Alma December 2017 Release Notes

The Soul of Alma

Configurable

This Alma release provides numerous new features and enhancements. Some of these enhancements are a result of Idea Exchange initiatives.

Download a PDF of the Release Notes – Note that the PDF includes the online help pages that describe the core functionality of the new features.

Make the Most of This Release

Action Items
☐ Option to Send/Not Send Vendor Letters for PO Lines – Do you sometimes want to send an order letter to the vendor, but in other situations find it unnecessary to do so? Until now, you have been able to accomplish this only through workarounds such as making the PO line purchase method Gift, Technical, or Purchase at Vendor System. Now, with any purchase method, you can choose whether or not you want the PO line sent to the vendor.
☐ Distribute General Electronic Services from the Network Zone – Institutions that share a Network Zone can now further consolidate the general electronic services they provide and simplify their configuration by centrally managing these electronic services. General electronic services can be configured in the Network Zone and then automatically distributed to member institutions.
☐ New Analytics Usage Tracking Subject Area – Curious about how Analytics is being used in your institution? This new subject area allows you to create various reports about the usage of Alma Analytics, using a wide range of parameters. Be sure to check out the ready-to-use dashboard at: /shared/Alma/Analytics Usage Tracking/Dashboards

What's New

The following sections present the new and changed features in this release of Alma.

New Alma User Interface

More than 12,000 staff users and 500 institutions worldwide are now using Alma's new interface. If you haven't yet started using the new interface, now is the time to try it out. You can turn it on gradually for specific staff users, or decide to turn it on for your entire institution (Click here for more information about enabling the new UI).

Note that the new interface will be turned on automatically for all Alma customers in January 2018, so take advantage of the next couple of months to start using the new UI at your institution and share your feedback with us.

Acquisitions

- [Option to Send/Not Send Vendor Letters for PO Lines](#) – You can determine whether to send a letter to the vendor for each PO line that you define.

- **Idea Exchange:** [Remove Historical License References](#) – A resource may be removed from the license history in the license's **Inventory** tab.

- [Adding a License to a PO Line with No Inventory](#) – You can add a license to an electronic PO line without inventory.

- [Add Group Settings to a License](#) – A group setting may be associated with a license for environments with multiple campuses or libraries.

Resource Management

- [Additional Staff Search Fields](#) – The **Additional Network Zone Staff Search Fields** configuration option announced in September was renamed **Additional Staff Search Fields** and is now available for all Alma institutions.

- [Vocabulary Option for Other Classification Number in Browse Bibliographic Headings](#) – When you select the **Call Number/Classifications** heading type and **Other Classification Number** for source code in Browse Bibliographic Headings, a new vocabulary option is available.

- [651 Authority Record Linking and Suggestions](#) – For bibliographic records containing the 651 field with a second indicator of 0, the system now checks LCNAMES in addition to LCSH.

- [New Authority Search Indexes](#) – New authority search indexes are being added for MARC 21, CNMARC, and UNIMARC.

- [Latin Displayed for Multiscript UNIMARC Records](#) – For UNIMARC bibliographic records that contain multiple scripts and have $7 ba in certain fields, Alma displays only the Latin script version wherever records appear, such as in search results.

- [List of Holdings Enhanced](#) – Several columns on the List of Holdings page are now sortable and new filters were added to the page.

- [Additional Resource Management Enhancements](#).

Digital Resource Management

- [Available Libraries Restricted According to Permissions](#) – The libraries available from the **Library** drop-down list when adding representations and top-level collections are now limited according to the user's permissions.

- [Add Representations from Repository Search and MD Editor](#) – You can add representations to bibliographic records directly from the repository search and the MD Editor.

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Fulfillment

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Collaborative Networks

- **Idea Exchange:** [Distribute General Electronic Services from the Network Zone](#) – General electronic services may be created by the Network Zone and distributed automatically to the member institutions.
- [License Negotiation When Content Differs Between Members](#) – Within an acquisition network, the Network Zone may record and manage different content for each member institution when the license type is **Negotiation**.
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Analytics

- [New Analytics Usage Tracking Subject Area](#) – The Analytics Usage Tracking subject area allows you to create reports concerning the usage of Alma Analytics.
- [Additional Analytics Enhancements](#)

Mobile

- **Idea Exchange:** [Restore Scan In Items](#) – Alma Mobile now provides a Restore option with Scan In for managing your inventory.

Administration and Infrastructure

- [Administration and Infrastructure Enhancements](#) – Several administration and infrastructure enhancements were made for the December release.

APIs

- The **suppress_from_publishing** field is now available for holdings records, in addition to bibliographic records.
- he Analytics API can retrieve directories as well as reports, both in the default Alma directory and in the institutional folder. You can thus retrieve both the name and path of a report, eliminating the need to open a report in the Alma Analytics interface to ascertain the full path in the report properties.

