New Subscriptions by URI Libraries in FY2011

The URI Libraries initiated subscriptions to a number of e-journal packages in 2011. These packages provide access to current issues of journals.

**BioOne.1 and BioOne.2**

BioOne is a not-for-profit collaborative created to address inequities in Scientific-Technical-Medical (STM) publishing. It brings together scientific societies, publishers, and libraries to provide access to critical, peer-reviewed research in the biological, ecological, and environmental sciences.

We negotiated an agreement with BioOne that began in July 2010 for URI to subscribe to both BioOne collections of online life sciences journals at pricing normally reserved for institutions whose highest degree is a master’s, a discount of 37.5%. We received an additional 10% discount for using HELIN as our purchasing agent, making our total discount 43.7%. For $14,473, we receive online access to 166 journals from 125 publishers, an average price of $87 per title. This is in contrast to the average cost per title that we paid for BioOne titles subscribed individually, which was $226. In order to take advantage of this deal, we had to increase net spending by $7,918, or 121%. However, the number of titles accessible to our students and researchers increased by 472%, and we were able to support an important initiative in the reform of scholarly communication.

**PsycARTICLES**

In July 2010 we began participation in a deal negotiated by NERL for access to PsycARTICLES, which provides full-text access to all 58 journals published by the American Psychological Association plus 19 titles from other publishers. Changing our subscription to the NERL deal saved us $3,950, or 22%.

**American Geophysical Union (AGU) Full Online Publication Package**

In January 2011, we began a subscription to an online package of all AGU journals for $26,296. This price was only $2,820 more than what we would pay for the 13 titles to which we subscribed in 2010. For a price increase of 11%, we received access to 38% more titles. Many of these titles are essential to research done by the Graduate School of Oceanography, as well as by other units at the University.

For a one-time fee, we also purchased perpetual access to the AGU Digital Library, which covers all AGU journal content published during the period 1894 through 1995 and contains over 63,000 articles.
Because these subscriptions are packages rather than individual titles, we are able to use HELIN as our fiscal agent, saving EBSCO's 6.5% service charge. This savings amounted to $1,709, essentially rendering the cost of the package negligible.

**Annual Reviews Sciences Collection**
In January 2011, we converted our custom package of 19 Annual Reviews titles to the full package of 37 titles. This provided us with a 14.5% discount and four years rolling backfile access for all titles. This change resulted in paying $210 per title in 2011, compared to $250 per title in 2010. Annual Reviews are some of the most highly-cited journals published.

**Annual Reviews Economics Collection**
A new package for 2011, we pay $1,384 for three new annual reviews titles in economics.

**Geological Society of America GSA All Package**
In January 2011, we began a subscription to an online package of all GSA titles for $1,837. Essentially, we obtained two extra titles, *Geosphere* and *Lithosphere*, for an extra $207, a 64% discount off the cost of these titles individually. These titles are heavily used.

**JSTOR Current Scholarship Program (CSP)**
In January 2011, we became full participants in JSTOR's CSP. The CSP is being launched with the intent of developing a long-term, sustainable model for scholarly communication. Through the CSP, JSTOR will serve as the exclusive publishing platform for 174 journals from 19 not-for-profit publishers, primarily university presses and academic societies. CSP publishers include the University of Chicago Press, Indiana University Press, Pennsylvania State University Press, the University of California Press, the University of Illinois Press, and the University of Nebraska Press. The University Libraries decided to subscribe to the complete CSP collection in order to support this important initiative.

Instead of paying $8,412 for individual subscriptions to the 28 titles we held in 2010 hold (an average cost of $300 per title), in 2011 we paid $28,480 for access to all JSTOR CSP titles (an average cost of $163 per title). In other words, we paid 239% more for access to 521% more titles while supporting non-profit publishing by university presses. Incidentally, purchasing the CSP allowed us to regain access to 31 titles we canceled during the serials cuts of 2008 and 2009.

**RSC Gold**
Beginning in January 2011, through a deal negotiated by WALDO, we began a subscription to RSC Gold. This is an online package of all journals, databases, and magazines published by the non-profit Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC), the largest organization in Europe for advancing the chemical sciences. For $32,340, we receive
online access to 35 journals, an average cost of $924 per title. By comparison, in 2010 we subscribed without the benefit of a consortium deal to RSC Package B which includes six journals. Our price to continue this subscription in 2011 would have been $22,849, an average price of $3,808 per title. The WALDO deal also includes leased access to the RSC Journals Archive covering the years 1841-2004. In order to take advantage of the WALDO deal, we had to increase our net spending by $7,824, or 32%. However, by doing so, the number of RSC titles accessible to our students and researchers increased by 400%.

