage, and the University of Alaska-Fairbanks.

Journals

- **Paperity**

  Paperity is an open-source, multidisciplinary resource that offers access to the full text of more than several million academic research papers. This means they publish research in medicine, science, arts, humanities, social sciences and mathematics and make these documents free to view for a variety of professionals and academic scholars.

- **Directory of Open Access Journals**

  Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) is a collection of journal sources that users can access for free. DOAJ is a multidisciplinary database that contains journals and other sources for fields such as technology, medicine, social sciences, arts, humanities and all areas of science.

- **EconStar**

  Open access documents in Economics.

- **Business Research**
- **Journal of Human Resource Management**
- **Journal of Innovation and Entrepreneurship**
- **Journal of Project Management**
- **Journal of Transport and Supply Chain Management**
- **Open Journal of Accounting**
- **Organizational Project Management**

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General Collection

- **MERLOT: Management**

  Searches 90,000+ records with the option to search other Open Education Resource collections (OER) and the web.

- **OASIS: Management**

  Searches 380,000+ records from 90+ reputable open education resource sites.

- **OER Commons: Management**

  Searches 50,000+ records of curated, high-quality open education resources.

- **Mason OER Metafinder**

  Searches across notable open education resource collections including MERLOT, OASIS, and OER Commons.

- **HathiTrust Digital Library**

  HathiTrust provides long-term preservation and access services to digitized content from a variety of sources, including Google, the Internet Archive, Microsoft, and in-house member institution initiatives.

- **The Internet Archive**

  Internet Archive is a non-profit library of millions of free books, movies, software, music, websites, and more.

- **Free Management Library**

  1,000's of highly practical resources for personal, professional, business and organizational development.

- **Science.gov**

  Portal and search engines for millions of pages of scientific research and information from the US federal government.

- **Economics Network**

  The Economics Network is the largest and longest-established academic organization devoted to improving the teaching and learning of economics in universities, running Europe's premiere international economics education conference.

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Images, Video, and Audio

- **Creative Commons Search**
  Images under creative commons licenses from museums and other sites (Wikimedia Commons, Flickr).
- **Google Images**
  Search for images licensed for reuse by clicking Tools under the search box then Usage Rights.
- **YouTube**
  Search for videos under Creative Commons licenses by clicking Filter then Creative Commons (under Features)
- **TED Talks: Leadership**
  TED Talks from experts on various topics.
- **Listen Notes**
  Search the whole Internet's podcasts; Podcasts are free to students but usually not under CC licenses.

- **Khan Academy: Economics & Finance**
  Videos and lessons that define Economics and introduce some of the fundamental tools and perspectives economists use to understand the world around us.

- **Khan Academy: Micro- and Macroeconomics**
  Khan Academy features instructional videos that span topics covered in Microeconomics and Macroeconomics at the introductory college level.

- **Ethics Unwrapped**
  The science of everyday ethics. Made easy, useful, and fun.

- **FreeBookCentre.net: Business and Finance**
  Freebookcentre.net contains links to thousands of free online technical books.

- **Fundamentals of Business**

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Data/Statistics

- **Google Dataset Search**
  Search across thousands of data repositories across the Web.

- **Open Economics Resources**
  Provides economic data to support the policy making in many important areas of economies and societies.

Resource links – Department of Social Sciences

Books & Journals

- **InTech Social Science Open Textbooks**
- **OER Commons: Social Science Collection Resources**
- **OpenStax: Social Sciences**
- **LibreTexts: Social Sciences**
- **Introduction to Paleoanthropology**
- **Introduction to Sociology 2e**
- **Open Textbook Library- Social Sciences**
- **Open Access Collections: Textbooks (University of South Florida)**
- **PDXOpen: Open Access Textbooks (Portland State University)**
- **AU Press (Athabasca University)**
- **BCcampus OpenEd (British Columbia)**
- **Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB)**
- **OAPEN Library**
- **Saylor Academy Open Textbooks**
- **OAJSE (Open Access Journals Search Engine)**
  Browse and search free English language journals from all over the World.
- **Scientific Research Publishing**
  Scientific Research Publishing (SCIRP) is one of the largest Open Access journal publishers. It is currently publishing more than 200 open access, online, peer-reviewed journals covering a wide range of academic disciplines.

Open Access Indonesia Journal of Social Sciences (OAIJSS)

Open Access Indonesia Journal of Social Sciences (OAIJSS) is a peer-reviewed journal. OAIJSS is intended to publish articles concerning with the results of research on social sciences miscellaneous.

