Checking Under the Hood

Why open source might be right for your library

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Copter Crashes Suggest Change in Iraqi Tactics

American officials say a streak of crashes strongly suggests that insurgents are putting more effort into shooting down aircraft.
“It's like buying a car with a hood that you can open, as opposed to the traditional model in the software industry where the hood is locked shut.”

Bob Young, Former Redhat CEO
“Free software is a matter of liberty, not price. To understand the concept, you should think of ‘free’ as in ‘free speech,’ not as in ‘free beer’.”

Richard M. Stallman
4 freedoms

Richard M. Stallman
Open source

Eric S. Raymond
“Open source is a development methodology; free software is a social movement.”

Unknown FSF Advocate
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Writing with OpenOffice.org!
Newsletter Title

Company's Weekly Newsletter  3.5.2004 Issue 1

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OpenOffice

Vancouver Public Library is providing free access to OpenOffice software. Certain computers will have a user time limit of one hour per day and require you to have a Vancouver Public Library card.

General Tips on OpenOffice

OpenOffice workstations use open source software. The installed software offers many of the features of Office Suites, but is not set up for personalization. Settings are standardized, and cannot be changed by the users. All files will be wiped out when your session ends.

Library staff will provide help with general features and navigation of the software, but are not able to coach users in document creation and editing. Users are advised to bring their own floppy disk, USB device or CD for file transfer and storage.

Supported Features (Things you can do)

- Create simple word processed documents
- Create simple spreadsheets
- Create presentations
- Save documents and spreadsheets to floppy disk, USB device or CD
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Electronic Resource Management

Federated Searching

Link Resolving

Integrated Library System
2. Library collaboration
3. Staff development
Nature in the City
7:30pm, Tuesdays January 20 - February 24
Central Library

What's cooking?
A perfect storm of events has led me to explore the library collection of Chinese cooking books. We had our kitchen renovated, and the lovely new space has me excited about cooking. A new stove with a wok holder is a bonus! In addition, my 28 year old son has also been exploring Chinese cooking. He's got the Chinese Kitchen...
Welcome to Moodle at York U

Moodle is a learning management system developed from a social constructionist perspective. It provides a range of functionality to allow for content creation and delivery, communication, collaboration and assessment. It allows instructors to easily set up effective online learning communities where students can download course resources and interact with learning activities.

Which Moodle server is your course on?

- **2008 - 2009**
  - Academic 2008-2009 courses
- **Moodle Archive Server: 2007-2008 courses**

Need Help?

- **Students**
- **Instructors**

Outages

Please direct questions to CNS Client Services
(phone: 416-736-5800, email: helpdesk@yorku.ca)
4. Choice
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BAA, PLC SWOT Analysis
Business Source Premier - EBSCO: fulltext 2008-01-01 -

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Search databases to find journal articles and/or images, music, reports, data, and more

Browse databases by subject area:
Geography

Browse databases by title:
A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z 0-9 All

Not sure where to look? Search multiple databases at once with dbWiz:
*interdisciplinary databases*

Keyword search for articles on the web:

[Google Scholar Beta]
This is a selected list of periodical indexes for all topics in Geography. For more specific recommendations for particular Geography courses, see the Help with course assignments section of the Geography resources page or contact Heather De Forest, Geography Liaison Librarian.

**Top Resources**

**GEOBASE**
The first place to look for all Geography topics.

**Online Geographical Bibliography**
Additions to the research catalogue of the American Geographical Society Collection of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

**Geodok**
Index to English, French and German articles on geography.
SFU LIBRARY DATABASES

GEOBASE

Online access: Connect

Full description: GEOBASE provides comprehensive bibliographic references to important journals in the fields of physical and human geography, geology, mineralogy, ecology and development studies. It is the only database in these fields to include abstracts. International in scope, it includes unique records published in Elsevier's Geographical Abstracts (both Physical and Human), Geological Abstracts, Ecological Abstracts, International Development Abstracts, and Oceanographic Literature Review. This interdisciplinary coverage makes it an ideal tool for researching environmental issues.

Materials indexed: Journals, books, monographs, reports, and theses

Coverage: 1980-01-01 to current

Resource type: Index

Titles indexed: List of periodicals indexed in Geobase

Update frequency: Twice a month

Print equivalents: Geographical Abstracts (1960-2001; G1 G458; Bennett Reference Indexes)
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   Presidency (Washington, D.C. : Online)
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   **Located:** World Wide Web
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2. Presidents & the Presidency essays
   Presidents and the Presidency
   by Hess, Stephen
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3. Guide to the presidency
   Congressional Quarterly's guide to the presidency
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York Digital Journals

York University Libraries are working with the academic community to bring journals to the web. Using Open Journal Systems (OJS) software, the Libraries are helping journal creators publish their journals online quickly and easily. We would be happy to help you do the same.

