



How to Create a Stable Link to Library Resources

While you can always contact library@usa.edu to have a library team member give you a stable link to a specific library resource, we know that some people will want to do this on their own. Please use the following information as your guide in creating a stable link to a library online resource (article, eBook, etc.) to post in a Blackboard course or share with students or faculty members.

General Information

- All links to library resources must start with the following prefix: <https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=>
This is what prompts the user to login before accessing the resource. It is called a “proxy”
- A link that does not start with that prefix may not work long-term
- Do not simply copy the link that shows up in the browser address bar
- Creating the link looks slightly different depending on which platform hosts the specific resource
- This guide assumes that you have already found the specific resource within the library resources and the resource is available through one of our various subscriptions
- Always test a link in a different browser or on a different computer before putting it in your course
- When in doubt, ask us for help! library@usa.edu

eBooks

The best way to link to library eBooks is to find the link that has already been created for that book in our [Library Catalog](#). Search for the book in the Library Catalog and under holdings, find the “Click here” message. Do a right click over “here” and click “Copy Link Address”. That is the best link to use when connecting users to eBooks.

If you want to link a user directly to a particular chapter in the eBook, still copy the link from the Library Catalog, but then add the chapter details to the end as appropriate. For example, for the following eBook hosted on the R2 platform, *Musculoskeletal Examination* (2016), the best link (taken from the Library Catalog) is:

<http://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=https://www.r2library.com/Resource/Title/1118962761>

When looking specifically at chapter 3, the link in the browser bar is:

<https://0b34id8mm-mp01-y-https-www-r2library-com.prx-usa.lirn.net/resource/detail/1118962761/ch0003s0052>

Change just the end of the best link to match the end of the browser link:

<http://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=https://www.r2library.com/resource/detail/1118962761/ch0003s0052>

EBSCO

EBSCO is the easiest platform for linking. When you are on the page for the record you want to share, simply click the Permalink icon on the Tools menu on the right side of the page. A permalink will appear above the record title. By default, that link will be correctly formatted. Simply copy it.

EBSCO record page for "NIEHS: Making a Mark on Translational Research Science". The page includes a "Permalink" field with the URL: <http://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&>. The "Tools" menu on the right side of the page has the "Permalink" option highlighted with a red box. The "Related Information" section on the left includes "Find Similar Results using SmartText Searching."

Gale

If the item you want to share is located on the Gale platform, the best way to link is to click on the "Get Link" icon in the upper right:

Gale record page for "Opposing Viewpoints". The page shows a "Get Link" icon in the upper right corner, highlighted with a red box. The page also includes a search bar and a "Results" section.

'You can give them wings to fly': a qualitative study on values-based leadership in health care



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Publisher: BioMed Central Ltd.



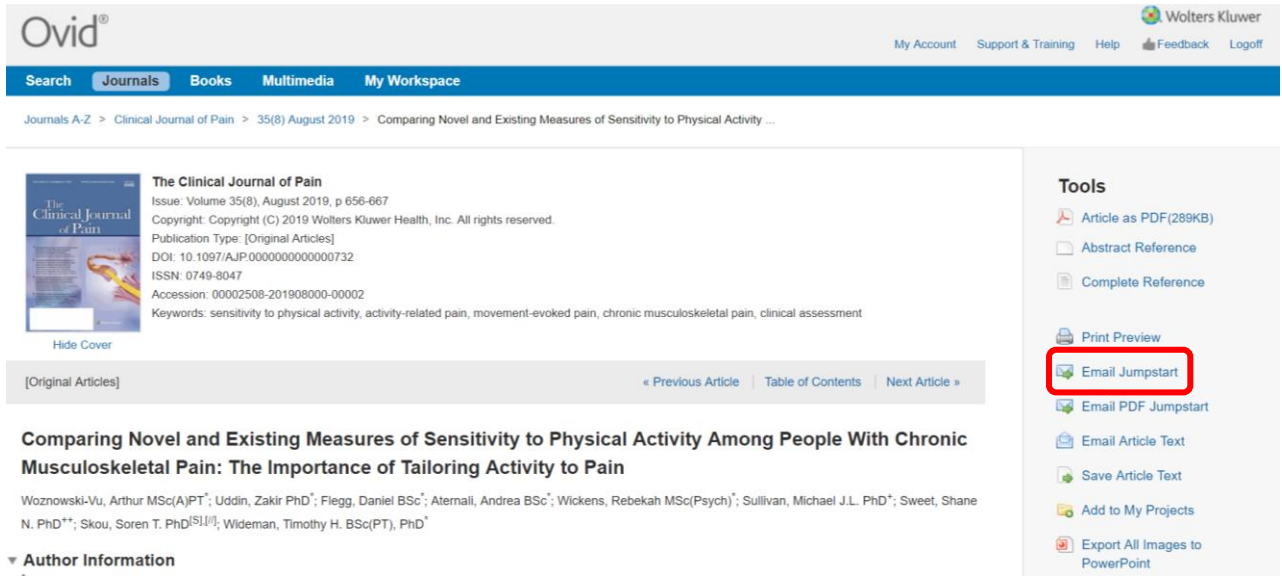
Document Type: Report
Length: 11,787 words
Lexile Measure: 1430L
Content Level: ▲ (Advanced)
DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1186/s12910-019-0374-x>