- **MDPI Open access journal**

  A pioneer in scholarly, open access publishing, MDPI has supported academic communities since 1996. Based in Basel, Switzerland, MDPI has the mission to foster open scientific exchange in all forms, across all disciplines. It offers 427 different and open-access journals, including 418 journals that are peer-reviewed and 9 conference journals, and is supported by over 115,000 academics.

- **DOAJ**

  DOAJ is an exclusive and comprehensive index of various open-access journals from around the world, powered by a growing community dedicated to making great content freely available online for everybody.

- **JARSS (Journal of Advance Research in Social Sciences)**

  A broad outline of the social sciences journal's scope includes peer-reviewed original research articles, case, and technical reports, reviews and analyses papers, short communications and notes to the editor, in interdisciplinary information on the practice and status of research in social sciences.

- **ScienceDirect open access**

  Provide access to open access journals from Science Direct.

- **Project Gutenberg**

  Project Gutenberg is a library of over 70,000 free eBooks

- **Project Gutenberg - Politics Bookshelf**

  Project Gutenberg's list of Politic works in the public domain that are available freely online.

- **Ubiquity Press**

  Open access publisher of peer-reviewed academic journals, books and data.

- **OAPEN**

  Both a collection of open access publications and a publishing platform with a focus on social sciences and humanities.

- **Pressbooks OER**

  The BCcampus Open Education OER by Discipline Guide lists a wide range of open educational resources, including textbooks and courses, organized by discipline.

- **National Academies Press - Industry and Labor**

  All of the books on the National Academies Press site are available as freely downloadable PDFs.

- **Lumen Learning**

  Online open textbook on political science in the U.S.

- **BC Open Textbooks**

  The B.C. Open Textbook Project provides featured textbooks for Political Science.

Databases/Online platforms

- **BCcampus OpenEd (British Columbia)**
- **Community College Consortium for Open Educational Resources (CCCOER)**
- **Social Science Open Access Repository (SSOAR)**
  You can find steadily growing holdings of freely available, full-text social science documents.

- **Digital Library of the Caribbean (dLOC)**
  dLOC is a cooperative of Partners within the Caribbean and circum-Caribbean that provides users with access to Caribbean cultural, historical and research materials held in archives, libraries, and private collections. dLOC comprises collections that speak to the similarities and differences in histories, cultures, languages and governmental systems. Types of collections include but are not limited to: newspapers, archives of Caribbean leaders and governments, official documents, documentation and numeric data for ecosystems, scientific scholarship, historic and contemporary maps, oral and popular histories, travel accounts, literature and poetry, musical expressions, and artifacts.

- **SSRN**
  SSRN´s eLibrary provides 1,212,548 research papers from 1,225,518 researchers in more than 70 disciplines.

- **Archive of Market and Social Research (AMSR)**

  The Archive of Market and Social Research (AMSR) is a volunteer-led charity that was established to preserve the UK market and social research dating back to the 1940s and make it conveniently and freely accessible online to academic scholars and others. It is a living, growing archive of books, research journals, data abstracts, and conference papers from respected practitioners' output over many decades, and it serves as an inspiring source of insight for those interested in the dynamics of change, particularly in consumer behavior.

- **Central and Eastern European Online Library (CEEOL)**

  The Central and Eastern European Online Library is a significant repository for full-text indexed documents in the fields of Humanities and Social Science from and about Central, Eastern, and Southeastern Europe.

- **Consortium of European Social Science Data Archives (CESSDA)**
  A portal to Europe's major social science data banks. Includes links to additional non-profit organizations that archive and distribute social science data in Africa, Asia, Australia, and the Americas. Previously known as "Social Science Data Archives - North America".

- **Deep Blue**

  Deep Blue is the University of Michigan's long-term, secure, and easily available service for portraying its vibrant intellectual environment. Deep Blue's major purpose is to enable access to the work that has made Michigan a leader in research, education, and creativity. Deep Blue provides a framework for preserving and finding the best scholarly and artistic work done at the University by representing their researchers, from faculty to students, as individuals and as members of communities. Browse the collection by subject, title, author, or date.

- **Dialnet**

  Articles, conference papers, book chapters, dissertations, and other publications relating to science and technology, as well as the social sciences, humanities, education, business, and law. A collection of Spanish universities led by the Universidad de la Rioja in Logrono, Spain, produced an open-access database. Registered users receive a free article alert service.

- **eScholarship (University of California)**

  The open access repository at UC. Books, journals, working papers, conference publications, post prints, theses, and dissertations are all included.

