



**Deanship of Library Affairs**

# **SDL USER GUIDE**

## Saudi Digital Library

Saudi Digital Library (SDL) is the largest academic gathering of information resources in the Arab world. The library currently contains more than (446) thousand full-text digital books, (169) global data-bases that include the full texts of millions of academic articles, and more than (5,200,000) millions of university dissertations, and (461) thousand multimedia that includes scientific pictures and films in various scientific and academic disciplines.

### Importance of the Saudi Digital Library

- Supporting university education systems and servicing members of Saudi universities through providing information resources and services.
- Offering a unified access to the Digital Library, and making the service accessible for all users.
- Saving the physical space of the Library, because of the transformation to the digital content.
- Saving the efforts exerted by faculty staff, researchers and others when searching for information, by accessing the required information on the digital environment.
- Accessing information resources and unlimited information usage.
- Simplicity in using the electronic resources, with search abilities that enables the users to locate information very quickly.
- Providing electronic reference service.
- Availability of the full text of the electronic books, form any place at any time, and the ability to search in some or all of the available resources.
- Permanent possession of the electronic information resources that have been acquired, and the ability to download favorite books from the Library or anyplace else.

## Who are the publishers?

Saudi Digital Library was able to contract with more than 300 global publishers in various knowledge fields, the publishers differ in regards of:

### 1 Field coverage:

Some publishers cover all fields, some cover the medicine field, some cover the field of mathematics, others cover the field of chemistry, and so on.

### 2 Text coverage:

Some publishers cover the whole text, a part of the text, or a number of certain pages.

### 3 Time coverage:

Publishers differ in the covered years; some have stopped publishing others keep updating their content.

### 4 Covered receptacles:

Publishers differ in the covered receptacles; the content of some publishers are books and journals, others cover journals, dissertations, and conference papers.

### 5 Provided services:

Some publishers provide various features such as downloading, cut and paste in a word file, commenting on the source information, high lighting, creating certain notes, ongoing briefings, and reference service.



## Saudi Digital Library's Courses

### ① Internal courses:

Saudi Digital Library in cooperation with the Deanship of Library Affairs in various universities hosts live courses in agreement with the publishers, the courses are held each semester to announce the available databases in the Saudi Digital Library and how to use it.

### ② External courses:

It includes free electronic courses (online) that could be attended in case the trainee could not attend the internal courses, it offers the trainee the ability to attend the courses anywhere. The course attendance certificate will be sent to the trainee on his/her email

## Instructions to access the Saudi Digital Library

- You can login to the Saudi Digital Library through Internet Explorer browser or Google Chrome browser as both upload fast and the login page opens properly on both browsers.
- The student's status must be regular, and shall not be graduated or dismissed.
- In case a teaching staff member has a scholarship abroad, his/her login data inside the Kingdom will be disabled and he/she shall receive login information to the Saudi Digital Library from the embassy.
- When a student rejoins a university or a teaching staff member returns from the scholarship, their data must be updated in the Deanship of Information Technology to access the Saudi Digital Library.

## How to access the Saudi Digital Library

At the beginning of the year 1436 H, the Saudi Digital Library was linked with Taif University and you can access the Saudi Digital Library directly by opening Taif University's website and clicking on the electronic service icon then choose the Saudi Digital Library icon.

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The screenshot shows the Taif University website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the university logo and name in Arabic and English, and several menu items: 'About University', 'University Administration', 'Deanships', 'Colleges', and 'Electronic Services'. The 'Electronic Services' menu is highlighted with a red box. Below this, a dropdown menu is visible, listing various services. A red arrow points from the 'Electronic Services' menu to the 'SAUDI DIGITAL LIBRARY' option in the dropdown. Other services listed include 'ADMINISTRATION SYSTEMS SERVICES', 'SUPPORT SYSTEMS FOR HEALTH SERVICES', 'UNIFIED GATE', and 'USERS GUIDS'. The bottom of the page features a dark banner with links for 'News and Events', 'Photos and Videos', and 'Arab Poetry Academy'.

