

Electronic Resources

The rising costs of coursepacks and sourcebooks are a concern in many FAS courses. The Harvard College Library is working with other FAS units to reduce these costs by using content that is already licensed for use within the Harvard Community.

We are reaching out to the academic departments to raise awareness of the thousands of online titles that are now available for your use, without cost, and to offer orientation in how to establish links from the reading lists on your course websites directly to these licensed resources.

The Library plans to approach this initiative as follows:

- [Sue Gilroy](#), telephone ext. 6-5403, is the librarian assigned to the Department of Government. She is available to meet you to discuss available e-resources and to outline the process of linking to them from the course web sites. Depending upon the needs of the department, this could take place formally in workshops or informally through a variety of mutually agreed upon approaches.
- In the fall, HCL and the Instructional Computing Group (ICG) will cover these issues in a session for Teaching Fellows at the teaching conference sponsored by the Bok Center.
- The HCL website has a detailed research guide that includes information about e-resources, linking and copyright guidelines at the following URL: <http://hcl.harvard.edu/research/guides/deeplinking/>. This information may also be made available on course iSites, in Library publications related to the preparation of course reserves reading lists, and on departmental websites in the sciences.