- **Eurobarometer Surveys: Public Opinion**

  The findings of public opinion studies on social, political, and economic attitudes and issues in the European Union are presented.

- **ICPSR (Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)**

  The international Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) is a worldwide partnership of over 750 academic institutions and research groups that provides leadership and training in data access, curation, and analysis methodologies to the social science research community. ICPSR has a data library of over 250,000 files of social and behavioral science research. It is home to 21 specialized data collections in education, aging, criminal justice, substance abuse, terrorism, and other sectors.

- **National Academies Press**

  Publishes reports by the National Academy of Sciences on science and science policy. Topics include agriculture, biology, computers, energy, the environment, engineering, food, medicine and health, space, social sciences, transportation, and more.

- **Political Database of the Americas**

  The mission of the Political Database of the Americas is to contribute to the study, promotion and strengthening of democracy in the hemisphere, through the collection, systematization, dissemination, and exchange of information, data, statistics, and institutions from a political perspective, comparative studies; and other resources relevant to the 35 countries of the region.

Images, Video, and Audio

- **Open Culture**

  provide links to audio books, online courses, movies, language lessons, eBooks, and intelligent YouTube channels.

- **Creative Commons**

  The Creative Commons project is a nonprofit organization offering flexible copyright for creative work. On their website you will find links to music, images, video, text, and more. One of their goals is to encourage creativity through sharing and collaboration.

- **WorldImages**

  WorldImages provides access to the California State University IMAGE Project. It contains over 60,000 images, is global in coverage and includes all areas of visual imagery. WorldImages is accessible anywhere and its images may be freely used for non-profit educational purposes. The images can be located using many search techniques, and for convenience they are organized into some 600 portfolios which are then organized into subject groupings.

- **Khan Academy**

  Freely accessible videos on a variety of topics in the area of Political Science.

- **TED ED: Lessons Worth Sharing**

  Create and share lessons around any TED-Ed Original, TED Talk or YouTube Video.

- **University Video**

  This Digital Library portal contains the metadata of the YouTube Channels of the world's Top Universities.

- **Memrise - Politics**

  Uses images and audio to help memorize vocabulary. Interactive site that saves individual progress.

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Learning & Teaching Resources

- **Coursera**

  Every course on Coursera is taught by top instructors from the world's best universities and educational institutions. Courses include recorded video lectures, auto-graded and peer-reviewed assignments, and community discussion forums.

- **Future Learn - Politics & International Relations**

  Dig deeper into the issues making the news - from new technology and social media to the energy crisis, inequality and the threat of new conflicts - with our online political science and international relations courses.

- **MIT Open CourseWare - Poltical Science**

  MIT offers over 100 open courses covering political science topics. Includes re-usable lecture videos, problem sets and exams. Especially excellent in international relations and comparative politics with an orientation toward issues of public policy both domestic and international.

- **Open Learn - Society, Politics & Law**

  Open Learn provides nine courses on topics such as "Politics, media and war: 9/11 and its aftermaths", "The USA, power and international order: Foreign policy under Obama", and "Rights and justice in international relations."

- **Saylor Academy**

  Collection of PDF versions of textbooks on various topics. HTML versions are also available.

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- **OER Canvas Course**

  Resources for finding open and sustainable teaching and learning materials.

General

- **HathiTrust**

  HathiTrust is a partnership of academic & research institutions, offering a collection of millions of titles digitized from libraries around the world.

- **Internet Archive: Digital Library**

  Internet Archive is a non-profit library of millions of free books, movies, software, music, websites, and more.

- **Wikibooks**

  Hosted by the Wikimedia foundation, Wikibooks is an open content textbook collection spanning a variety of reading levels and disciplines.

- **MERLOT**

  MERLOT is a curated collection of free and open online teaching, learning, and faculty development services contributed and used by an international education community.

- **Pressbooks OER**

  The BCcampus Open Education OER by Discipline Guide lists a wide range of open educational resources, including textbooks and courses, organized by discipline.

- **The British Library Public Domain Flickr Collection**

  Contains over 1 million images and photographs in the public domain.

- **Library of Congress Public Domain Flickr Collection**

  Contains over 22,000 photographs with no copyright restrictions.

- **LibreStock**

  A search engine for Creative Commons photos.

- **New York Public Library Open Digital Collections**

  NYPL Digital Gallery provides free and open access to over 800,000 images digitized from the The New York Public Library's vast collections, including illuminated manuscripts, historical maps, vintage posters, rare prints, photographs and more.