## Login page

After clicking on the Saudi Digital Library icon, the login page will appear to enter the username which is the university number for students or the associated number of the teaching staff member or the employee of the university, then enter the password which is the civil identification number for Saudis and Iqama number for non-Saudis.





## Saudi Digital Library search service

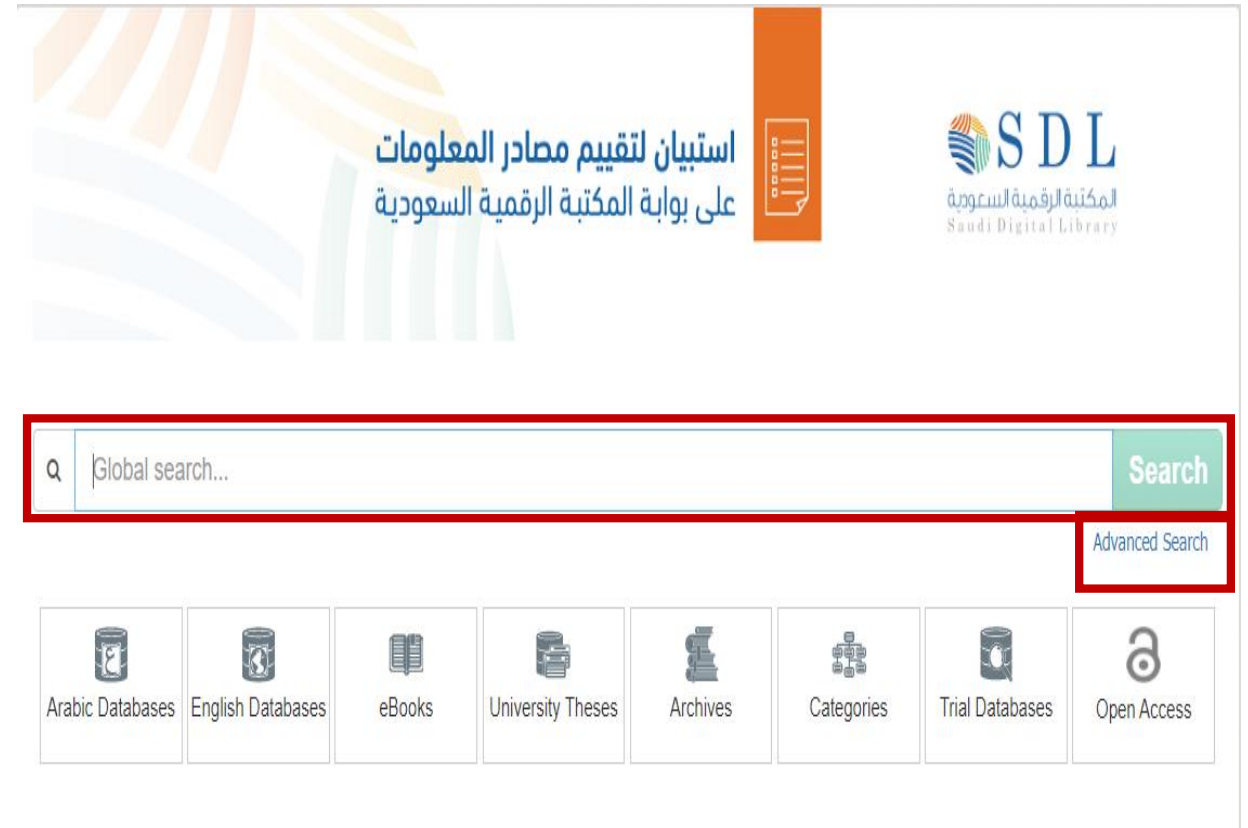
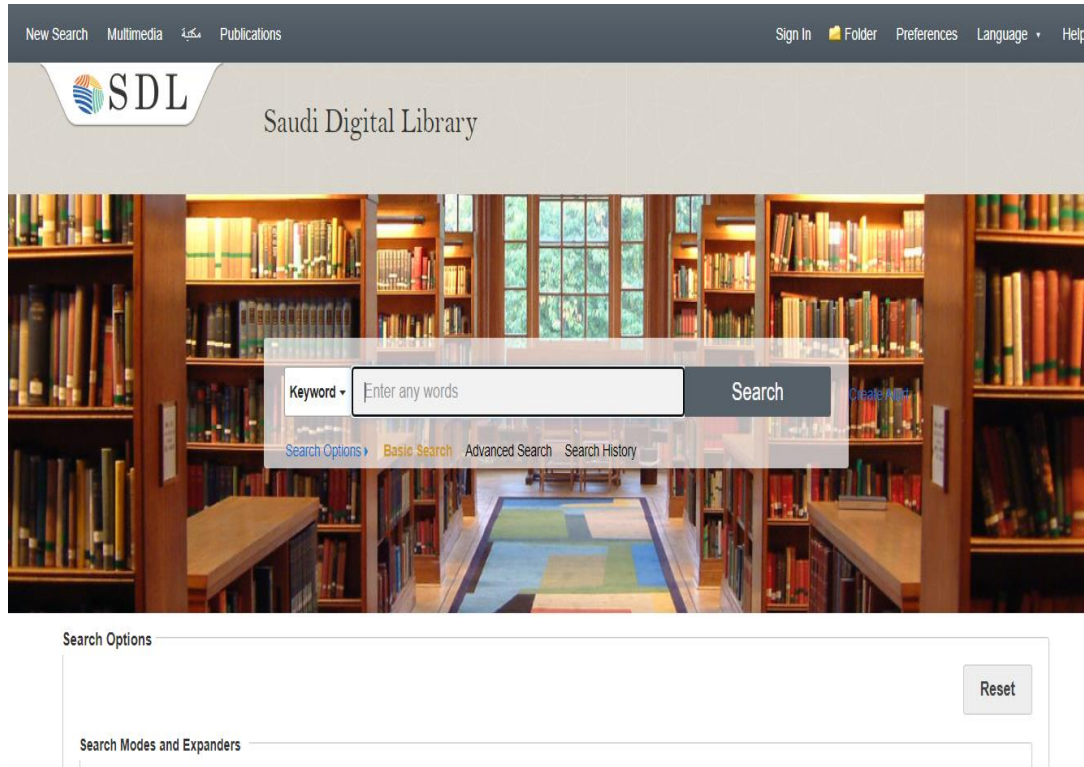
You can search through the home page of the Saudi Digital Library by two means:

