SubjectsPlus

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Introduction

- SubjectsPlus
  - Free and open source tool that enables libraries to create and manage online research guides.
  - It was Developed by Andrew Darby at Ithaca College Library, USA in 2004 and presently it is maintained by University of Miami Libraries.
  - It is an applications based on PHP and MySQL.
  - Subject guides can be created by “subject librarians” with no special technical skill.

…Introduction…

- It provides facilities to dynamically manage a library's subject, course, and topic guides.
- First version of SubjectPlus released in 2004
- Current version of SubjectsPlus is 4.5, Released in 2020.
- It can be used as a content management tool.

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- It allows many different ways of presenting the guides and enabling users to access them like users may want to navigate-
  - by subject,
  - by course,
  - by the database or
  - by the type of information they required.

Why SubjectsPlus

- To create platform for access to both commercial and open access e-resources.
- To provide remote access of information resources.
- To organize number of online resources by subject, by A-Z list of databases
- To collaborate and communicate with faculty and department.
- To provide information to right user at right time.

Features of SubjectsPlus

- Create Guides
- Staff List
- Database List
- Video Management
- FAQs
- Suggestion Box
- Multilingual
- API (Application Programming Interface..Software Library / Web API)
- Summon Integration (Online Assistance on Technical Issue)
- etc.

Some Users of SubjectsPlus World Wide

- American University of Central Asia
- Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Cientificas (Spain)
- EWHA Womans University Library (Korea)
- Louisiana State University Libraries, Management University of Africa (Kenya)
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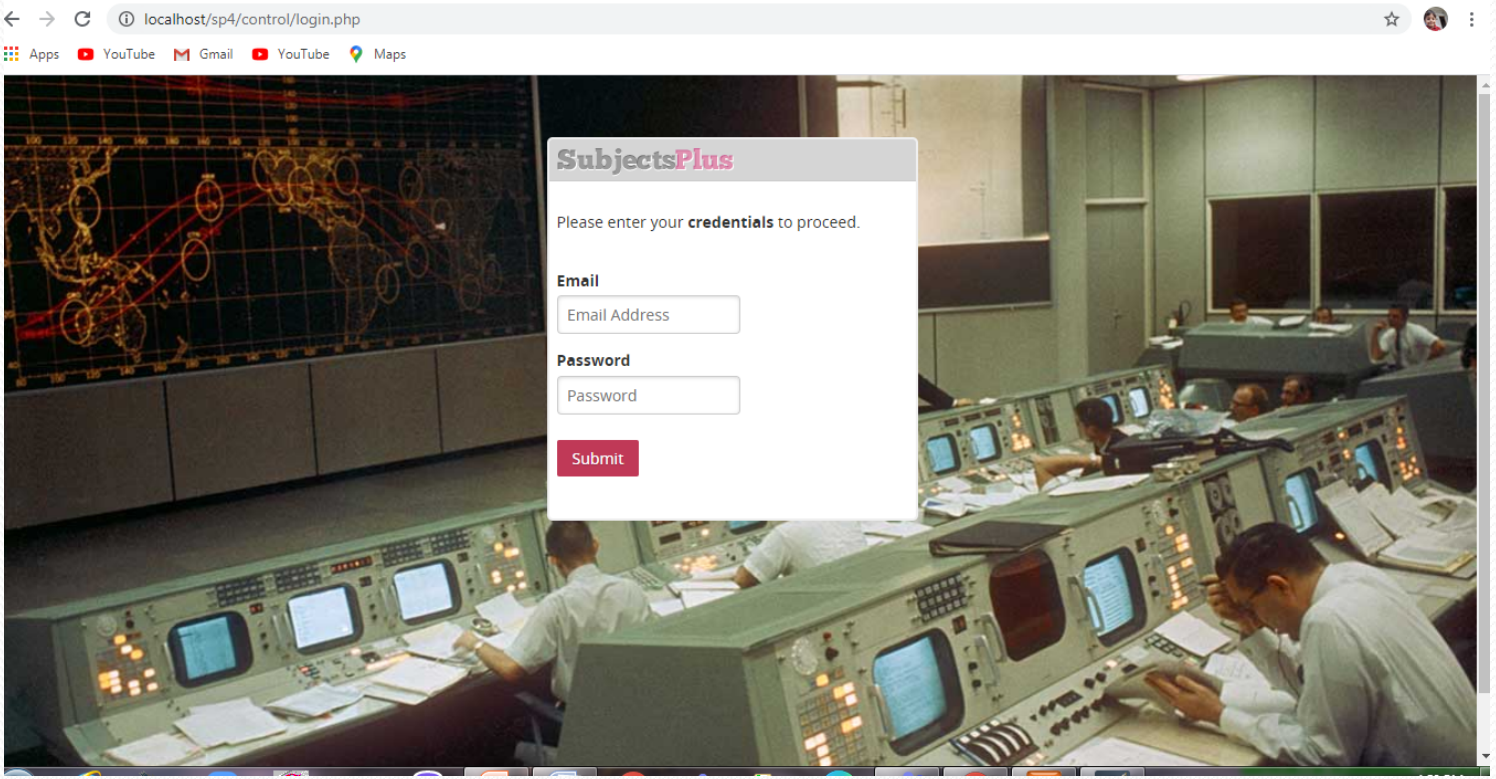
- India
  - Institute of Technology Gandhinagar,
  - Indian Statistical Institute (Delhi)
  - Pondicherry University Library (India)
- Nepal
  - Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal (CAAN)

SubjectsPlus- “Sign in”



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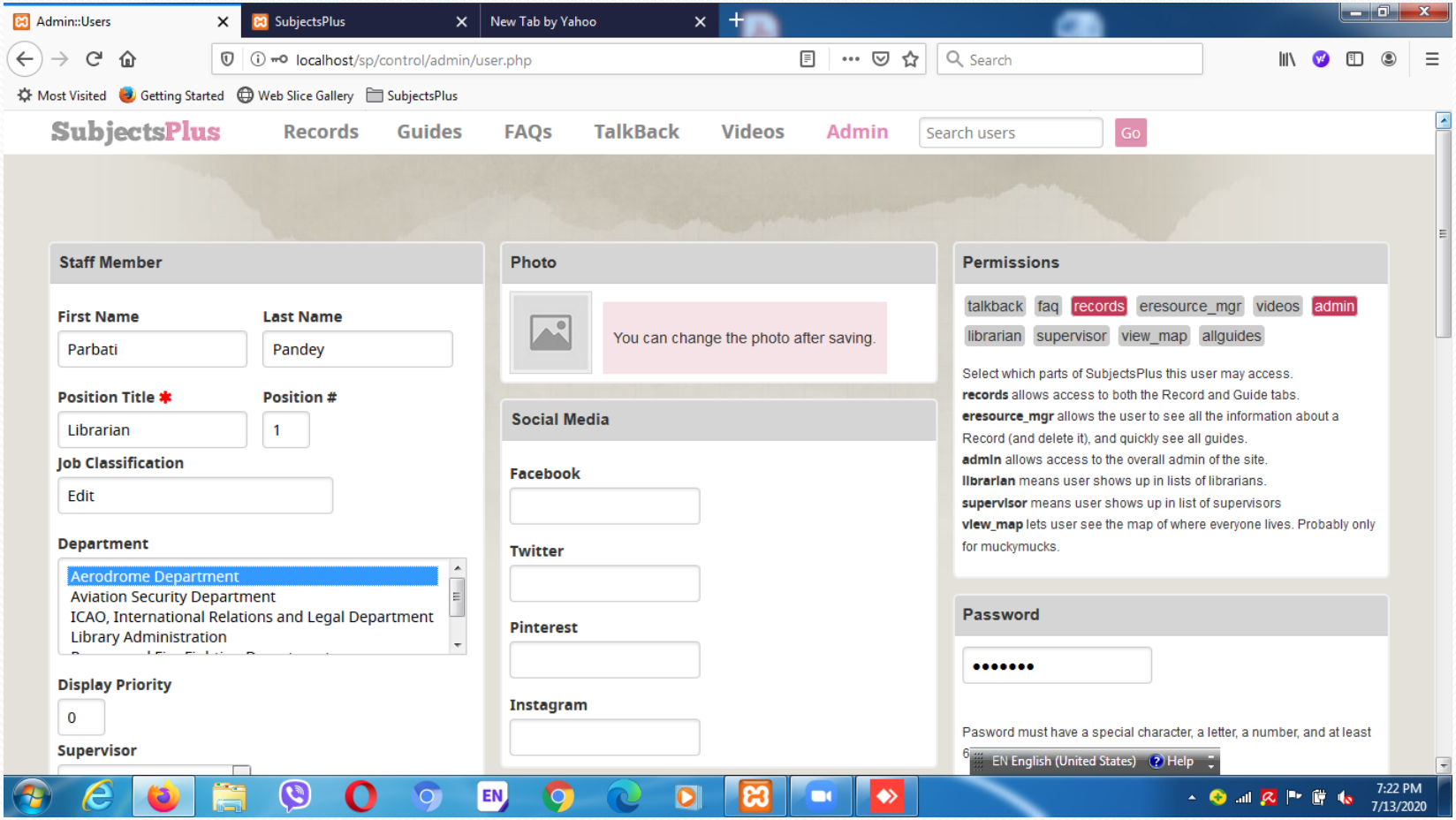