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Maps

- **National Geologic Map Database**

  90000 map products, stratigraphy, topographic map collections.
- **World Digital Library**

  16,841 items about 193 countries between 8000 BCE and 2000, plus interactive maps.
- **UNESCO - Interactive Map**

  The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization provides resources related to geographic curriculum in different areas.

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Resource links – Department of Languages

Journals & Books

- **About Writing: A Guide**

  Condenses and covers everything a beginning writing student needs to successfully compose college-level work, including the basics of composition, grammar, and research. Great for any beginning writing students or as reference for advanced students.

- **Business Writing - Lumen Learning**

  Allows students to develop effective written communication strategies specifically for the workplace. From idea gathering to drafting to delivery, this course will prepare students to write a variety of documents, including memos, letters, and reports, tailored to professional audiences.

- **College Success - Lumen Learning**

  Provides resources for first-year college students on the path to academic and life success. Time management, effective methods of communication, career exploration, and practical tools for academic achievement are a few of the topic areas covered.

- **Thematic Reading Anthology - Lumen Learning**

  Contains an anthology of readings for Composition I course.

- **Developmental Writing - Lumen Learning**

  Introduces students to the writing process as a means of developing ideas into clear, correct, and effective writing.

- **EmpoWord**

  A reader and rhetoric that champions the possibilities of student writing. The textbook uses actual student writing to exemplify effective writing strategies, celebrating dedicated college writing students to encourage and instruct their successors: the students in your class.

- **English Composition I - Lumen Learning**

  Composition I focus on principles of writing, critical reading and essay composition using rhetorical styles common in college-level writing (narrative, example/illustration, compare/contrast, cause-and-effect, argument).

- **English Composition II - Lumen Learning**

  Teaches research skills by emphasizing the development of advanced analytical/critical reading skills, proficiency in investigative research, and the writing of persuasive prose including documented and researched argumentative essays.

- **Frameworks for Academic Writing**

  Presents a different way of teaching writing to students. The method is "writing with the teacher present" or simply students doing ALL their writing in class. This way of teaching writing is more like athletic practice than class. Students practice writing while the coach (professor or instructor) was around to break steps down into smaller and smaller elements and to help them learn the skills "in real time."

- **Rhetoric and Composition: A Guide for the College Writer**

  Designed for use as a textbook in first-year college composition programs, written as a practical guide for students struggling to bring their writing up to the level expected of them by their professors and instructors.

- **Technical Writing - Lumen Learning**

  Focuses on the organization, development, and refinement of technical communications. Internal and external communications, including letters, memos, reports, and presentations are included.

- **Writing Commons**

  Free, comprehensive, peer-reviewed, award-winning Open Text for students and faculty in college-level courses that require writing and research.

- **College ESL Writers: Applied Grammar and Composing Strategies for Success**

  College ESL Writers: Applied Grammar and Composing Strategies for Success is designed as a comprehensive grammar and writing e-text for high intermediate and advanced level non-native speakers of English.

- **Communication Beginnings: An Introductory Listening and Speaking Text for English Language Learners from Open Textbook Library**

  From the source: This textbook is designed for beginning-intermediate English language learners.

- **Intro to Academic Writing, textbook and lectures for ESOL from OER Commons**

  From the source: "The materials here were selected for ESOL learners who have intermediate-high intermediate writing skills and are starting more "academic" levels of course work in order to transition into college-level composition courses."

- **Low Intermediate ESL Writing**

  OER textbook used at Washtenaw Community College.

- **Writing for Success from Saylor Academy Open Textbooks**
  An open access writing textbook adapted by Saylor Academy, 2012.

- **ELT Journal**

  ELT Journal is a quarterly publication for all those involved in English Language Teaching (ELT)

- **Journals4free**

- **English Language and Literature Studies**

- **World Journal of English Language**

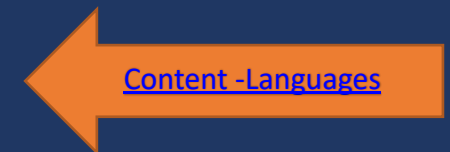- **Free open-access journals on English language teaching**

- **OAJSE: Open Access Journals Search Engine**
  Browse and search free English language journals from all over the World.

- **International Journal of English Language Studies (IJELS)**

- **Asian Journal of English Language Teaching**

- **Global Journal of English Language Teaching (GJET)**

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- **Saylor ESOL Courses**

  ESL001: Beginning Lower-Intermediate English as a Second Language; ESL002: Intermediate English as a Second Language; ESL003: Upper-Intermediate English as a Second Language

- **Open Resources for English Language Teaching (ORELT) Portal**

  The Open Resources for English Language Teaching (ORELT) portal supports classroom activities of teachers of junior secondary schools (JSS).