**JAMA & Archives Package**
In May 2001, we subscribed to a new package of all journals published by the American Medical Association. This package gives us access to online versions of 11 essential medical journals for $3,000 more than we previously paid for four of these titles in print-only format. In addition, because this subscription is a package rather than individual titles, we were able to use HELIN as our fiscal agent, saving EBSCO’s 6.5% service charge. This savings amounted to $201.50 based on our previous print subscriptions and $396.50 based on the price of the online package.

The URI Libraries purchased a number of journal and database back files in 2011. These products provide us with perpetual online access, in an “ownership model,” to older journals issues and database files as well as unique archival, primary-source material.

**African American Newspapers, 1827-1998 [Readex]**
Approximately 270 U.S. newspapers chronicling a century and a half of the African American experience. This unique collection features papers from more than 35 states—including many rare and historically significant 19th century titles.

**American Antiquarian Society (AAS) Historical Periodicals Collection Series 1-5, 1691-1877 [EBSCOhost]**
Digital access to the most comprehensive collection of American periodicals published between 1691 and 1877.

**Biosis Previews Archive 1926-1984 [Web of Science]**
Access to the online equivalent of Biological Abstracts, the premier indexing and abstracting service in the life sciences, from 1926-1984. URI now has complete online access to this essential life sciences database, 1926-present.

**JAMA & Archives Journals Back File**
Access from 1883 through 1997 to all journals published by the American Medical Association. Includes all former title variations of: JAMA: Journal of the American Medical Association; Archives of Dermatology; Archives of Facial Plastic Surgery; Archives of General Psychiatry; Archives of Internal Medicine; Archives of Neurology; Archives of Ophthalmology; Archives of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery; Archives of Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine; Archives of Surgery; Disaster Medicine and Public Health
Preparedness.

**JSTOR Arts & Sciences IX**
With a minimum of 150 titles available by the end of 2012, the Arts & Sciences IX Collection widens JSTOR’s coverage in business and the social sciences. See http://about.jstor.org/content-collections/journals/arts-sciences-ix.

**Nation Digital Archive**
Fully searchable electronic version of the magazine’s complete backfile, offering a 145-year archive of reporting opinion and criticism. The archive contains thousands of historic articles, editorials, letters, reviews, poems, and puzzles dating back to Volume I, Number 1, from July 6, 1865. Covers to present, with one-month embargo.

**National Review Digital Archive**
Complete indexing, abstracting, and full text coverage for all issues of the National Review back to the first issue in 1955 (v.1, no.1) through the present.

**New Republic Digital Archive**
Complete indexing, abstracting, and full text coverage for all issues of The New Republic back to the first issue in 1914 (v.1, no.1) through the present.

**Oxford History of Western Music**
The Oxford History of Western Music online (2010) is the online version of the 2009 five-volume print edition. The online version includes all 1.25 million words, 500 images, and 1,800 musical examples from the updated paperback edition with sophisticated search and browse functionality designed to maximize the dynamic possibilities of online reading and research.

**Sage Backfile Upgrade Package 2011**

The URI Libraries also initiated subscriptions to a handful of new online reference databases in 2011. These additions were funded through the cancellation of print reference sources that no longer receive much use.

**Criminal Justice Abstracts [EBSCOhost]**
Indexing and abstracts of international journals, books, reports, dissertations and unpublished papers on criminology and related disciplines. Contains summaries of international journal articles, books, and governmental and non-governmental reports on a wide range of topics in criminal justice. 1968-. Updated quarterly.

**GenderWatch [ProQuest]**
Full-text collection of journals, magazines, newsletters, regional publications, books, booklets and pamphlets, conference proceedings, and governmental, NGO, and special reports devoted to women’s and gender issues. Contains materials dating back to the 1970’s.

**Iter Gateway to the Middle Ages and Renaissance**
Bibliography of literature pertaining to the Middle Ages and Renaissance (400-1700). Citations for books and journal material (articles, reviews, review articles, bibliographies, catalogues, abstracts, and discographies) are included, as well citation for dissertation abstracts and essays in books (including entries in conference proceedings, festschriften, encyclopedias, and exhibition catalogs).

**Oxford Art Online [1 user]**

**Safari Tech Books Online [ProQuest]**
Digital library providing online access to the latest editions of 100 technology and digital media books.

In 2011, the URI Libraries began subscriptions to a few single journal titles (i.e. titles not in packages).

**Renaissance and Reformation** (new subscription)

**Early Theatre** (new subscription)

**Limnology & Oceanography: Fluids & Environment** (new subscription)

**Journal of Midwifery & Women’s Health** (reinstated; no longer available in ScienceDirect package)

**Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery** (reinstated; no longer available in ScienceDirect package)