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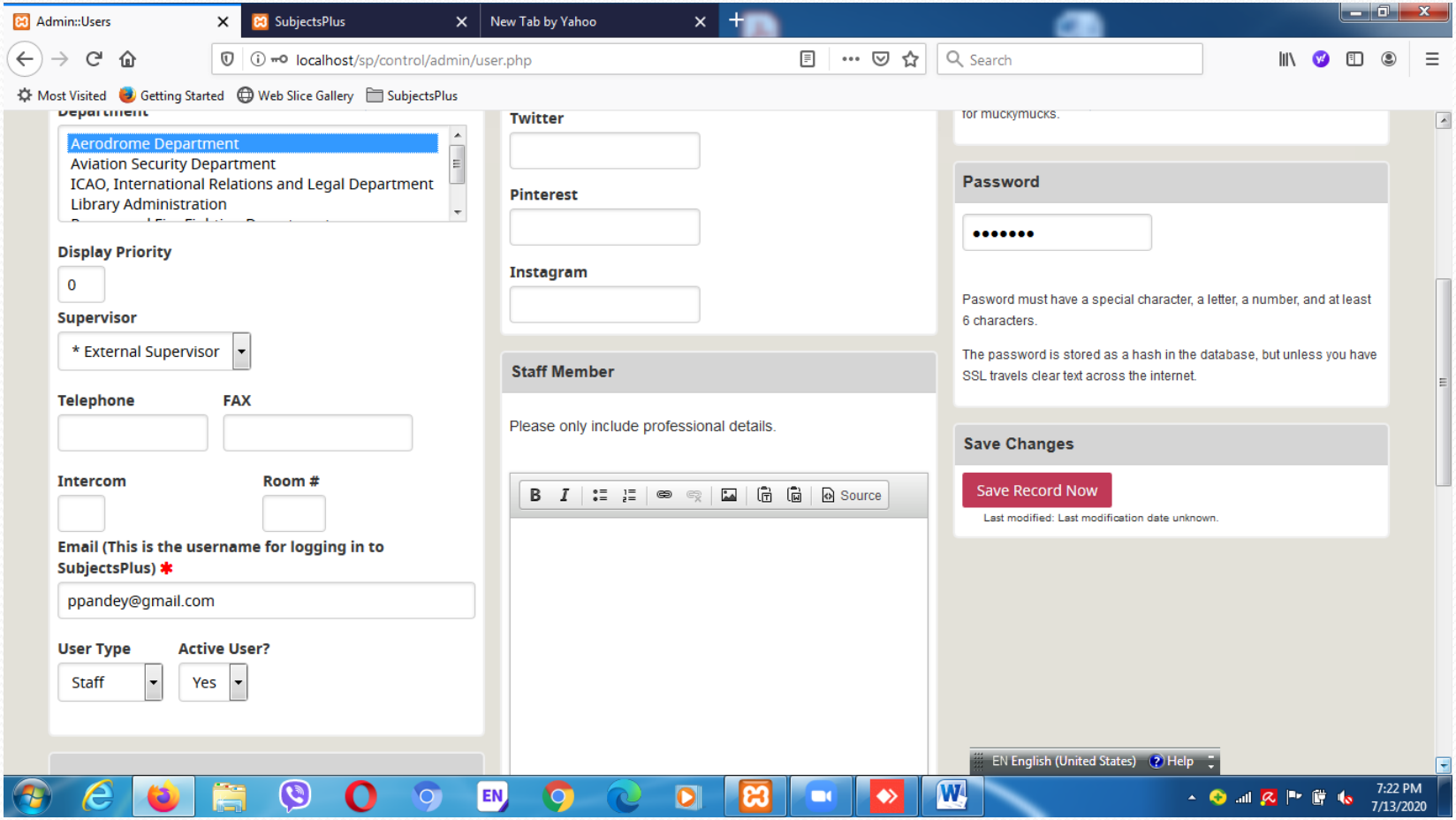

