

Link to eReserves Content Within Spark

Why use eReserves?

1. You get help with the scanning and uploading of documents.
2. The library staff will help procure copyright protection.

You can create links to the Library's eReserves system from SPARK. These links can lead to the list of documents for your course or to specific documents within the list. This allows students to access content directly from SPARK without entering additional passwords.

Step 1: Add Content to Your eReserves Account

Contact the Library eReserves staff to set up an account for your course and request the material that you wish to make accessible to your students:

On the Web at <http://www.library.umass.edu/services/reserves/>

By phone at (413) 545-6875 or via email to ereserves@library.umass.edu

Step 2: Obtain the URL for Your eReserves List

1. Open your Web browser and visit the Library's eReserves page: <http://ereserves.library.umass.edu/>
2. On the eReserves Home page, click the **Electronic Reserves & Reserves Pages** link (top left). The *eReserves Index* screen will open.
3. On the *eReserves Index* screen, use the *Search* field to find your eReserves course page, on the search results, click the **Course Title** for your course. You will be prompted for the course's eReserves password. The *Course Reserves Page* for your course will open.
4. On the *Course Reserves Page* for your course, click the **Course Info** tab. The URL for your course's eReserves document list is located next to "Persistent URL". You can use this URL to create a hyperlink to your *eReserves Course Page* in SPARK.

Link to Specific Documents in eReserves from SPARK

If you wish to create links to specific documents on your eReserves list from within a page or a content module in SPARK, contact the eReserves staff so they can provide you with a list of exact URLs for each document. These URLs will allow you to link to documents directly from SPARK.

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Ereserves Home > Ereserves Index > Course Reserves Page Main Menu | Logout | Help Pages | Help Videos

CRYPTO101 - Intro to Cryptozoology (Fall 2007) - Acco

Course Info | Documents | Page Management

Course Number: CRYPTO101
 Course Name: Intro to Cryptozoology
 Section Number:
 Term & Year: Fall 2007
 Instructors: Acco
 Assistants:
 Crosslistings:
 Courseware Link:
 Persistent URL: <http://ereserves.library.umass.edu/eres/coursepage.aspx?cid=1711>
 RSS Feed: <http://ereserves.library.umass.edu/eres/rss.aspx?cid=1711>
 Description:
 Email Alerts: If you would like to be notified when the content of this Course Reserves Page changes please sign up for Email Alerts.

This is the URL for your eReserves Course Page. Remember to add an "s" to "http" so it reads "https"

Step 3: Create a Link in SPARK

1. Open your Web browser and log in to your SPARK course.
2. On your course *Home Page*, click **Add Content Link** and select *Web Link*, then click **Create Web Link** from the drop down menu. The *Create Web Link* screen will open.
3. On the *Create Web Link* screen, enter the necessary information for your link then, in the *URL* field, copy/paste the *Persistent URL* address for your *eReserves Course Page*. You are not finished yet; for the link to work, you must add an "s" to the "http" part of the address so it reads "https" (the "s" indicates a secure connection).
4. Once you have properly formatted the URL, click **Save**. This will create the link between your SPARK course and your eReserves document list.

eReserves Icon in SPARK

There is a special library icon in the SPARK content repository that you can use to identify your link to eReserves. To use it, click the **ActionLinks** menu next to your eReserves link, select **Customize Link**, then click **Replace Icon**. The SPARK content browser will open. Go to **Repository > UMass Amherst Campus Courses > Icons**, where the library icon is located. Check the **radio button** next to the *library icon filename* and click **OK** (at bottom). **Save** your changes on the *Link Settings* screen to update the look of your icon on the course *Home page*.