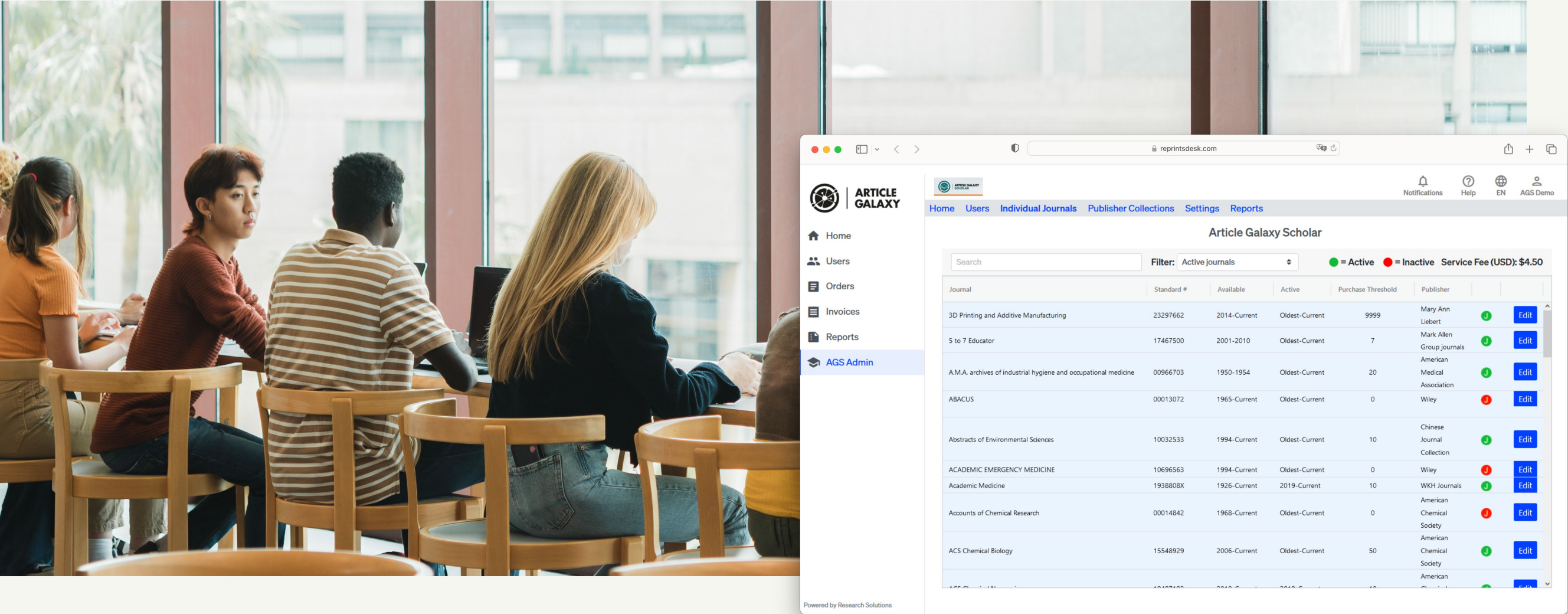


Article Galaxy Scholar



Frequently Ask Questions



What is Article Galaxy Scholar?

Article Galaxy Scholar is an innovative software solution designed for academic libraries to efficiently manage and automate article requests. It streamlines access to scholarly content by guiding users to open access versions, article purchase options, or interlibrary loan (ILL) services, ensuring they can easily obtain the full-text articles they need from most major publishers.

What content does it cover?

Article Galaxy Scholar provides access to articles from over 33,000 journals, featuring content from leading European and North American publishers. The full online catalog of most participating publishers is included, with no embargoes, ensuring immediate access to the latest research.

What about open access, how is that included?

Article Galaxy Scholar integrates the Unpaywall service to filter for open access (OA) articles, alongside our own extensive collection of publisher content while also facilitating the discovery and access of paywalled journal articles. This expands your library's search results, providing your users with in-demand resources from the world's leading academic publishers. The OA feature can be switched off if preferred, offering full customization.

How do I integrate with my link resolver?

Integrating with your link resolver is entirely under your library's control. You can designate Article Galaxy Scholar as the target for any journals you want our service to handle, including any titles from our extensive collection. We have experience working with all major library service providers, ensuring a smooth integration process.

Will AGS require a lot of setup by me or my library staff?

Setup is simple, and we're here to help. The more you customize AGS to automate your library's fulfillment and request mediation, the more time and money you can save in the future. The setup time depends on the number of custom settings and the total number of titles you want the service to support.

Can I customize what patrons/end users see?

Yes, you can customize what your patrons see by adding your university logo, library contact information, and modifying text specific to your campus programs and policies. The editable fields support hyperlinks, OpenURL linking, and unicode characters for translated text. Linking behavior and the display layer are entirely under your library's control. You can choose how OpenURL links appear in your library discovery layer, such as presenting options like "Full-text options" or "Check for access."

I hear you'll be able to control delivery options for specific users or user types?

Yes, librarians manage end-user profiles and settings directly through an administrative interface in our system, bypassing the need for direct feeds from existing user registry systems and addressing any related privacy concerns. We also support Single Sign-On (SSO) and can work with any system your library uses, ensuring seamless integration and easy access for your users.

How can I configure document delivery with usage and cost controls?

Libraries can configure document delivery order thresholds by user and title, including adhering to CONTU guidelines. Our platform provides an intuitive interface for libraries to manage preferred users, publishers, journals, and cost controls. Additionally, detailed reporting on article requests and purchases is available to help monitor and manage spending.

What are the prices for articles?

The cost of an article includes a low service fee and a copyright royalty paid to the publisher. Many articles from major publishers are offered at a discounted price compared to the publisher's paywall or other royalty payment options. For the remainder, the prices generally match or are similar to the publisher's paywall rates. Publishers reserve the right to change pricing at any time, though they typically only do so at the beginning of each calendar year.



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