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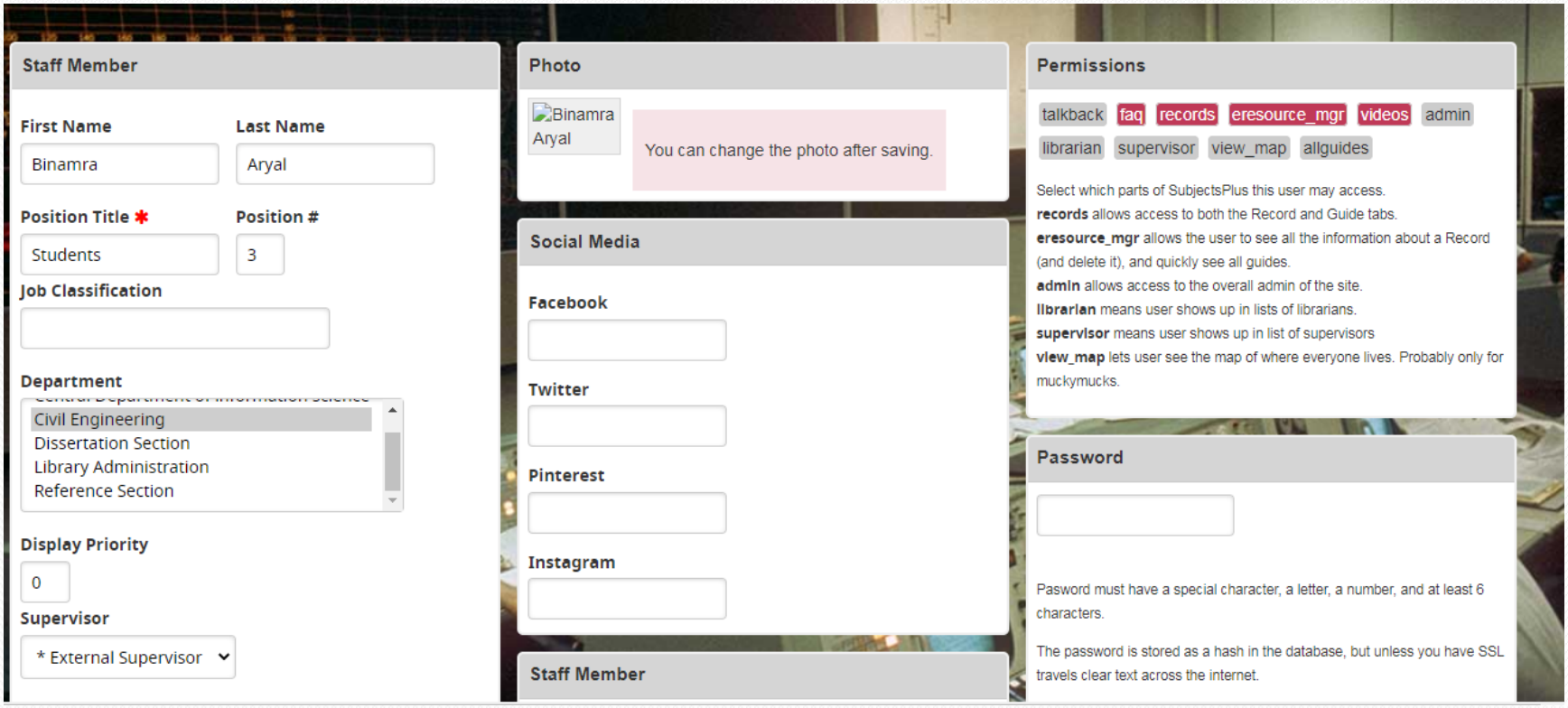
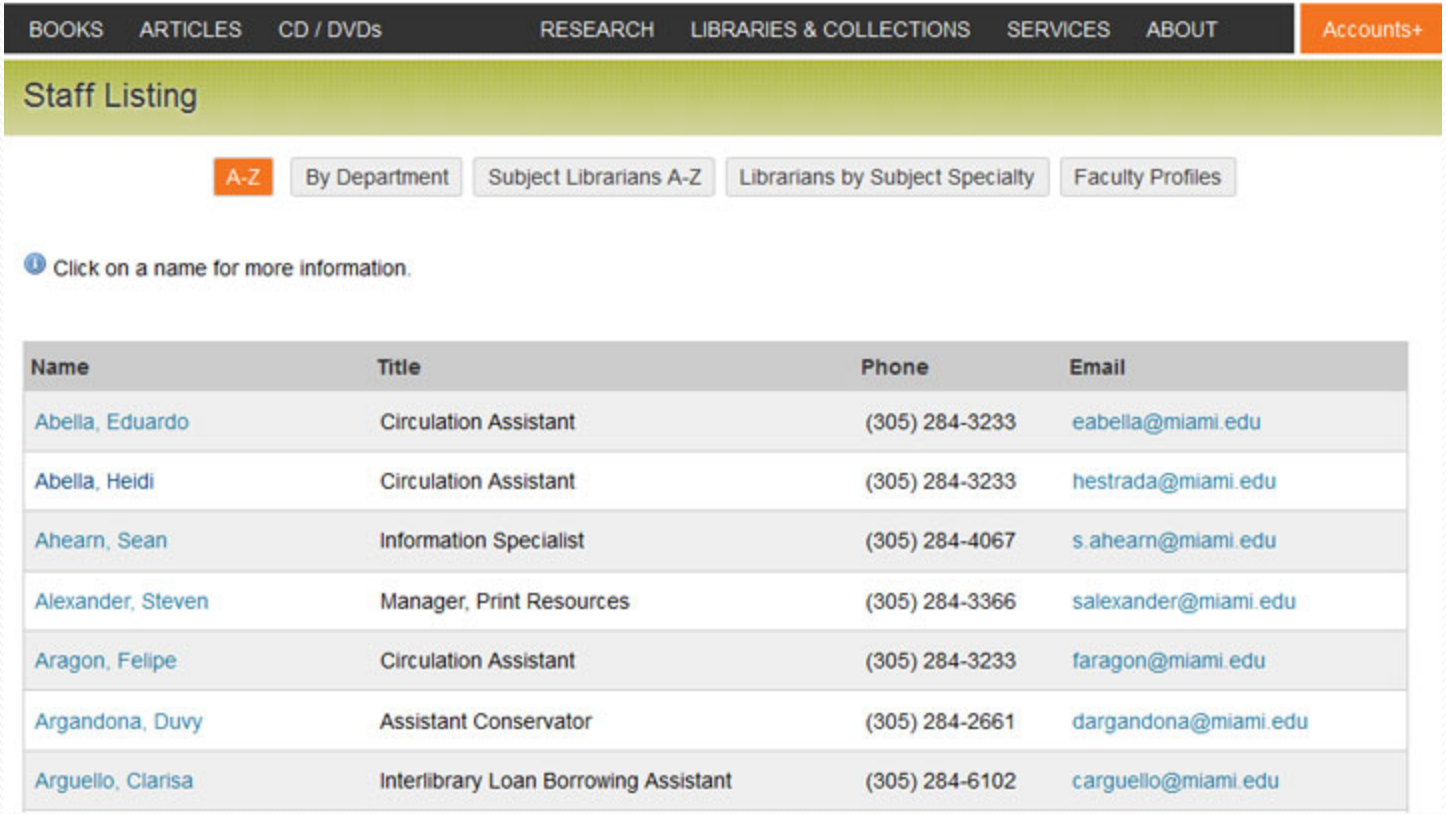


List of users



Name	Title	Phone	Email
Abella, Eduardo	Circulation Assistant	(305) 284-3233	eabella@miami.edu
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Ahearn, Sean	Information Specialist	(305) 284-4067	s.ahearn@miami.edu
Alexander, Steven	Manager, Print Resources	(305) 284-3366	salexander@miami.edu
Aragon, Felipe	Circulation Assistant	(305) 284-3233	faragon@miami.edu
Argandona, Duvy	Assistant Conservator	(305) 284-2661	dargandona@miami.edu
Arguello, Clarisa	Interlibrary Loan Borrowing Assistant	(305) 284-6102	carguello@miami.edu

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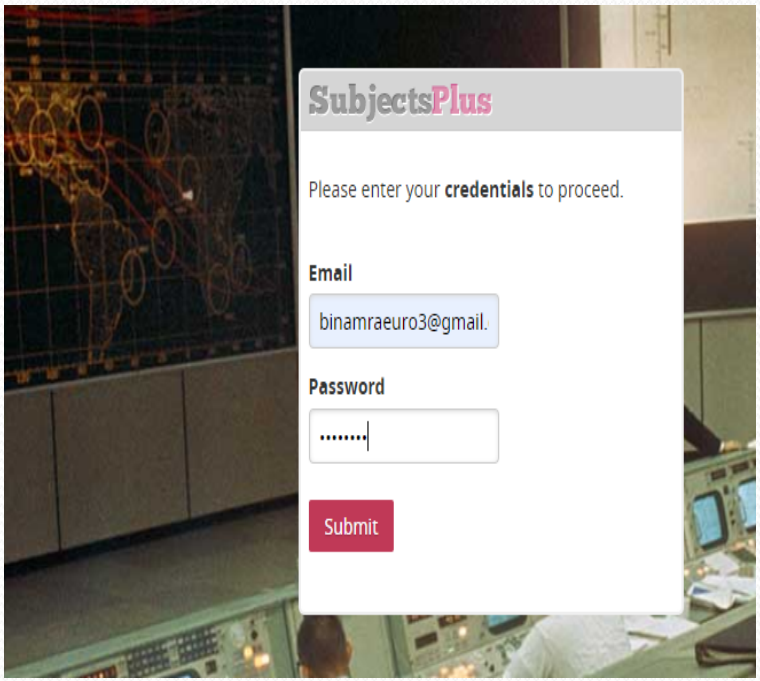
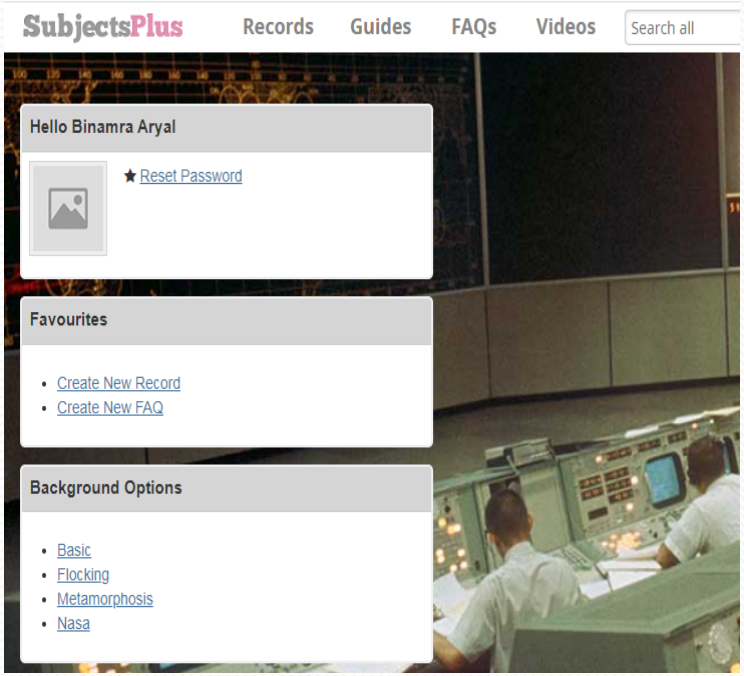
Sign in by users