- **Online Writing Lab - Purdue**

  The online writing lab offers global support through online reference materials and services for creating citations, cover letters, major-specific writing help, and general writing advice.

- **TV411 - Tune in to Learning**

  TV411's mission is to help adults gain the basic reading, writing, math, and science skills they need to achieve their educational, career, and personal goals.

- **African American Literature (Lehman College)**

  "African American Literature is a survey course that will take us from the early days of enslavement to the present. We will read, analyze, and discuss literary texts written by African Americans, paying particular attention to the political, historical and social context that informs these texts."

- **English Courses from Open Yale**

  Open course include Introduction to Theory of Literature, Milton, Modern Poetry, and The American Novel since 1945.

- **Hemingway, Fitzgerald, Faulkner (Open Yale)**

  "This course examines major works by Hemingway, Fitzgerald, and Faulkner, exploring their interconnections on three analytic scales: the macro history of the United States and the world; the formal and stylistic innovations of modernism; and the small details of sensory input and psychic life."

- **Introduction to Literature Course (Lumen Learning)**

  Open course from Lumen Learning. Be sure to click the words "Licenses and Attributions" at the bottom of each page for copyright and licensing information specific to the material on that page.

- **Mythology Course Readings (Northwestern Michigan College)**

  By Sarah Wangler and Joelle Hannert and Northwestern Michigan College

- **Free Online English Language Courses**
- **Learn English Courses: Future Learn**

- **Learn English online for free with Busuu**

- **Learning English: Coursera**

- **Spoken English course**

- **Free English Language Courses and Tutorials: Udemy**

- **Learn English with online courses and programs**
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- **Writability Podcast (College of the Sequoias)**
  Most episodes are English and/or writing-focused but include a lot of cross-discipline conversations as well."

- **Write a Manifesto [Composition]**
  Assignment designed by Caron Knauer of La Guardia Community College.

- **Writing for the Humanities Syllabus (City College)**
  By Julia Brown of City College

- **World English Institute - Improve your English Free**
  The World English Institute lessons will help you improve your English skills.

Digital Commons

- **Americanenglish.state.gov from OER Commons**

  From the source: "A government sponsored website, American English is a resource center for teaching and learning about American English language and culture. This website provides a variety of engaging materials and resources for teachers' professional development and for students in the classroom. Both teachers and students will find new ways to practice English and learn more about the United States."

- **Digital Commons at St. Mary's University**

  Digital Commons at St. Mary's University is an online repository showcasing scholarly research, journal publications, creative works, and expertise. These virtual university archives and special collections highlight the academic products created by St. Mary's students, faculty, and staff.

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General

- **LibriVox**
  Librivox is a non-commercial, non-profit and ad-free project that provides access to e-books, images, videos etc.
- **GEMMA**
  Opening the doors to the literacy

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Databases/ Online platforms

- **CORE: Open Access for the Humanities**

  CORE is a repository of open access monographs, articles, projects, course materials, and grey literature related to the Humanities.
- **Fairy Talez**

  Freely accessible and large collection of fairy tales, folk tales, and fables online.
- **Internet Archive**

  "A non-profit library of millions of free books, movies, software, music, websites, and more."
- **Library of Congress – Archive of Recorded Poetry and Literature**

  The Archive "contains nearly two thousand recordings—of poets and prose writers participating in literary events at the Library's Capitol Hill campus as well as sessions at the Library's Recording Laboratory.
- **Open Folklore**

  "A partnership of the American Folklore Society and the Indiana University Libraries, Open Folklore is a scholarly resource devoted to increasing the number and variety of open access resources, published and unpublished, that are available for the field of folklore studies and the communities with whom folklore scholars' partner."
- **Perseus Digital Library**
- **Project Gutenberg**

  Collection of over 57,000 public domain ebooks that can be downloaded for free or read online.
- **OER Commons**

  OER Commons is a public digital library of open educational resources. Explore, create, and collaborate with educators around the world to improve curriculum.

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Images/Video/Audio

- **LibriVox Audiobooks**
  A volunteer-run digital library of audio recordings of books in the public domain.
- **Lit2Go**
  "Lit2Go is a free online collection of stories and poems in Mp3 (audiobook) format. An abstract, citation, playing time, and word count are given for each of the passages." Some passages include supplemental reading strategies.
- **British Council Learn English Audio & Video**
- **Better English.com**

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