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## Discover the Right E-Book Models for Your Library.

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# E-Book Collection Types

Find the Right Road for Your Library's  
E-Book User Volume and Budget

Not all e-book models or collections are created equal, and it's important to pick an e-book solution that fits the needs of your library users and your budget. Browse the options below and discuss the best course of action with your local EBSCO representative.

## E-Book Collection Types:

*(Click on the collection type to learn more)*

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## Access Models

Pick the Most Suitable Vehicle  
for Your Users:



**1 Book 1 User (1B1U):** One user can access an e-book at one time



**1 Book 3 User (1B3U):** Three users can simultaneously access an e-book at one time



**1 Book Unlimited User (1BUU):** Unlimited number of users can access an e-book at one time



**DRM-Free:** Unlimited number of users can access an e-book at one time without barriers. Select publishers offer DRM-free at the UU level.



**Concurrent Access:** Unlimited number of users can access an e-book up to an annual number of uses





# Featured Collections

## Popular Path to E-Book Ownership of Complete Collections

Purchase as complete collections or title-by-title. [See Ordering Options](#)

When the demand for access to a large quantity of e-books across a wide-range of topics is high, a perpetual collection is a smart choice. These sizeable e-book collections are suitable for institutions looking to select from and own hundreds of e-book options in categories such as award winners, new releases and DRM-free titles.

### Considerations:

- Access model availability is determined by e-book publishers
- E-book ownership ensures your library has access to titles in perpetuity. For broader access to a wide range of titles across disciplines, consider [Subscription Options](#)
- Acquire as complete collections or browse title-by-title in EBSCOhost® *Collection Manager* (ECM) - [See Ordering Options](#)
- Featured collections are also available in GOBI® - [See Ordering Options](#)

### Benefits of Featured Collections:

- Large collections of e-books across many topics curated by collection development librarians
- Guarantee access with this purchase-once-and-own-forever option
- High-quality e-book collections that include frontlist titles whenever possible
- Browse dozens of DRM-free e-book collections with unlimited user access

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## Popular Featured Collections:

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- Business Administration
- Classic Literature
- Diverse Perspectives in the Arts
- Doody's Special Topics - Active Duty Military & Veteran Health
- DRM-Free: University Presses
- Shakespeare
- Supply Chain Logistics



# Subject Sets

## Reliable Passage to Ownership of Frontlist, Subject-Specific E-Books

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With thousands of best-of and bestsellers lists available, it can be hard to select e-books that meet the needs of your entire library in a timely fashion. Subject sets offer libraries reputable collections that can be quickly viewed, easily purchased and accessible to students in minutes, while assuring quality coverage of important subject areas.

### Considerations:

- New sets are released twice per year in August and February – [sign up](#) for the newsletter ECM Advisor for updates.
- Access model availability is determined by e-book publishers
- Acquire subject sets in EBSCOhost *Collection Manager* (ECM) - [See Ordering Options](#)
- Subject sets are also available as Spotlight Lists in GOBI - [See Ordering Options](#)

### Benefits of Subject Sets:

- New and popular e-books on high-interest topics
- Highly curated collections assembled by EBSCO librarians
- Each set contains e-books published within the past two years with no duplication among current or past subject sets

## Popular Subject Sets:

- American Contemporary Issues
- Accessibility & Disability Studies
- Education
- Emergency Management
- Energy & Green Technologies
- Epidemiology
- Fine Arts & Music
- Leadership & Management
- Library Science
- Public Health
- Urban Studies





# Subscription Collections

## A Budget-Friendly Route to a Large Quantity of Relevant E-Books

All Subscriptions Offer Unlimited User Access

When budgets are lean and your library needs a large number of high-quality e-books on specific subjects, e-book subscriptions are a great solution. These highly curated collections vary in quantity based on topic and offer unlimited user access to scholarly titles from leading publishers and university presses.