Permission types…

- Admin -- user can get to the functionality of the admin tab.
- Librarian -- user will show up on librarian list
- Supervisor -- user will show up on dropdown of supervisors when adding a new user
- View_map -- user can see the disaster map.

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- Talkback -- user can respond to talk back submissions
- FAQ -- user can create/edit/delete FAQs. Only admins can create FAQ collections.
- Records -- user can add records AND create subject guides
- Eresource_mgr -- user can delete records from the Records form
- Videos -- user can add videos

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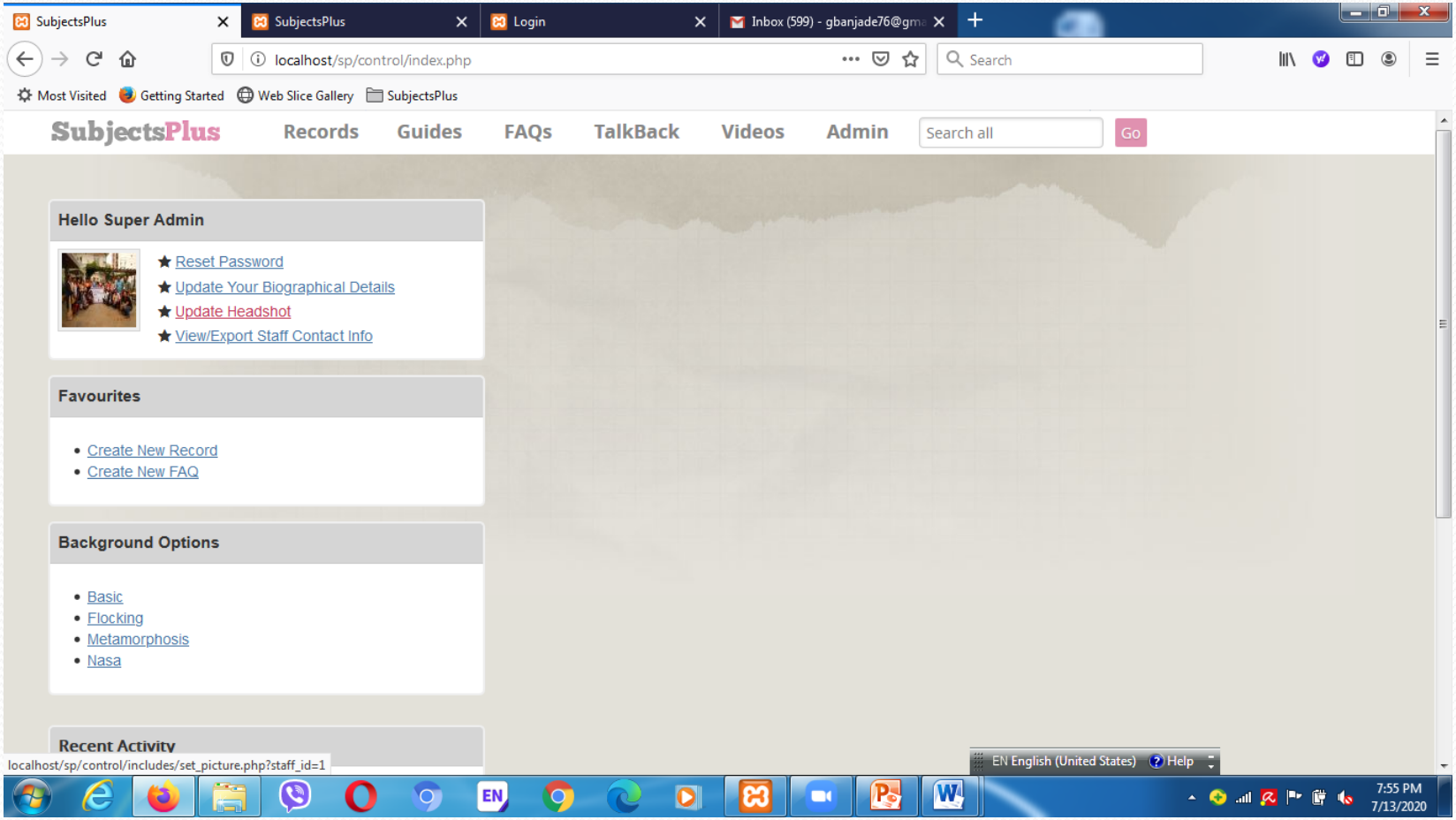

