

Configuring Direct Linking (~2 min)

Welcome to this training session on Alma and Primo VE Integration. In this session, you will see how to configure your electronic resources to link directly to the full text content in their databases.

In Primo, when you click on an Available Online link, by default you go to the full record and see the service or services listed that provide access to the content in open access repositories or subscription databases.

With direct linking enabled, you can click on the Available Online link and go directly to the content in the database.

Let's go into Primo VE and see the options that are available.

To get to direct linking configuration, go to the Alma configuration, fulfillment, Discovery Interface Display Logic, Direct Linking.

Here we have the following options:

Right now it looks like direct linking is enabled, so if you were to click on the available online link, you would go directly to the site.

If there were multiple services, though, you would still be brought to the list in the full record unless you also had the Enable Direct Linking when multiple services are available option selected as well. In this case, you would be brought directly to the first link in the list of services.

If the service has an authentication or public note and you have these checked here, it is possible to disable direct linking so the user's attention is called to those notes.

Direct linking can be disabled for electronic collections when the first service in the online access section is a match between the search in the discovery system and the electronic collection's bibliographic record.

You can also disable direct linking for records with the electronic material type 'Journal', and you can disable direct linking for digital resources as well.

Thank you for watching!