

# Archival Material, Manuscripts, and Archival Material/Manuscripts: Making More Sense of Resource Types in Primo VE

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# Agenda

- History of the project
- What are resource types?
- Changes we have made
- Future steps: Secondary resource types

# UTL: Large, Complex and Diverse

- Very large Canadian Academic Library
- 40 libraries across 3+ campuses, a hospital consortium and other affiliated libraries
- Large variation in size (some libraries with 1 staff member, one with more than 100 staff)
- Some centrally managed, some federated, some fully independent

# History of the project

- Working group of the Discovery Team, with support from the Metadata Management Team and archivists
- Looking at resource type issues that confuse staff and users, beginning with a complaint about Government Documents in CDI addressed by Susan at IGeLU Conference 2023
- After solving that, we decided we needed a full working group to look at other resource types

# What is a Primo Resource Type?

## Show Only ^

- Free to Read
- Peer-reviewed Articles
- Online
- Physical Copy

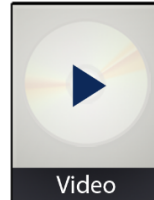
## Format ^

- Articles (18,695)
- Book Chapters (9,709)
- Magazine Articles (8,707)
- Newsletter Articles (7,694)
- Books** (6,216)

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**VIDEO**

Hamlet

California : Nelson Entertainment; 1990

[Available Online >](#)

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**VIDEO**

Hamlet

Burbank, CA. : Warner Home Video; 2004

[Available at Roberts Library Audio Visual Storage \(VideoDVD 753122SI other locations >](#)

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**BOOK**

Hamlet

London, England : Bloomsbury Arden Shakespeare; 2012

[Available Online >](#)

# What is a Primo Resource Type?

- Does not correspond to Alma fields (Bibliographic Material Type, Item Material Type, Resource Type, etc.)
- Conflates different kinds of information (Content Type and Material Type)
- For titles coming from Alma, ranked list (i.e. title displays as first Resource Type for which it matches the criteria)
- Mapping to the Display, Facets, and Search Sections in the Primo VE Record

Alma only	Could be either!	CDI only
Archival material	Article	Book Review
Collection	Audio	Computer file
Game	Book	Dataset
Kit	Book Chapter	Digitized Primary Sources
Manuscript	Conference Proceeding	Legal Document
Model	Database	Magazine
Object	Dissertations	Magazine Article
Technology	Government Document	Microform
Toy	Image	Newsletter Article
Website	Journal	Patent
	Map	Questionnaire
	Newspaper	Reference Entry
	Newspaper Article	Report
	Other	Web Resource
	Score	
	Standard	
	Text resource	
	Video	

# Government Documents and Standards

- Both were Resource types for CDI but not Alma
- Added a local resource type that matched the code for the CDI type
- For standard used standard MARC code (008(24) = u)
- For Government Documents just added a local 9xx - 903 field (Susan [presented on the reason for this at last year's IGeLU](#))
- **This change allows users to find our local material when using the advanced search or facets**



# Archival Materials/Manuscripts and Archival Materials and Manuscripts

- Confusing labels
- CDI now: Digitized Primary Sources
- Alma now: Archival Material --> Archives at U of T (coming soon)
  - Still needs some cleanup by an archivist
- Alma now: Manuscripts = Manuscripts

# Realia

- This is not a user-friendly term! Library Jargon
  - Changed the label to **Objects**
- Based on request from our Education library, carved out some additional Resource Types: Games, Toys, and Models

TOY

LEGO medium creative brick box 10696.

Enfield, Connecticut : The LEGO Group; 2015

 Available at U of T Scarborough Library Makerspace (LEGO Classic 1) >

# Technology

- Many of our libraries use Alma to circulate things like laptops and headphones
- Working group established norms for description of technology

300	\$\$a 1 USB-C laptop charger
380	\$\$a AC adapter \$\$2 wikidata
500	\$\$a Record generated for circulation purposes only.
903	\$\$b laptop
	Battery chargers (cell phone charger, laptop or tablet charger, rechargeable battery charger, power adapters for devices)
	Laptop computers (laptop)

# Secondary Resource Types

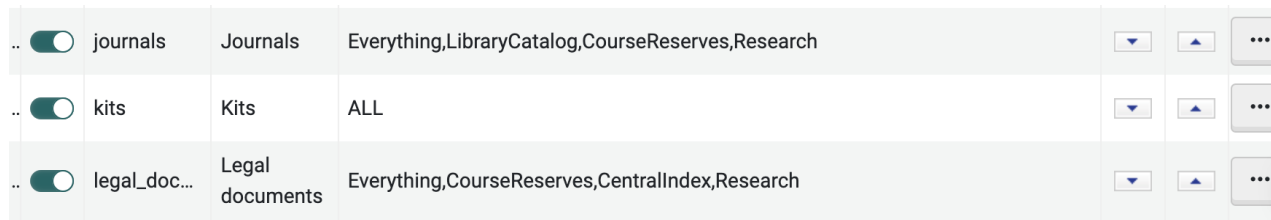
- To improve access to complex resource types by allowing users to facet more specifically by the resource format

Primary Resource Type	Secondary Resource Type
DVD	Video
Blu-ray	Video
LP	Audio
Streaming audio	Audio

- Future secondary resource types: Technology, Microforms

# Letting Users Search by Resource Type

- You can manually add your resource types to the advanced search dropdown under view configuration/Advanced Search Configuration



The screenshot shows a configuration table with three rows. Each row has a toggle switch, a resource type name, a label, a list of search locations, and three control buttons (down arrow, up arrow, and menu).

.. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	journals	Journals	Everything,LibraryCatalog,CourseReserves,Research	▼	▲	⋮
.. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	kits	Kits	ALL	▼	▲	⋮
.. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	legal_doc...	Legal documents	Everything,CourseReserves,CentralIndex,Research	▼	▲	⋮

- Can make the same dropdown list available in basic search
- To add a smaller selection, can use Resource Types Filters bar (under view configuration/Brief Results)

# Things to keep in mind

- Any resource types you add (or modify!) will outrank all the OTB types (other than databases, I think)
- Identify records with inaccurate coding that will be captured by your new type before your change (Analytics/indication rules/MarcEdit)
- Users don't know about difference between Alma and CDI
- Analytic that can show the Primo resource types:  
/shared/Community/Reports/Institutions/University of Toronto/Primo Resource Types/Primo Out of the Box Material Types

# Helpful links

- [MARC21 and KORMARC resource type mapping](#)
- [Resource types in CDI](#)
- [Configuring resource types for Primo VE](#)
- [Configuring secondary resource types for Primo VE](#)
- [Susan's presentation from IGeLU 2023 on government documents](#)
- [Configuring the resource type dropdown](#)

# Questions?

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