More Information...

CAML Review

Canadian Jewish Studies / Études juives canadiennes

Canadian Woman Studies

CORE Newsletter
Welcome to Open Journal Systems. This site is currently under development.

Applied Multivariate Research

Applied Multivariate Research is a peer-reviewed journal publishing methodological and content papers that deal with the application of both classical and more modern multivariate statistical techniques, as well as measurement issues, in applied settings.

Journal of Teaching and Learning

The Journal of Teaching and Learning is published twice yearly by the Faculty of Education at the University of Windsor, featuring peer-reviewed scholarly and practice-based articles, critical book reviews, and research reports in a wide range of areas related to teaching and learning. These include issues related to curriculum development, language and education, teacher education, school governance, the education of special groups, gender and education, minority education, education and information technology, educational leadership, theories of education, literacy, educational research and methodologies. Special emphasis is on innovative practices in teaching and learning.

Studies in Social Justice
Open Journal Systems

This is the home for eJournals hosted by the University of Guelph Library.

Critical Studies in Improvisation / Études critiques en improvisation

Critical Studies in Improvisation / Études critiques en improvisation is an open-access, peer-reviewed, electronic, academic journal on improvisation, community, and social practice housed at the University of Guelph.

Partnership: the Canadian Journal of Library and Information Practice and Research

This e-journal will publish the research on best practices of Partnership members in public, school, college, university and special libraries. A national advisory board and a jury to vet the content of the new publication are made up of members from The Partnership associations and others. A writing team will support librarians who have little experience with research reporting. Fully approved by Partnership boards, the first issue will appear late 2006.
University of Alberta Libraries OCS Service

Open Conference Systems

Home > Open Conference Systems

The University of Alberta Libraries' online conference management service uses the PKP Open Conference Systems (OCS) software. If you are member of the University of Alberta community and you are interested in using the free OCS system and our free web hosting service, please contact your liaison librarian. General inquiries may be sent to:

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Digital Repository Services Librarian
University of Alberta Libraries
780.492.3851 / leah.vanderjagt@ualberta.ca

Examples of conferences using OCS are available here.

OCS is a Web publishing tool that will create a complete Web presence for your scholarly conference. It will allow you to:

- create a conference Web site
- compose and send a call for papers
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- allow paper submitters to edit their work
- post conference proceedings and papers in a searchable format
- register participants
Open Conference Systems

Cities, Nature, Justice

Cities Nature Justice: dialogues for social sustainability in public spaces
: a 3-day international symposium addressing the social science and science of sustainability.

Can social sustainability be achieved in cities at the same time as environmental sustainability?

Cities Nature Justice will bring together researchers, environmental activists, Indigenous advocates and communicators from India, China, South East Asia, Australia and the United States to discuss this question. They will be exploring new approaches to understanding city environmental issues by bringing both social science and science to bear on key questions of public space, water and social justice.

Key speakers:
* Setha Low (USA & Costa Rica: urban parks and cultural justice; author: The Politics of Public Space),
* Dai Qing (China: water environmental advocate: Three Gorges Dam & Beijing),
* John Maynard (Australia: Indigenous historian; author: For Liberty & Freedom),
* Amita Baviskar (India: Narmada River & Delhi: environmental politics: author: Waterscapes),
* Kartik Shanker (India: Marine biologist, editor Conservation and Society)

VIEW CONFERENCE
6. Community development
Capacity building
Welcome to Sitka

On Wednesday, April 18th, 2007, in the spirit of the PLSB Strategic Plan, the Association of BC Public Library Directors (ABCPLD) endorsed a proposal to:

1. Pilot the Evergreen open ILS software in BC, and
2. Strike an ILS Advisory Committee to manage a consortial installation of the Evergreen ILS in BC

This ambitious initiative is truly a collaborative effort - libraries can do so much more collectively than any one library can do individually!

Here are some links and a listserv that should help facilitate discussion around Evergreen within BC. As well, a set of Evergreen Talking Points has been compiled to help inform library boards and staff about the initiative.

Do you have questions about the Evergreen Open ILS or about SITKA? Please contact Ben Hyman, Manager of Policy and Technology, Public Library Services Branch.
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http://listserv.uic.edu/archives/drupal4lib.html

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Equinox Software
http://www.esilibrary.com/

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Kwantlen Journals A-Z
http://cufts2.lib.sfu.ca/CJDB/BSKC/browse

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http://pkp.sfu.ca/lib_pub

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PHP
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Project Conifer
http://conifer.mcmaster.ca/

Public Knowledge Project
http://pkp.sfu.ca/

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