

Continuous Brief Browse for Library Staff

WISCAT (AGent) can simultaneously search the WISCAT union catalog, numerous Wisconsin and MINITEX Z39.50 host library catalogs, and other resources such as the Library of Congress Z39.50 catalog

The screenshot displays the WISCAT search interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Staff Menu, Sign Out, Keyword Search (highlighted), Browse, Advanced Search, and Help. Below the tabs is a search bar with the text "Search For" and a "POWERED BY" logo. The search bar contains a search input field, a dropdown menu set to "All Headings", and "Search" and "Reset" buttons. Below the search bar, there are links for "My Preferences", "A Demo Library", and "View Library Cart".

The main content area is titled "Clear Checkmarks" and "Bottom of Page". It features a section for "My Web Links" with a "BadgerLink" sub-section. The results are organized into several categories, each with a folder icon and a checkbox:

- WISCAT**
 - WISCAT
- Other Wisconsin Catalogs**
 - Bi-County Lib (BCLIC)
 - Brown County Library
 - CAFE (Waukesha Co.)
 - Chippewa Valley Tech
 - Edgewood College (Madison)
 - Fox Valley Technical College
 - Gateway Technical College
 - Janesville Public Library
 - Kenosha Public Library
 - Lakeshore Technical College
 - M.O.R.E. Consortium
 - Menomonee Falls Public Library
 - Mercy Medical Center Library (Oshkosh)
 - Mid-State Technical College
 - Milwaukee County Library System
 - Moraine Park Technical College
 - Northcentral Technical College
 - Northeast Wisconsin Technical College
 - Northern Waters Lib Serv
 - OWLSNet
 - S.H.A.R.E. Consortium Catalog
 - Southwest Library Sys
 - St. Elizabeth Hospital (Appleton)
 - SWITCH Consortium
 - UW-Colleges
 - UW-Eau Claire
- UW Catalogs**
 - UW-Green Bay
 - UW-LaCrosse
 - UW-Madison
 - UW-Milwaukee
 - UW-Oshkosh
 - UW-Parkside
 - UW-Platteville
 - UW-River Falls
 - UW-Stevens Point
 - UW-Stout
 - UW-Superior
 - UW-Whitewater
 - Waukesha County Technical College
 - Winding Rivers (WRLSWEB)
 - Winnefox Library System
 - Wisconsin Valley Library Service (V-Cat)
- MINITEX Catalogs**
 - MN - MnPALS
 - MN - MnPALS - Central Lakes Region
 - MN - MnPALS - Metropolitan Region
 - MN - MnPALS - South Central Region
 - MN - MnPALS - Southeast Region
 - MN - MnPALS - Southwest Region
 - MN - MnSCU/PALS
 - MN - MnSCU/PALS - Central Lakes Region
 - MN - MnSCU/PALS - Metropolitan Region
 - MN - MnSCU/PALS - Northeast Region
- MN - MnSCU/PALS**
 - MN - MnSCU/PALS - Northwest Region
 - MN - MnSCU/PALS - South Central Region
 - MN - MnSCU/PALS - Southeast Region
 - MN - MnSCU/PALS - Southwest Region
 - MN - Plum Creek Library System
 - MN - Scott County Library System
 - MN - University of Minnesota - All Campuses
 - MN - Anoka County Library
 - MN - Arrowhead Library System
 - MN - Carver County Library
 - MN - Cooperating Libraries in Consortium (CLIC)
 - MN - Duluth Public Library
 - MN - East Central Regional Library
 - MN - Great River Regional Library
 - MN - Minneapolis Public Library
 - MN - Pioneerland Library Systems
 - MN - Ramsey County Library
 - MN - Rochester Public Library
 - MN - Saint Paul Public Library
 - MN - Southeastern Libraries Cooperating (SELCO)
 - MN - Traverse des Sioux Library System
 - MN - Viking Library System
 - MN - Washington County Library
- Other Resources**
 - Library of Congress
 - National Library of Medicine

At the bottom of the page, there are "Search", "Reset", and "Clear Checkmarks" buttons, along with "Top of Page" and "Bottom of Page" navigation arrows.

Keyword Search with available resources

A function called Continuous Brief Browse (CBB) displays a default of 20 results per resource. Bibliographic records from the faster resources are presented quickly instead of making a user wait for every selected resource to finish responding.

CBB continues to search in the background, collect results, and queue those results until all resources have finished responding. If more than 20 results are available from the selected resources, a user can be looking through the first set of results while additional sets are being constructed. If an item wanted is not found in the first set returned, the user can access the next set, etc.

NOTE: The default number of "hits" to display per resource can be changed by a library, or by a user logged in with a patron barcode validated by a user record created by library staff in WISCAT

Resource Summary and list of results displayed

Results are displayed for each resource (catalog) searched. It is also possible to combine the search results from all selected resources by changing the Results Display Mode from *Group by Resource* to Sort by Title, Sort by Author, or Sort by Date. Each unique bibliographic record displayed will then have all matching holdings from the WISCAT union catalog and the selected Z39.50 host catalogs. Interlibrary loan staff is encouraged to select a WISCAT record when available.

A record from any of the catalogs can be chosen to display a full bibliographic record; any matching record may be used to submit an interlibrary loan request. After a request is submitted, WISCAT (AGent) again searches all resources to identify matching holdings.

WISCAT (AGent) then automatically

- 1. checks the list of holdings against the library's list of Preferred Lenders and Systemwide Lenders list;**
- 2. checks each owning library's ILL policy in WISCAT to find out if a potential lender is willing to loan the requested format; and**
- 3. checks the Z39.50 catalogs of potential lenders for current availability (On the Shelf, Available, etc.)**