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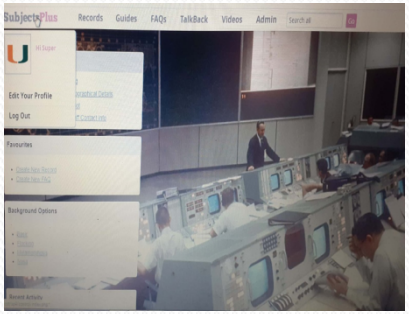
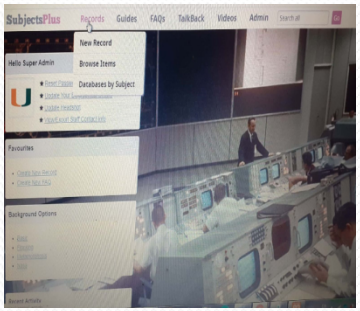
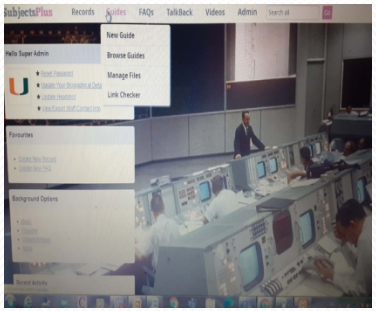
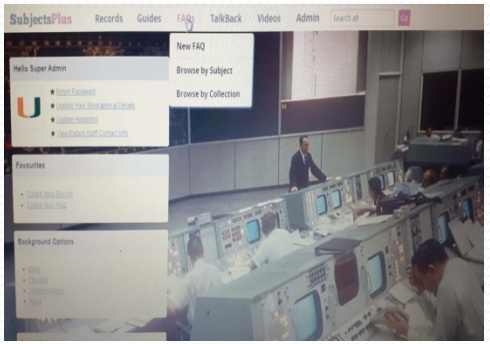
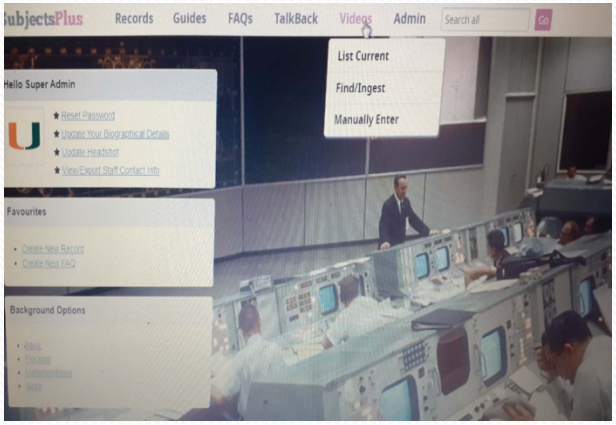
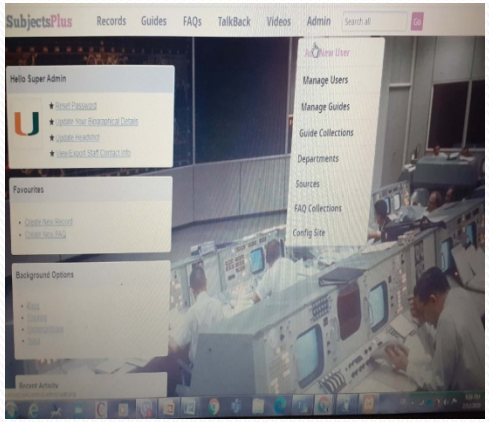


