Integrating Library Resources in Sakai

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Introduction

- Why Sakai?
- Define Library Resources
- Use of Tools and Best Practices
- Indicators of Success
- Next Steps

Why Sakai?

- Librarians have limited access to the website
- Website is complex and difficult to navigate with a poor search feature
- Users are already in Sakai for course work
- Easy to use

Defining Library Resources

- Web links
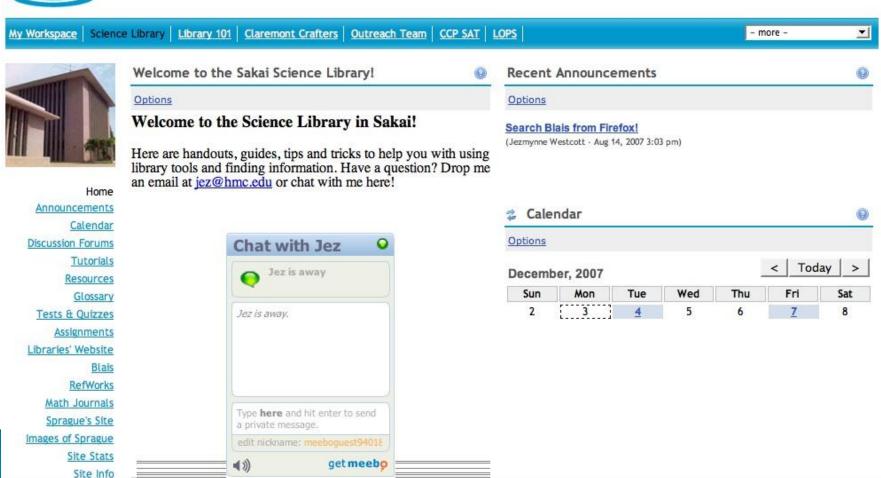- Documents
- Knowledge
- Librarians

Home

- Previews announcements, calendar, discussion
- Option for a text description
- Or, point description to a customized web page
  - Create a specialized and focused welcome to the site and contents
  - Use a Meebo widget for chat
    - Meebo allows users to chat with librarians even when they are not logged into Sakai
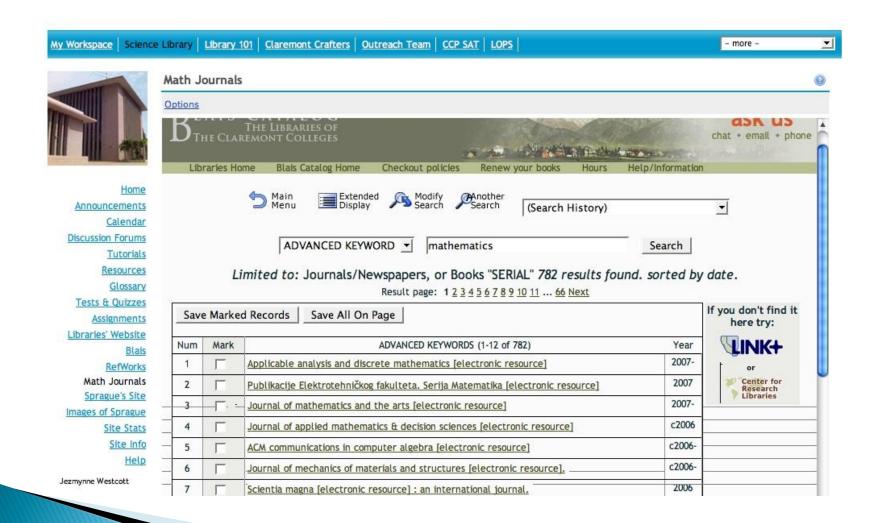
Science Library Home

Web Content Tool

- Links to the OPAC, databases, RefWorks, library website, school website, student portal, &c
  - Links from the tool menu bar refresh if the page reloads, so pages that require constant or ongoing manipulation should open in a new window
  - Lots of links makes the page really long – prioritize links and place the rest in Resources

Web Content Links

Resources Tool

- Handouts organized by subject or objective
- Restrict some folders to groups
- Duplicate multi-use items across folders
  - Google Scholar, Web of Science guides
- Use HTML or text files for users that don't have Word or Adobe
- Make items or folders publicly viewable and you can point to them in other places

Science Library Resources

Assignments Tool

- Create your own library/research assignments
  - "How To" step by step research guide
  - Course integrated assignments for library sessions
    - Three step assignment and drop box to assess pre and post instruction sessions
  - Suggest library assignments outside of the traditional research paper
    - Work with faculty to try new assignments
    - Encourage faculty to point students to librarian assignments

Science Library Assignments

Drop Box Tool

- Drop box is private file sharing between you and the student
- Use with assignments tool for pre and post instruction for assessment of literacies
- Work with faculty to review bibliographies
- Encourage students to upload a search history for troubleshooting difficult reference questions

Science Library Drop Box

Wiki Tool for Tutorials

- Use text, links, images, video/audio files
  - Store linked to items in Resources in another site

  - Make items publicly viewable
  - Easy to use

Science Library Wiki

RefWorks Tutorial

⇄ **Wiki**

🏠 Home 📋 View 📝 Edit ⓘ Info 🕓 History 👁 Watch   Search: [   ]

Home > Refworks 101

WHAT IS REFWORKS?

RefWorks is your personal database for managing your bibliographic citations, linking you to online journal articles, and producing bibliographies for your papers. RefWorks 'talks' to many of our databases enabling you to browse the literature indexes and simply import citations directly into RefWorks with ease.

Click here to open RefWorks in a new window
↗http://ezproxy.libraries.claremont.edu/login?url=https://www.refworks.com/refworks

GETTING STARTED

First, log into RefWorks from the Libraries' webpage

1. ↗http://libraries.claremont.edu
2. "Quick Links"
3. "RefWorks"

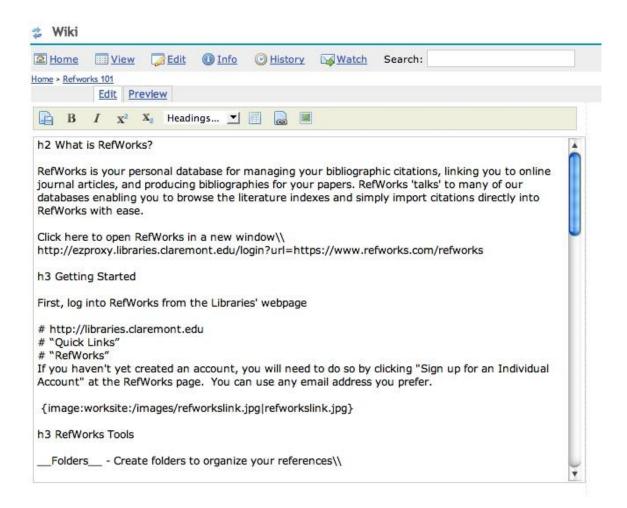If you haven't yet created an account, you will need to do so by clicking "Sign up for an Individual Account" at the RefWorks page. You can use any email address you prefer.

Wiki Text

Indicators of Success

- 185 students and faculty joined since site went public in Fall '07
- Science library site hit the list of most highly visited sites several weeks of the fall semester
- Faculty adding librarians to course sites
- Site stats indicate logins, events, and resources accessed

Next Steps

- More librarian involvement
  - More special project sites – subject related, concept related, or objective related
- Course integrated instruction
  - More implementation of the 3 Step Library Instruction Assignment
- Cease ERES electronic reserves server and formally migrate all course reserves into Sakai's Resources tool

Thank You!

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