Articles+ at Yale University Library

http://yale.summon.serialssolutions.com

Articles+ is linked off the homepage:

See this handout online at http://tinyurl.com/artplusLSARC
We upgraded to Summon 2.0 version May 7th 2014

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What does Articles+ do?

- Articles+ searches licensed electronic resources in Yale’s collections
  - it knows about our collections by checking the holdings in our knowledge base, maintained by the E-resource Group (see the E-resource Group’s presentation)

- It can also search outside Yale’s collections:

  1,025,350,526 results sorted by relevance

- Like many discovery tools, Articles+ works off of a giant index comprised of millions of different types of records
  - these are often provided by publishers and other electronic resource providers.

- When you search in Articles+, you are hitting this giant index to find a match for your search terms

- Not all publishers, providers, etc. will supply their records to ProQuest/Serials Solutions
  - this means that there is a small percentage of resources you might search in Articles+ that you may not be able to find
  - if you encounter such a one, please send email to jennifer.nolte@yale.edu

- Articles+ is helpful in particular for undergraduate students, who may need more introductory information and are used to single search boxes and facets:
Articles+ also reads our LibGuides, pulling them into the giant index and making them a part of search results.

- Guides are also pulled into the right hand pane as a part of “Recommended Research Guides” feature

- Librarians associated with a guide are pulled into the “Suggested Librarian” feature

What doesn’t it do?

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- Articles+ is intended to be used for topic exploration and resource discovery.

-Known item searching; ex. an exact title search, and so on, will not produce the same results in Articles+ as it might in Orbis or Morris.

- Our catalog Orbis is NOT in Articles+, though other institutions have done this.

- Articles+ is a discovery tool but it is not the same as the Blacklight discovery tool.

- When completed, Blacklight will sit on top of most of the library’s services, including Articles+

- Articles+ is also NOT our knowledgebase of electronic resources.

- If you think of yourself, the user, as a patron in a restaurant about to order, think of the knowledgebase as the menu. Articles+ would be the waitstaff who brings you the pie you asked for! You can’t order off the menu with Articles+.

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What’s next for Articles+?

- distinct branding
- enhanced metadata and relevancy ranking for LibGuides
- seamless handoffs between Articles+, YaleLinks menu and link resolver, Orbis/Morris and GetIt@Yale
- Articles+ bento box in the Blacklight discovery layer
- embedded search box right off the library’s home page
- watch for a “Rediscover Discovery” forum