Get the Most out of Project MUSE

A checklist for maximizing MUSE use at your institution

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Promote Awareness and Usage ......*details on reverse*

- ☐ Update the description of MUSE (your journals collection) on library sites and materials
- ☐ Encourage MUSE usage by displaying and distributing free promotional materials
- ☐ Publicize that MUSE offers both back issues and current issues for many journals
- ☐ Advertise access to over **150 journals** with a **complete run** on MUSE
- ☐ Provide free access to MUSE for alumni

Create Access Points ......*details on reverse*

- ☐ Update A-Z lists, course management systems (CMS), discovery services, and social media with an up-to-date description of MUSE
- ☐ Include MUSE as a main resource in LibGuides and other research materials in subjects where MUSE has substantial interdisciplinary content (*suggestions on back*)
- ☐ Load MARC records for MUSE books purchased

Use Tools to Improve Access and Search Results ......*details on reverse*

- ☐ Install the MUSE search widget on library webpages, social media, course management tools
- ☐ Link to MUSE tutorials and use in instruction sessions
- ☐ Link to the online Search Guide or order copies of the Search Guide in PDF format
- ☐ Create a MyMUSE account for content alerts, saved searches, saved content (articles, journals, books, book chapters), export citations

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Key Features of MUSE books and journals

- ✓ 100% full text
- ✓ DRM free
- ✓ Unlimited simultaneous access; no limits on printing and downloading
- ✓ Mobile accessible
- ✓ No embargoes on content
- ✓ Accessibility – current VPAT on site

Details for how to maximize MUSE usage at your institution

Promote Awareness and Usage

1. Update the description of your MUSE journals collection:

   Project MUSE offers full-text current and archival articles from 600+ scholarly journals from major university presses covering literature and criticism, history, performing arts, cultural studies, education, philosophy, political science, gender studies, and more. Updated continually.

2. Order free promotional materials: about.muse.jhu.edu/resources/promotional-materials/

3. Back issues of a journal provided free of charge with your subscription

4. **Journals with a Complete run**:   about.muse.jhu.edu/muse/journals/complete/

5. Add access for alumni at no additional cost. Alumni are included in the MUSE licenses.

Create Access Points

1. See #1 above for an up-to-date description for your MUSE journals

2. MUSE has substantial interdisciplinary content in:
   Cultural/Area Studies
   > Language and culture (Japanese, African American, Judaic, Middle Eastern, Asian, European, Chicana/o, Native American and Indigenous, Latin American), race and ethnicity, immigrants, social media and culture

   Film, Media, Theater and Performing Arts
   > Dance, film studies, music, dramatic arts, Black experience, performance reviews, theater history, music history

   Literature
   > Comparative, literary criticism, language and literature (American, French, German, Slavic, Irish, Italian, English), African American, women writers, creative writing

   Political Science and International Relations
   > Environment and sustainability, human rights, international relations, political theory, labor, voting rights, US foreign policy, global public health, NGOs

   Religion and Philosophy
   > Theology, Christianity, Judaism, modern Hinduism, modern Islam, aesthetics, moral realism, secular humanism

   Women's and Gender Studies
   > Feminist studies, gender and sexuality, diversity

3. Download MARC records: about.muse.jhu.edu/librarians/

Use Tools to Improve Access and Search Results

1. Download the Search widget: about.muse.jhu.edu/resources/user-guides/

2. Link to Search Guides and tutorials, Help topics, and how to cite content in MUSE. Find links: about.muse.jhu.edu/resources/help-overview/

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