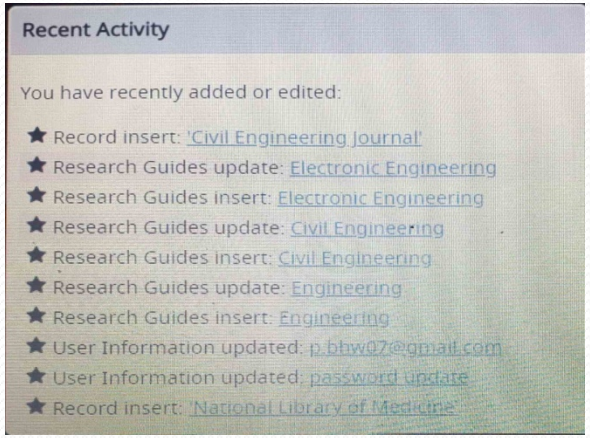




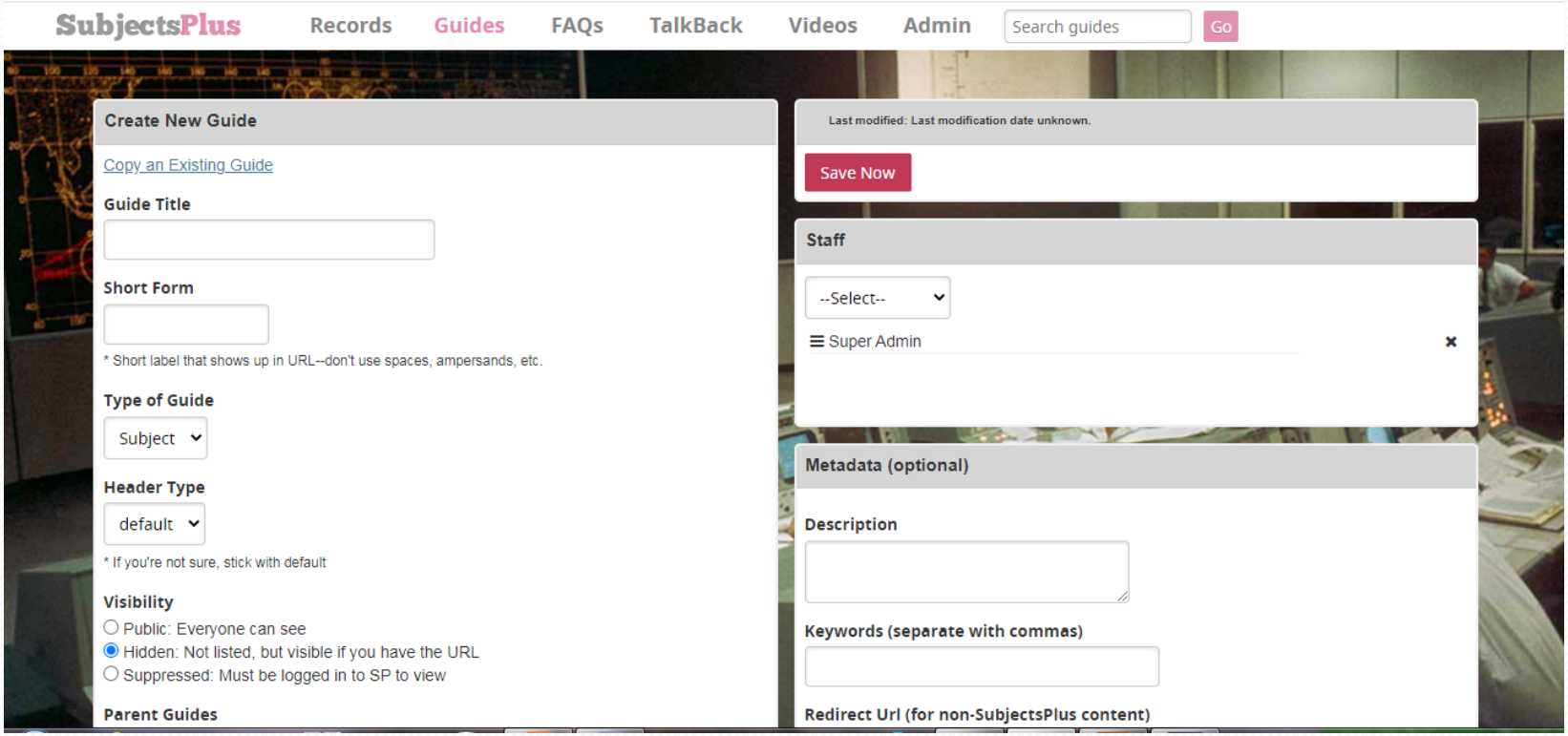




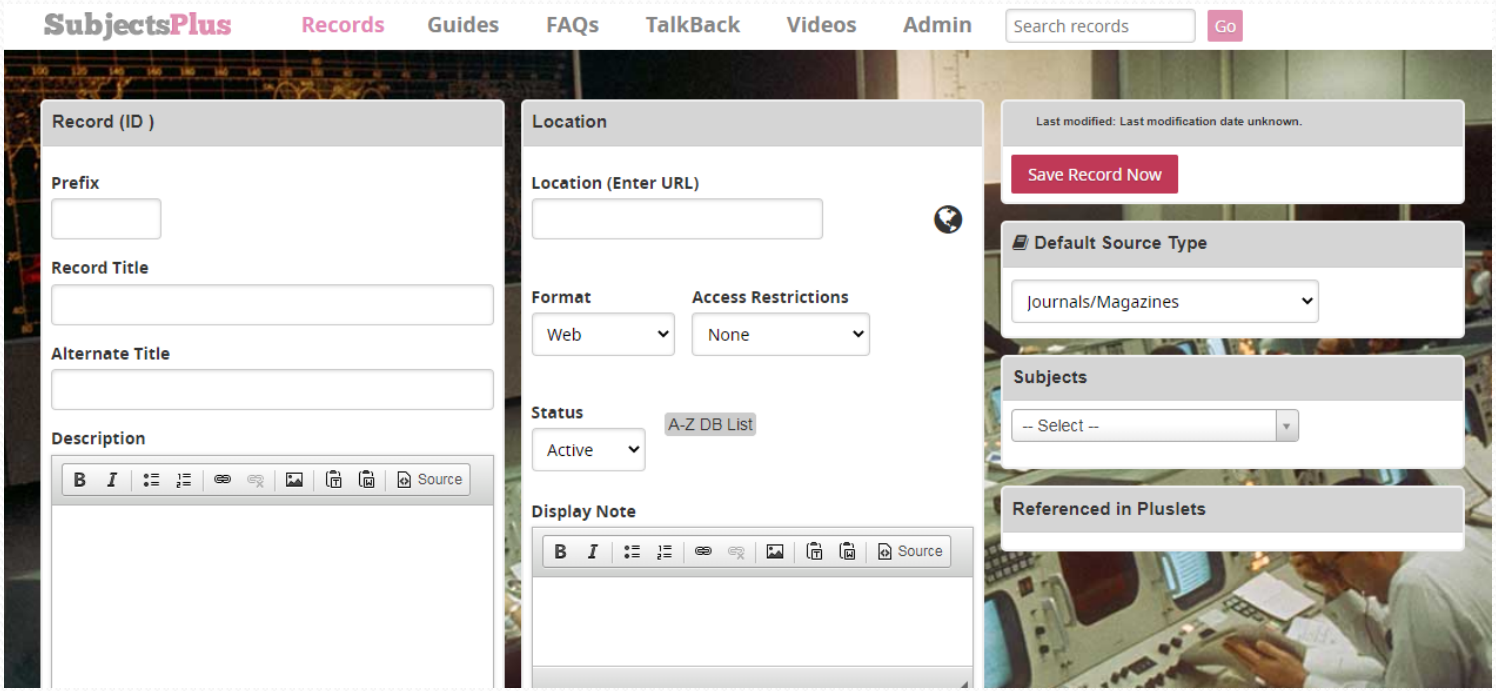




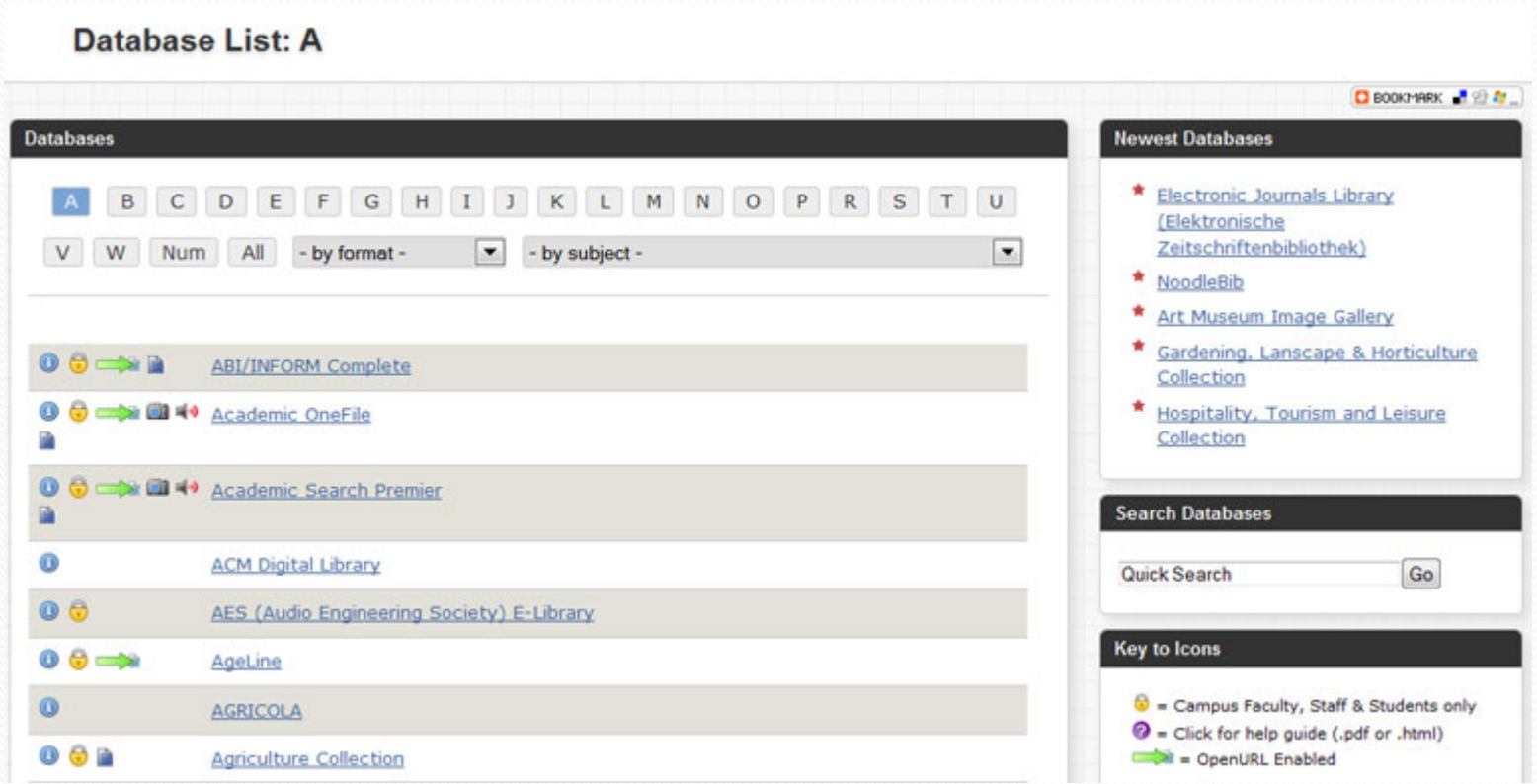
SubjectsPlus “Create new guide”



SubjectPlus “Create record”



Database List



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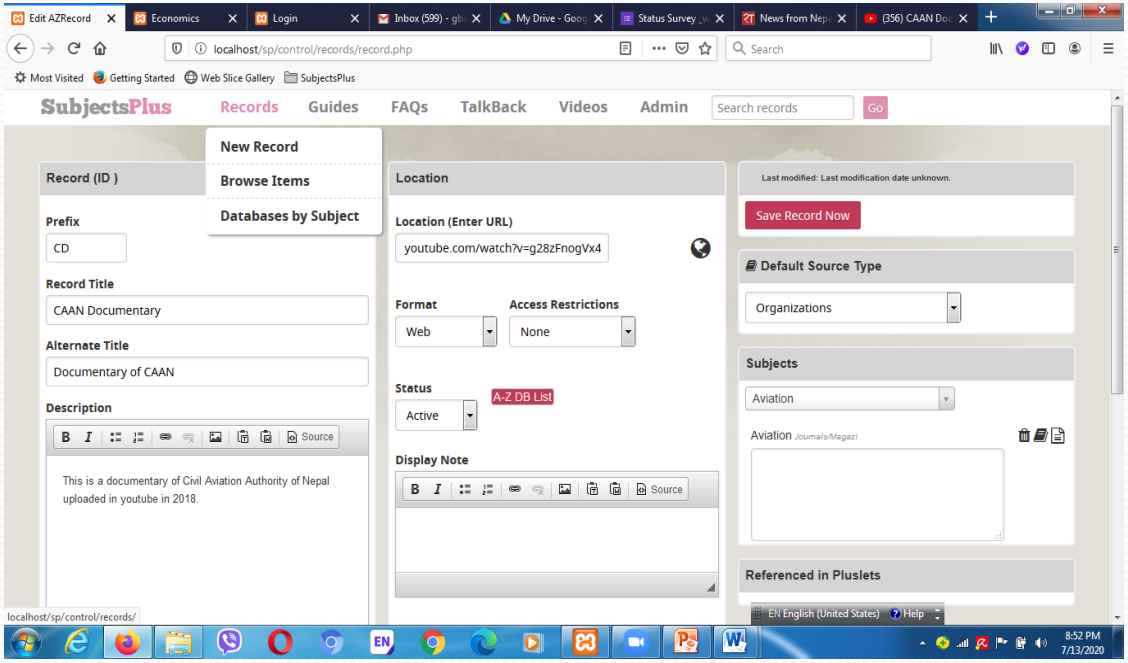
Creating Video Database

