Open Source Software Development at Villanova University

vufind

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VuFind is a discovery layer and search engine.
It is extremely customizable and capable of presenting
multiple data formats in a single user-friendly interface.
VuFind is currently supporting thousands of libraries,
museums, and archives world-wide.

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A community of collaborators

As the social and institutional implications of the networked digital information revolution come into sharper focus, it has become clearer that open source models reflect values at the heart of libraries and the academic community: knowledge sharing, collaboration and resource pooling. By investing in open source projects, such as VuFind, libraries benefit by tapping into a broadly participative, communicative, self-refining communities creating projects with the goal of serving the common good.

In that spirit, VuFind has been released as open source software, under the GNU General Public License (GPL). We hope that development within diverse communities will strengthen and expand the capabilities of library software in order to meet the broad needs of our patrons. We encourage thinkers, tinkerers, hackers and professional programmers to make suggestions, modify, improve and contribute to VuFind and other open source projects in order to create viable solutions for libraries of all sizes.

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Search with Faceted Results:
Start a search with a simple query and refine the results with faceted categories.

Live Record Status and Location
See live status and location of library resources directly in the search results.

Similar Resource Suggestions
Algorithmically generated suggestions for similar items are available on the record page.

Browse for Resources
Discover hidden gems by browsing a broad or specific set of library holdings.

Save Resources to Organized Lists
Save, organize and retrieve records from any computer just by logging in.

Easy to Localize and Brand
A simple templating system allows institutions to quickly customize the interface.

Author Biographies
Learn more about and view all of the holdings by an author just by clicking their name.

Persistent URLs
The URLs never change so your bookmarks always work.

OAI Syndication
Libraries can share their records with other institutions via the built-in OAI server.

No On-going Support Fees
Invest by using: invest by sharing.

Try the demo at:
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VuFind is developed and maintained at Villanova University's Falvey Memorial Library.

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