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Student and Faculty Access to PASCAL Electronic Resources

Databases

PASCAL provides access to the following databases for all member libraries. In general, patrons access PASCAL Electronic Resources through their home institution's library website. Additionally, the links below work whether you use them from on campus or if your institution uses a proxy server.

[Academic Search Premier](#)

[Literature Resource Center](#)

[Institute of Physics Archives](#)

[3D Human Anatomy & Physiology \(formerly Anatomy & Physiology Online\)](#)

eBooks

PASCAL provides over 250,000 eBooks to students, faculty and staff at member institutions. Patrons may access PASCAL eBooks through their home institution's library website or through the PASCAL Delivers catalog: encore.pascalcat.org. For on-campus access from any PASCAL member institution, simply click on the 'Connect to PASCAL eBook' button.

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- Click on the 'Connect to PASCAL eBook' button in the catalog
- Choose your home institution from a drop-down list
- Enter your name and a unique ID (usually your student ID number or library barcode number)

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PASCAL eBook provider platforms include:

[ebrary \(ProQuest\)](#) - This growing subscription package includes over 160,000 scholarly titles across academic disciplines.

[EBSCO Academic Collection](#) - This growing subscription collection contains over 141,000 multidisciplinary titles representing a broad range of academic subjects.

[EBL \(ProQuest\)](#) - EBL is a Demand Driven Acquisition (DDA) plan with over 7,200 titles currently available.

[Oxford UPSO Psychology](#) - The UPSO Psychology collection provides perpetual access to 335 titles.

Opt-in Electronic Resources

In addition to our core electronic databases, PASCAL offers its members opt-in deals on electronic resources from over a dozen vendors in the academic marketplace. All of the opt-in database deals provide the advantage of consortial pricing negotiated by PASCAL. Most of the opt-in deals also come with a central payment feature wherein the vendor invoices PASCAL, and PASCAL in turn invoices its members for each opt-in deal that they participate in during the year. A few of our opt-in deals are not set up with central payment although that is certainly the preferred method. For those non-central payment opt-in deals, the participating libraries still enjoy consortial pricing discounts, but the invoicing is from the vendor directly to the individual library.

For Library Staff

Further information for library staff about Electronic Resources is available on our Electronic Resources members page.

If you are a vendor interested in presenting an academic electronic resource that does not suit a broad spectrum undergraduate curriculum for statewide patrons, please see our For Vendors section on this website.

If you are a PASCAL member library with an idea for an opt-in deal that you and other PASCAL members may be interested in, contact us.

PASCAL and DISCUS Working Together

PASCAL provides access to core electronic resources for its members in three ways. We collaborate with DISCUS South Carolina's Virtual Library, fill in some gaps that DISCUS does not satisfy for higher education, and supplement these two offerings to complete our core electronic resources for academic libraries in South Carolina.

PASCAL collaborates with the DISCUS Program at the South Carolina State Library to expand electronic library content for all South Carolina citizens. All DISCUS electronic resources and other offerings are available to every academic library in South Carolina. The only two exceptions of concern to PASCAL members are Academic Search Premier (EBSCO) and Literature Resource Center (GALE). The full list of DISCUS electronic resources is here.

PASCAL annual membership fees and institutional assessments include the following core electronic resources for our member libraries. These core electronic resources address the gaps in statewide access that the joint procurement with DISCUS does not fill for higher education.

Academic Search Premier (EBSCO)

Literature Resource Center (GALE)

Institute of Physics Archives (IOP)

and Pick 2 from a 17-database buffet list (EBSCO), includes CINAHL Full-Text

Additionally, 36 PASCAL members chose to participate in one or more of the following supplemental EBSCO offerings.

MLA Bibliography

Wilson 16-database package

EBSCO remaining 17-database buffet list after Pick 2 core selections that all PASCAL members made

Year two of this program allowed PASCAL to add two more supplemental EBSCO offerings, an upgrade to CINAHL Complete, and an upgrade to MEDLINE Complete. Beginning in FY13-14, 25 PASCAL members chose to participate in these upgrades.

In combination, the PASCAL/DISCUS joint procurement and PASCAL's supplemental agreement represent a significant increase in content available to PASCAL patrons at a greatly reduced cost for our core electronic resources package. These core electronic resources provide access to key components of the PASCAL core package that were not included as DISCUS offerings.

The historic PASCAL/DISCUS joint procurement which began in FY12-13 provides South Carolinians access to a robust set of electronic library resources and saves money spent by academic libraries on content. This initial consolidation of resources in 2012 took place within the context of large losses absorbed by all libraries since 2009, in particular the more deeply felt cuts for those libraries supporting higher education. The content for this agreement was based on material best-suited for broad spectrum collaboration. Beyond this first step in wider collaboration, PASCAL aims to encourage collaboration where it is sensible with a mutual respect for the imperative to pursue independent needs when it is appropriate.

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