- Go to Record > New Record



Creating Video Database…

- Give the name of Record Title
- Type the Initials for prefix
- Give the url where your video file is.
- Activate A-Z DB list with red colour

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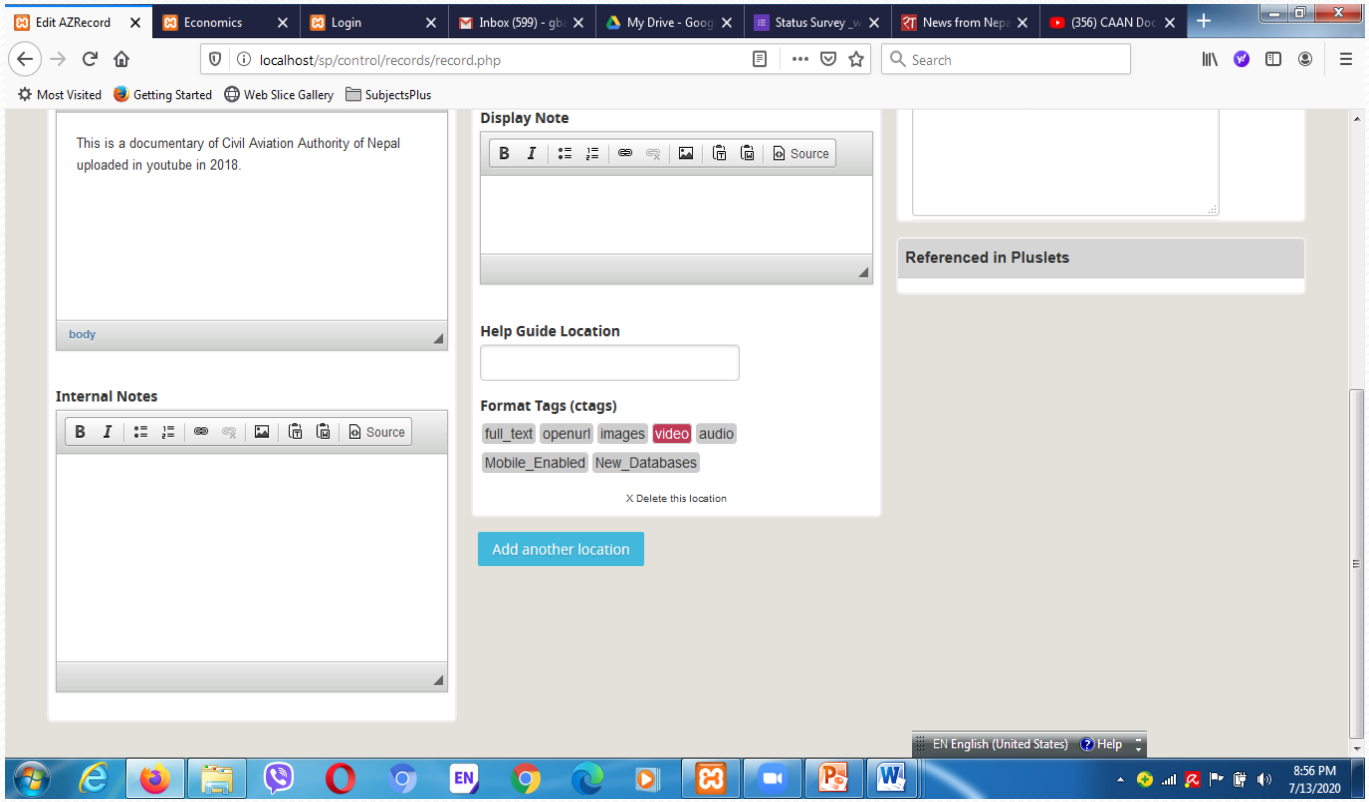
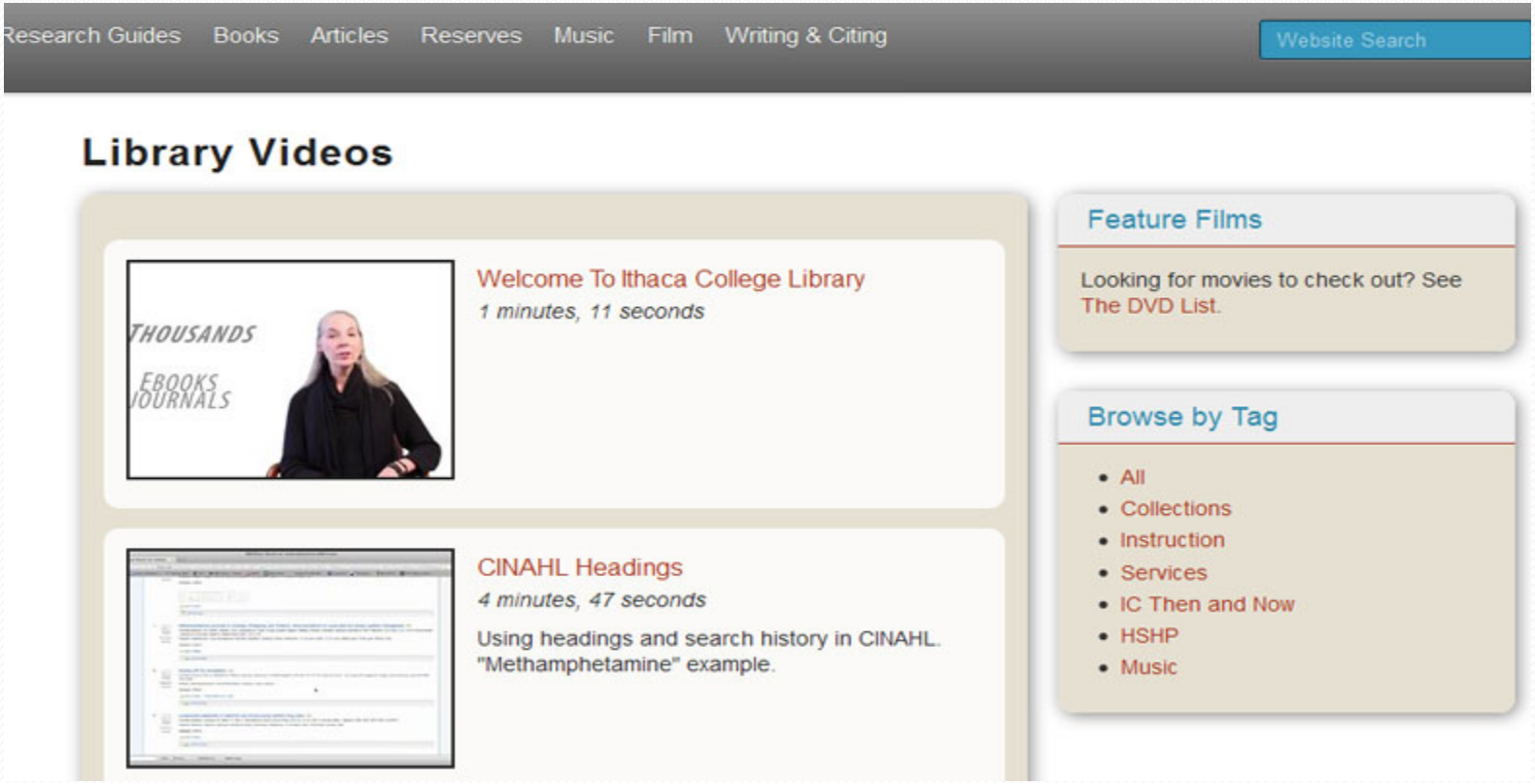


Click on Video and make it red

Choose the appropriate data type.

