What is OhioLINK?

OhioLINK is a shared electronic catalog displaying information for items owned by our member libraries. It lists over 38 million items, including books, periodicals, maps, music scores and audiovisual materials. Users can search for and make requests online for these materials to be picked up at any member library (117 libraries within 88 institutions and the State Library of Ohio) - from anywhere around the state - without the aid of a librarian so that members of the OhioLINK/SearchOhio communities can easily and efficiently share resources.

For 30 Years Through Ups and Downs OhioLINK Is On Top and Still Going Strong

For 30 years “OhioLINK has remained focused on offering equitable, cost-effective access to high-caliber scholarly resources to support teaching, learning, and research in Ohio.”

Currently 78% of requested items are fulfilled (from patron request to checkin at the borrowing library) in 1-5 Business Days. 18% of requested items are fulfilled (from patron request to checkin at the borrowing library) in 6-10 business days.

Since returning to our previous courier service in April 2022, transit times for 80% of fulfilled requests is 1-5 business days. Transit times for 18% of fulfilled requests is 6 -10 business days.

In Calendar Year 2022 there were 138,857 requests made, 132,233 requests were fulfilled. 95% of the requests made were fulfilled.

Calendar Year 2022 shows public libraries were our top borrowing patron (38%). Faculty made up about 27%, followed by undergraduates (15%) and graduates (13%).

8 Easy Steps To Request Print and Media Materials on OhioLINK

1. Search the shared electronic catalog ohiolink.edu.
2. Request the available item you want.
3. Select the institution that you are associated with.
4. Provide Your User Name (institution specific)
5. Provide your Password (institution specific)
6. Select Pickup Institution
7. Select Pickup Location.
8. Submit.

OhioLINK Print and Media Lending Loan Rules

42 day loan rule for Faculty/Staff with six 42 day renewals as long as the item has not been requested by another user

21 day loan rule for everyone except Faculty/Staff with six 21 day renewals as long as the item has not been requested by another user.

Media circulates for 7 days with three 7 day renewals for all patron types as long as the item has not been requested by another user.