Linking to a Library Database: JSTOR

This handout demonstrates how to create a link in Moodle to an article stored in the JSTOR databases (Arts & Sciences II, III, V, VII; Language & Literature).

Finding an Article

1. Access the JSTOR system through http://www.gtu.edu/library/find-articles .

2. Select **On-campus** if you are in your campus office or in a computer lab, or select **Off-campus** if you accessing the databases from outside the consortium network or through the GTU wireless internet connection.

3. Search for the article in the database as you normally would.

4. Click on the article title in the results list to view the article.

5. At the top of the article page, highlight the link next to **Stable URL**, right-click on the highlighted text, and select Copy.

Adding the Link to Moodle

1. Go to the appropriate course in Moodle and turn editing on.

2. From the **Add a resource…** drop-down menu, select **Label**.

3. Since students will be accessing the article from both on-campus and off-campus locations, you will need to create two links in the label.

4. Type the author and title of the article or abstract, followed by a colon and the text "On-campus or Off-campus."
   For example:

   > Eric W. Gritsch, "The Function and Structure of Gospelling: An Essay on 'Ministry' According to the Augsburg Confession": On-campus or Off-campus

5. Highlight the text "On-campus" or "Off-campus," depending on the location from which you originally accessed the article or abstract. Thus, if you are working from your campus office, highlight the text "On-campus."

6. Click the **Insert/edit link** button 🔗 from the text box toolbar.

7. Right-click and paste the link in the **Link URL** field.

8. Select **Open in new window** from the **Target** drop-down menu.

9. Click the **Insert** button.

10. Repeat steps 6 through 9 to create the link for the other location.

    a. In step 7, you will need to change the link slightly to accommodate the other access location.

    b. An **on-campus** link looks like the following:
       http://www.jstor.org/stable/2540153

    c. An **off-campus** link looks like the following:
       http://0-www.jstor.org.grace.gtu.edu/stable/2540153

    d. The highlighted text demonstrates the difference between the two links.

    e. If you are creating an **off-campus** link from an **on-campus** one, you must add the **0-** [*zero dash*] before the word "www" and **.grace.gtu.edu** [*dot* grace *dot* gtu *dot* edu] after the word "org" – delete the indicated text to create an **on-campus** link from an **off-campus** one.

11. Once you have created the two links, click the **Save and return to course** button.

12. You will see an entry for the article with two hyperlinks following it.
    For example:

    > Eric W. Gritsch, "The Function and Structure of Gospelling: An Essay on 'Ministry' According to the Augsburg Confession": On-campus or Off-campus

13. Your students will now be able to access the article or abstract no matter where they are connected to Moodle.

Note: when users click on the **Off-campus** link, they will be redirected to the GTU Library Login page for authentication before being able to view the JSTOR system.