This will give you a non-proxied link. Add the proxy prefix (<https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=>) to the front:

<https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/A590705690/OVIC?u=lirn55718&sid=OVIC&xid=024a33a9>

Ovid

In Ovid, use the “Email Jumpstart” link to get a non-proxied link to the page:



The screenshot shows the Ovid website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Ovid logo and links for My Account, Support & Training, Help, Feedback, and Logoff. Below this is a search bar and a menu with options: Search, Journals, Books, Multimedia, and My Workspace. The main content area displays the article title "Comparing Novel and Existing Measures of Sensitivity to Physical Activity ..." from "The Clinical Journal of Pain". The article details include the issue information (Volume 35(8), August 2019, p 656-667), copyright (© 2019 Wolters Kluwer Health, Inc.), publication type (Original Articles), DOI (10.1097/AJP.0000000000000732), ISSN (0749-8047), and accession number (00002508-201908000-00002). The keywords are: sensitivity to physical activity, activity-related pain, movement-evoked pain, chronic musculoskeletal pain, clinical assessment. On the right side, there is a "Tools" sidebar with various options: Article as PDF (289KB), Abstract Reference, Complete Reference, Print Preview, Email Jumpstart (highlighted with a red box), Email PDF Jumpstart, Email Article Text, Save Article Text, Add to My Projects, and Export All Images to PowerPoint. Below the article title, there is a navigation bar with links for Previous Article, Table of Contents, and Next Article. The author information section is partially visible at the bottom.

Then, add the proxy prefix (<https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=>) to the front:

<https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=http://ovidsp.ovid.com/ovidweb.cgi?T=JS&CSC=Y&NEWS=N&PAGE=fulltext&AN=00002508-201908000-00002&LSLINK=80&D=ovft>

ProQuest

In ProQuest, getting a good permanent link takes a few more steps.

On the page for the item in ProQuest, click on the “Cite” link on the right side of the screen:

The screenshot shows the ProQuest interface for an article. The article title is "Professional competencies in health sciences education: from multiple intelligences to the clinic floor" by Lane, India F. The journal is "Advances in Health Sciences Education", Volume 15, Issue 1, March 2010, pages 129-146. The DOI is 10.1007/s10459-009-9172-4. On the right side, there is a search bar and a list of actions: "Download PDF", "Cite" (highlighted with a red box), "Email", "Print", and "Save". Below these are "Add to Selected items" and "Related items". The main content area shows the article title and a section header "REFLECTIONS".

When the pop-up box comes up, select to see the citation in AMA style:

The screenshot shows the "Cite" pop-up box. The citation style is set to "AMA - American Medical Association, 10th Edition". Below the style selector, it says "Select then copy and paste the citation into your document." The citation text is: "1. Lane IF. Professional competencies in health sciences education: From multiple intelligences to the clinic floor. *Advances in Health Sciences Education*. 2010;15(1):129-146. <https://search.proquest.com/docview/2259158208?accountid=158603>. doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s10459-009-9172-4>." The URL is highlighted with a red box. At the bottom, it says "Powered by RefWorks" and "Consult RefWorks style guidelines to check the accuracy and completeness of your citation."

Copy the link given within that citation (not the DOI link, but the one that starts with search.proquest.com). This is a non-proxied link. Add the proxy prefix (<https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=>) to the front:

<https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=https://search.proquest.com/docview/2259158208?accountid=158603>

Publishers' Web Sites for Journals

For any article on a publisher's website (e.g., IOS Press, MIT Press, Sage, ScienceDirect, Taylor & Francis, Thieme, or Wiley), the best way to set a permanent link is to put the proxy prefix (<https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=>) in front of the DOI link.

You can typically find the DOI link easily on the article access page:

The screenshot shows the Wiley Online Library interface. At the top left is the 'Wiley Online Library' logo. To its right, it says 'Access by University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences'. Further right is a search box and a 'Login / Regis' link. Below this is a banner for a 'SPECIAL ISSUE' titled 'ADVANCES AND CHALLENGES IN PEDIATRIC CANCERS' from 'Cancer Reports'. The main article header for 'European Journal of Cancer Care' is visible, with the subtitle 'A multidisciplinary journal for cancer research - from prevention to palliation'. The article title is 'Prevalence of cancer and management in elderly nursing home residents. A descriptive study in 45 French nursing homes'. The authors listed are Evelyne Liuu, Nicolas Guyot, Simon Valero, Amelie Jamet, Houria El Ouazzani, Patrick Bouchaert, Jean-Marc Tourani, Virginie Migeot, and Marc Paccalin. The publication date is 'First published: 29 October 2018' and the DOI link 'https://doi.org/10.1111/ecc.12957' is highlighted with a red box. The article is cited by 1. There are also advertisements for 'Wiley Digital Archives' and 'Royal College of Physicians'.

For example:

<https://prx-usa.lirn.net/login?url=https://doi.org/10.1111/ecc.12957>

If the site only lists the DOI number (i.e., not as a hyperlink), simply put that number after <https://doi.org/>

Alternately, look for a “Share” button or icon – you may need to add the proxy prefix to the link it gives you.