

## Membership

Join the company that negotiates with publishers and content providers to benefit from access to premium online resources for learning, teaching and research. The mutual trading structure of JISC Collections means that a membership relationship is required in order to serve the community.

## Why join?

Being a member of JISC Collections means that your institution / organisation will be able to enjoy access to an extensive and expanding portfolio of online resources for education and research at rates that would be impossible to achieve without the efforts of JISC Collections. Our negotiations with publishers and content providers have delivered substantial benefits. For example in July 2009 we have delivered over £43 million in annual efficiency gains to our members. In addition JISC calculates that for every £1 invested in JISC Collections the company saves the academic community £34.

## Join us now

To join JISC Collections you will need to register as either an institutional or affiliate member. How you will benefit from joining is summarised below:

### Institutional members

All UK Higher and Further Education institutions, and Specialist Colleges that are directly funded by UK Higher and Further Education funding councils, and Research Councils are eligible to join as institutional members.

#### Benefits

- **membership is free of charge**
- **catalogue of online resources** – eligibility to subscribe to all of our negotiated agreements
- **member dashboard** – by registering with JISC Collections you can create a secure account (subject to approval) for your institution that will allow you to manage your subscriptions to the online resources in our catalogue
- **online journals** – eligibility to subscribe to all of our NESLi2 negotiated journal agreements
- **free of charge online resources** – eligibility to register to access and use all freely available or subsidised JISC / JISC Collections funded agreements and resources
- **monthly e-newsletter** – keep up to date with the latest developments with our monthly email bulletin of essential news, information and developments
- **publications** – find out what we are doing to benefit our members through our Annual Review, Corporate Plan, information and guidance publications, specially commissioned reports and catalogue of online resources
- **voting rights** – your opportunity to participate in annual elections for the selection of Institutional Member Directors to the JISC Collections' Board
- **JISC Collections Annual General Meeting and Conference** – members can attend free of charge and participate in ballots on a number of key issues at this event
- **free tools** – access our portfolio of tools designed to help users make informed decisions on the selection and use of online resources to help maximise return on investment
- **events and training days** – improve your knowledge and skills by attending our one-day courses and events that are specifically tailored to support information professionals
- **projects** – participate in our projects that include investigating new licensing and business models in relation to online content

### Institutional members

Affiliate paid membership is available to other organisations in the UK and overseas which qualify through their engagement in lifelong learning.

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- **catalogue of online resources** – in return for a small annual membership fee, members can subscribe to a specially selected and expanding range of online resources that includes archive resources, business data, databases, digital film, online journals, news media, reference works and research materials
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