Overview

UMUC Student Population
- 92,000 students worldwide
- 75% of total enrollments are online
- Non-traditional students

Problem Statement
No effective one-stop search interface for electronic resources

Objective
Find and implement a discovery tool to meet patrons’ research needs at a distance

Solution: EBSCO Discovery Service (EDS)
- Searches majority of our electronic resources
- Best user interface
- Normalized subject terms

UMUC Library OneSearch

UMUC EDS Implementation

Library Administration
Initiated selection and acquisition of EDS and coordinated with USMAI library consortium

Electronic Resources Management
Handled pricing and licensing negotiations, implementation planning, content setup, and administration

Reference and Instruction
Considered needs of undergraduate and graduate students and assisted in creating instructional material

Systems
Managed customizations and integration of EDS into the library website

Outcome

Our Particular Setup
- Comprehensive as possible:
  - 46 databases searched directly
  - 45 federated as additional resources
  - 33 unable to include
- Catalog records not loaded
- Branded EDS differently from other EBSCO databases, but search settings the same

Results
- Now have one-stop search for most resources
-Database usage up for all resources
-Reference questions down

Future Development
- Integrate into online courses
- Build subject-specific and other search boxes
- Customize Web 2.0 features for faculty
- Harvest open resources