### ① Unified search:

You can search using the main words of your subject then click on the search icon, a list of links related to your search words will appear then you can access the information resources inside the publisher's gate.

### ② Advanced search:

The advanced search provides a detailed search that includes a number of choices such as: search terms, author, address, ISBN, publishing information, folder, subject, display options, excluded results, and exact match.





## Databases classification

Databases will appear on the home page of the Saudi Digital Library in this way and it will be classified into two sections:

### ① Type classification

- Arabic databases: include a list of Arabic content databases and a list of subscribing publishers.
- English databases: include a list of English content databases and a list of subscribing publishers.
- E-books: include a list of all electronic books and a list of subscribing publishers.
- University theses: include a list of scientific theses, a list of the publishers, and the subscribed culture attaché.
- Archives: include old content for some publishers and it is considered the main reference of the database.

### ② Categories classification:

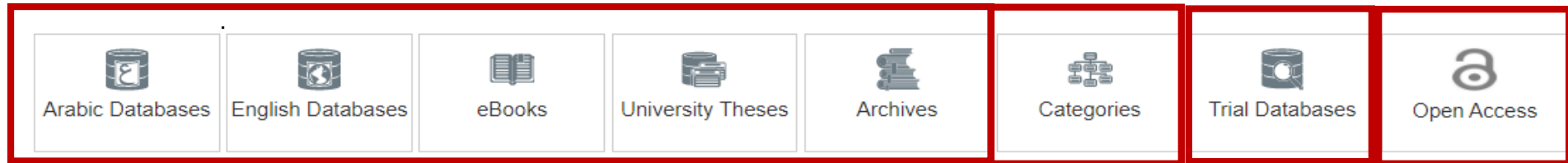
Classifies databases according to its subject.

