Persistent links to records

HOLLIS Persistent Links provide durable links to HOLLIS records. These links are displayed in the HOLLIS records.

**What are persistent links?**
Persistent links, also called permalinks, provide durable links to records in the Harvard Library catalog. The links resolve to HOLLIS+ now that it is the primary Harvard Library catalog.

**Where do I find the persistent link?**
Persistent links are visible now in HOLLIS+ towards the bottom of the catalog record.

**How are persistent links formed?**

For records from Alma:

http://id.lib.harvard.edu/alma/XXX/catalog
(Replace XXX with the Alma MMS ID (they all start with 99))

For records migrated from Aleph, the Aleph permalink will continue to work:

http://id.lib.harvard.edu/aleph/000000000/catalog
(Replace zeros with appropriate 9-digit Aleph number)

For finding aids (HOLLIS+ Finding Aid detail):

http://id.lib.harvard.edu/ead/xxx00000/catalog
(Replace xxx00000 with EAD ID)

- To link to the Digital FA tab, add &digital=yes

For images in HOLLIS+:

For images (work/group record with thumbnail grid):
http://id.lib.harvard.edu/via/xxx00000/catalog
(Replace xxx00000 with VIA ID)

For Image Detail pages for images when there are digital images:
http://id.lib.harvard.edu/via/xxx00000/urn-3:yyyy:999999/catalog
(Replace xxx00000 with VIA ID; Replace yyyy:999999 with URN segment)

For Image Detail pages for components that are not digitized:
http://id.lib.harvard.edu/via/xxx00000/zzzz8888/catalog
(Replace xxx00000 with VIA ID; Replace zzzz8888 with component ID)

For images in HOLLIS Images:

For images (work/group record with thumbnail grid):
http://id.lib.harvard.edu/images/xxx00000/catalog
(Replace xxx00000 with image record ID)

**Which link should I use for LibGuides?**

Use the persistent links for LibGuides and any place the link needs to work long term.

**Do I have to update my LibGuides to use persistent links?**

Yes, you should update any links to HOLLIS to use persistent links. SpringShare updated around 4000 links in our LibGuides. They were only able to update link boxes and book boxes. You will need to update links within rich text boxes manually.

**Why is this important?**

Persistent links allow us to link to a Harvard Library catalog record regardless of which system we use.
What about content outside of HOLLIS?

For persistent link to articles in e-journal platforms, please consult the Research Guide “Linking to Harvard Library e-resources.” This link leads to a restricted page.

Please use the LTS Support Center to send us your questions and ideas.