Manage Video Database



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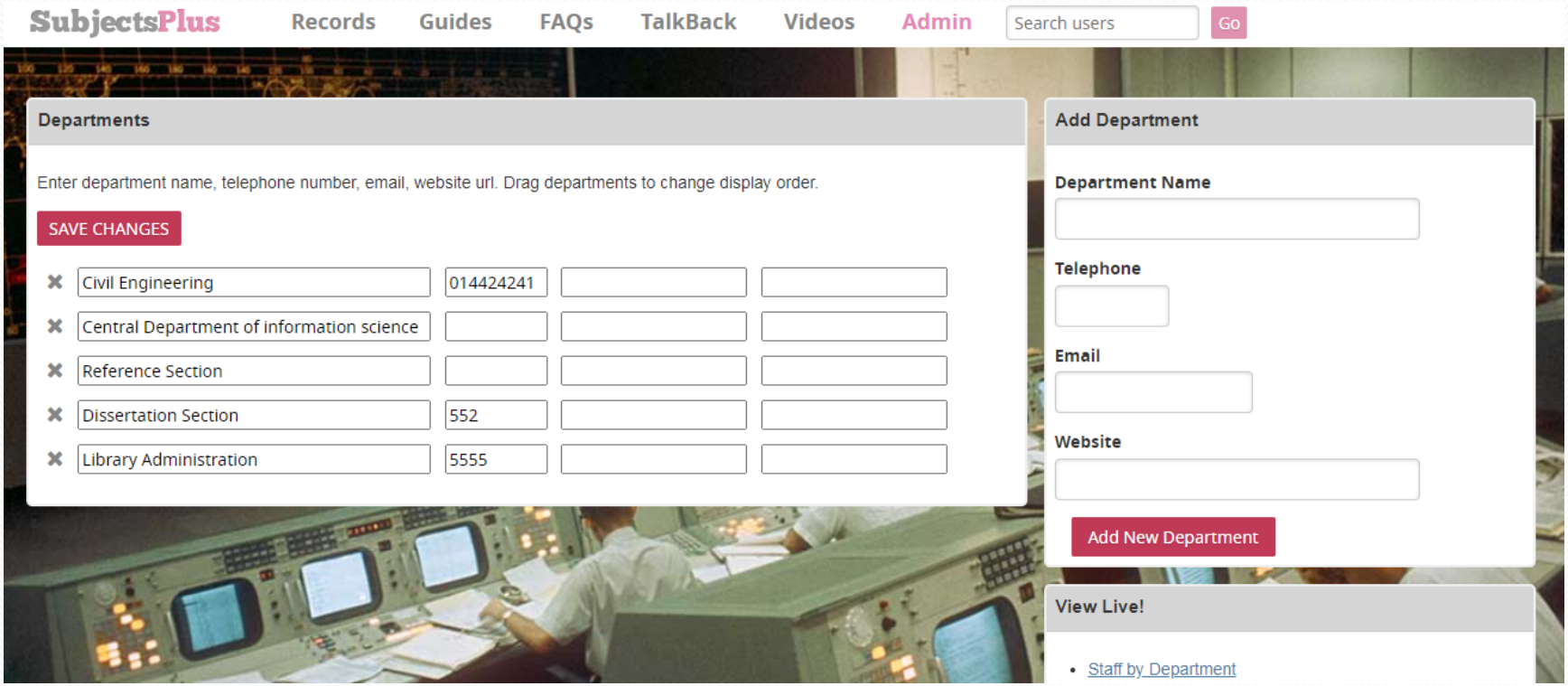
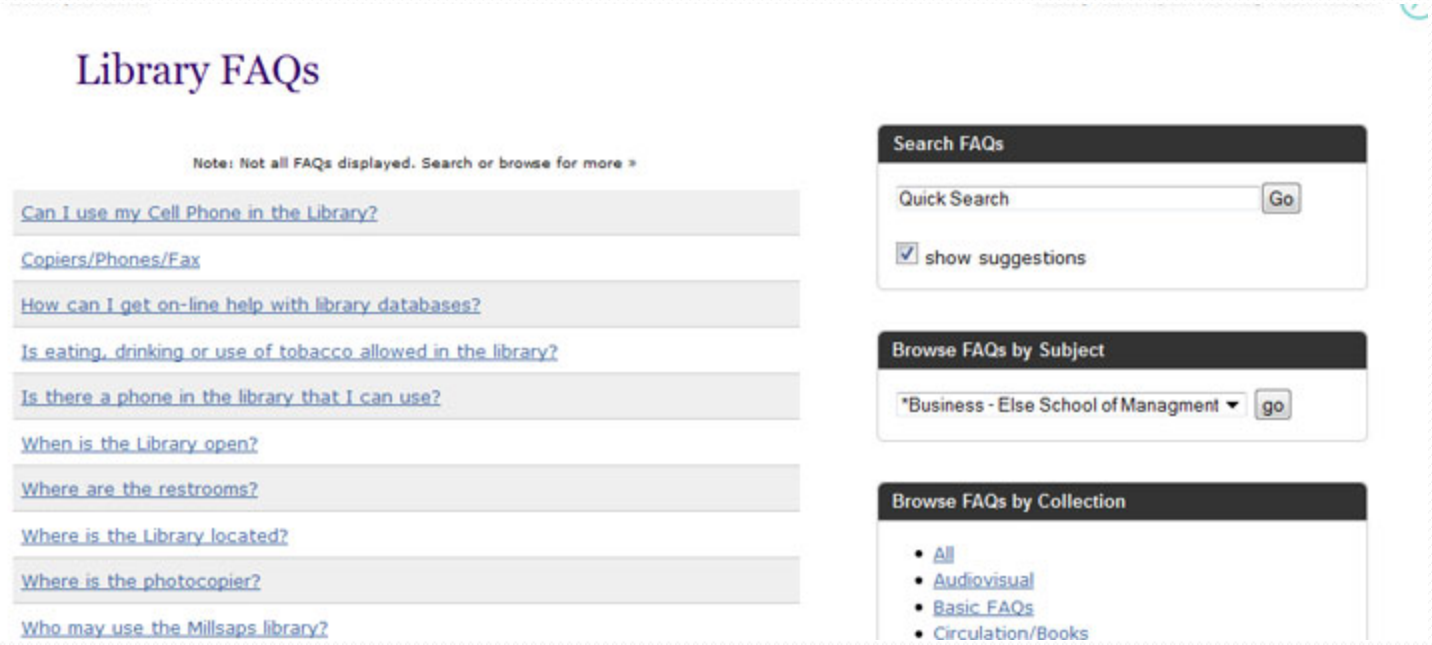
Add new Department



FAQs collections



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SubjectsPlus Course outline

- Components of SubjectsPlus
  - Subject Guide (Subject, Course, Topic)
  - Databases (A-Z list)
  - Staff
  - Video management
  - API
- System Overview
  - Records
  - Guides
  - Videos
  - Admin (add new user, manage users, manage guides…)
- Creating and Editing Guides

References

- https://www.subjectsplus.com/
- http://subjectsplus.com/wiki3/index.php?title=Using_the_Admin_Tab

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Thank You