### ④ Open access:

Enables search in the online free sources.

### ③ Trial databases:

Includes new databases that has not been subscribed yet unless it is evaluated for its suitability for the users of the Saudi Digital Library.



To facilitate the search process; databases have been organized alphabetically to enable the user to find the required database easily, as you can search for a certain database using its first letter or by displaying all databases through a list at the top of the home page.

Home / English Databases

Arabic Databases

**English Databases**

eBooks

University Theses

Archives


Categories


Trial Databases

Open Access


All  A B C D E G I J M N O **P** R S T W


**Passport**


 **Full text:** Unspecified

 **Coverage:** Unspecified


**Primal Pictures**

 **ANATOMY.TV**  
POWERED BY PRIMAL PICTURES

 **Full text:** Unspecified

 **Coverage:** Unspecified

**ProQuest**

 **Full text:** Unspecified

## Databases for 2020

publisher	Subject
AAA/S	Science
Access Engineering	Engineering
Access Medicine	Medicine
Access Pharmacy	Pharmacy
Access Surgery	Medicine
Acland's Anatomy	Medicine
ACM	Computer
ACS	Chemistry
AdisInsight	Medicine
Arab World Research Source (Al Masdar)	Multi-specialty
Arabic eBook Collection	Multi-specialty
Archive Unbound	Politics
ASCE	Engineering
AskZad	Social and Human Sciences
Bates Physical Examination Videos	Medicine
BMJ Journals	Medicine
BMJ Best Practice	Medicine
Britannica Academic	Multi-specialty
Cabi	Agriculture and food

publisher	Subject
Cambridge	Multi-specialty
Clarivate Analytics (ISI)	Multi-specialty
Clinical Skills	Medicine
Clinical Key Nursing	Medicine
Clinical Key	Medicine
Director of Open Access Journal (DOAJ)	Multi-specialty
Directory of Open Access Book (DOAB)	Multi-specialty
Dynamed Plus	Multi-specialty
EBSCOhost(23 Databases)	Multi-specialty
Economist Historical Archives	Economist
Emerald eJournals Premier	administration science
Emerging Case study	administration science
IEEE	Electrical and mechanical engineering
IET	Engineering
InfoSci Platform	Computer and Business Administration
InfoSci-Videos	Computer and Business Administration
Jaypee	Medicine
JoVE	Medicine and Science
Karger	Multi-specialty

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<b>publisher</b>	<b>Subject</b>
Medline Complete	Multi-specialty
Meem	Multi-specialty
Nano	Nanotechnology
National Geographic Magazine	Geographic
Nature Journal	Science
OECD Library	Multi-specialty
Open Access Theses and Dissertation (OATD)	Multi-specialty
OVID	Medicine
Oxford University	Multi-specialty
Primal Picture	Medicine
ProQuest Ebook Central	Multi-specialty
ProQuest (Around 30 databases)	Multi-specialty
Read it! (English Language Learner)	Multi-specialty
Royal Society of Chemistry	Chemistry
SAGE Premier	Multi-specialty
SAGE Research Method	Multi-specialty
Sage Business Cases	Multi-specialty
Scientific American Journal	Science

<b>publisher</b>	<b>Subject</b>
ScienceDirect	Multi-specialty
SciFinder – CAS	Chemistry
Scopus	Multi-specialty
Springer Link	Multi-specialty
Springer Materials	Chemistry
STEDMANS online	Medicine
Taylor & Francis	Social and technical sciences
Taylor & Francis Medical Library	Medicine
The Financial Times Historical Archives	Business & Finance
UN Library	Multi-specialty
Wiley Online Library	Multi-specialty
Al Manhal	Social and Human Sciences
Gate scientific book	Social and Human Sciences
e-Marefa	Multi-specialty
Dar Almandumah	Social and Human Sciences
Aljamea Alkabeer	Islamic studies