### Benefits of *EBSCO eBooks* Subscriptions:

- Large selections of popular titles in high-interest subject areas
- New e-books added regularly at no additional cost
- Reduce turnaways with unlimited access on all e-books
- Affordable way to acquire a large amount of discoverable content at a low per-title cost
- Adds a strong layer of foundational content essential to course curricula and research

### Considerations:

- Not all vendors use good subscription management practices. EBSCO notifies your library of new and removed titles, does not use filler content, and ensures frontlist e-book publication dates match the MARC record dates.
- All e-book subscription packages are offered on an annual subscription basis
- Titles are removed or replaced at the end of each semester to avoid interruption to course work
- EBSCO subscriptions can only be acquired through an [EBSCO representative](#)

## Popular Subscription Collections:

- Academic
- Business
- Clinical
- Education
- Harvard Business Review Press
- History
- Nursing
- Psychology
- Religion
- Sage Subscription Collections



# Custom Collections

## A Trail Crafted to Fit Your Library's Unique Needs

Looking for a unique e-book collection? Let EBSCO's dedicated team of collection development librarians help you create a custom collection of e-books to satisfy your library's distinctive e-book requirements. Give us your criteria, and our collection development experts will curate a collection of e-books for your library to consider.

### Benefits of *EBSCO eBooks Custom Collections*:

- Unique collections of e-books curated specifically for your library by EBSCO collection development experts
- Choose from any combination of access models, from perpetual to DDA to Concurrent Access
- Drill down into niche topics that fit the unique research needs of your library users

### Considerations:

- Access model availability is determined by e-book publishers
- EBSCO custom collections can only be requested through an [EBSCO representative](#)

## Types of Custom Collections:

EBSCO recognizes the importance of aligning e-book collections to your library's goals and initiatives. Here are some examples of custom collections:

- Agribusiness
- Biblical Studies
- Global Supply Chain
- Inspiring Women
- Marriage and Family Therapy
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- Nursing Examination Prep
- Oncology Nursing
- Pastoral Ministry
- Petroleum Engineering
- Tourism Marketing





# DDA (Demand-Driven Acquisition)

## Build a Pathway for Guaranteed Usage

Preserve your library's budget while maintaining control over the collection development process with the EBSCO Demand-Driven Acquisition (DDA) program.

**How does it work?** Create DDA title lists for your library on EBSCOhost *Collection Manager* (ECM) using specific criteria, and then expose the bibliographic records to end users without purchasing the titles. A title on the DDA list is triggered for purchase when a user directly accesses the title, guaranteeing that only those titles with meaningful use are purchased.

### Benefits of DDA Collections:

- Easy option to maintain control over the acquisition of specific *EBSCO eBooks*
- Develop a collection of e-books with guaranteed usage based on research needs of your library's audience
- Users can easily discover titles by browsing or searching your library's e-book collection

### Considerations:

- Best used as a complement to your library's collection and not as a substitute for purchased or leased books
- Access model availability is determined by e-book publishers
- DDA collections are a convenient self-service option that can be managed through ECM and GOBI.

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- **Turned** up to 10 pages in the e-book
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- **Printed** any portion of the e-book

## Types of DDAs:

- For purchase
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- For a designated number of STLs, followed by a purchase
- A combination of purchase and STL



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**Supports key workflows in a single intuitive Interface.**

Ask your EBSCO Representative for more information.

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**Fast, Easy Access to E-Books with  
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- Provides robust research functions specifically tailored for libraries.
- Allows users to utilize enhanced filtering options for faster results.
- Developed with user feedback and librarian feedback to better understand how users choose relevant, high-quality resources.
- Offers an intuitive interface that displays content, supporting critical thinking and analytical skills.
- Creates unique research experiences, including personalized dashboards, saved searches, and organization tools, to enhance overall research outcomes.

**Please note:** EBSCO will roll out the new EDS user experience to customers based on readiness, which will depend on customer configuration and current profiles. Keep updated on our progress by signing up for the monthly newsletter [ECM Advisor](#).

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# E-Book Accessibility

## Optimizing the Experience for All Users

The ability to make e-books accessible to all types of users is a top priority. EBSCO is committed to working with libraries to help forge a trail of positive experiences for everyone. Here are some of the ways EBSCO is working toward creating the most user-friendly e-book experience possible.

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## Optimizing the Experience for All Users

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## Tools to Build and Manage Your Library's E-Book Collections

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