- It is possible to use a POST call to create a new set based on a Boolean operator between two sets (logical/itemized). The output is always an itemized set.
- BIBFRAME is now available through the API.

Alma-Summon Integration

The following improvements were made to Alma-Summon patron-facing pages:

- The Virtual Browse service is now supported on the Services page and allows patrons to virtually browse the library shelf and find additional related records based on the holdings call number of the record.
- End users are now able to use the self-registration capabilities of the various social login methods to self-register and access the Services page. For more information, see Social Login.
- You can now upload a clickable logo without having to edit and upload the entire customization package. To support this functionality, the **Upload Logo** section was added to the Manage Customization Package tab on the View Configuration page (**Discovery > Display Configuration > Configure Views**).

Content Operations

- Library of Congress Authorities Community Zone Updates
- New Electronic Collections Added to the Alma CKB
- No new external search resources were added.

Note

We received notification of changes that are being made by the German National Library (DNB) to the GND authority format. Since the changes that were made to the GND authorities include major structure and content updates, these cannot be implemented in a gradual manner. Rather, they require a full update of all the authorities. The changes must be therefore be handled in Alma as soon as the DNB incorporates them.

We concluded as a result of analysis that the most efficient way to adopt these changes in Alma is to reload the entire set of GND authority records (in coordination with the DNB) as soon as these changes are ready. Our plan is to handle this load in November/December. The reloading and indexing will begin on the 26th of November and is expected to take two weeks. During this time, the GND authority records and related functionality may not be fully available in Alma for use by your institution.

In addition, during this two-week period no users will be able to add new contributions or update existing electronic collections in the Community Zone. There may also be a delay in updating NLI and BARE authority records from external authority files.

We will update once the GND reload process is completed and contributions to the Community Zone can resume.

Known Issues

Current known issues related to the new Alma UI can be found here.

Next Release Sneak Preview

View a list of the features that are planned for the January 2018 release.

Acquisitions - December 2017 Enhancements

Option to Send/Not Send Vendor Letters for PO Lines

When defining a PO line, you can now determine whether to send a letter to the vendor. For each acquisition method, there are now two options: one that sends a letter to the vendor and one that does not. By default, the new options that were created to support this functionality are disabled. They may be enabled from the Acquisition Method code table (**Configuration Menu > Acquisitions > Purchase Orders > Acquisition Method**).

Acquisition Methods

Once the options have been enabled, they are displayed in the **Acquisition method** drop-down list in the Purchase Order Line Details.

PO Line Details - Acquisition Method

See Configuring Acquisition Methods.

Remove Historical License References

Idea Exchange: In the **Inventory** tab of the license (**Acquisitions > Acquisitions Infrastructure > Licenses**), a resource may now be removed from the license history.

License Inventory

See Adding an Amendment to a License.

Adding a License to a PO Line with No Inventory

You can now add a license to an electronic PO line without inventory. On an existing order, click **Additional Order**, select **Other Service - One Time** in the **Purchase Type** drop-down list, and click **Create PO Line**. The **License** can be selected on the Purchase Order Line Details page that follows.

Purchase Order Line Details - Additional Order

See [Manually Creating a PO Line](#).

Add Group Settings to a License

A group setting may now be associated with a license for environments with multiple campuses or libraries. The license contains a new tab, **Group Settings**, for licenses of type **License** or **Negotiation**. The group may be added or removed.

Licenses - Group Settings

See [Editing Licenses or Amendments](#).

Resource Management - December 2017 Enhancements

Additional Staff Search Fields

The **Additional Network Zone Staff Search Fields** configuration option announced in September is now available for all Alma institutions. With this configuration option, you can customize five additional 9XX fields for staff search. See Configuring Additional Staff Search Fields for more information.

Vocabulary Option for Other Classification Number in Browse Bibiliographic Headings

When you select the **Call Number/Classifications** heading type and **Other Classification Number** for source code in Browse Bibliographic Headings, a new vocabulary option is available. When you specify a specific vocabulary code, the browse results that appear are determined by a vocabulary code match in the 084 $2. Previously, the browse results would only show headings with no vocabulary specified in the 084 $2. See Browsing Bibliographic Headings for more information.

651 Authority Record Linking and Suggestions

For bibliographic records containing the 651 field with a second indicator of 0, the system now checks LCNAMES in addition to LCSH in the following situations:

- When linking bibliographic headings to authority records with Authorities - Link BIB Headings

  This job first checks LCSH for a match. If no match is found, the job checks LCNAMES.

- When using F3 to check authority records for the 651 bibliographic field

  Authority headings for both LCSH and LCNAMES are displayed on separate tabs when F3 is used.

- When browsing bibliographic headings, the new **LCNAMES for 651** option is provided in the **Vocabulary** drop-down list when **Subjects** is selected as the heading type.

Note

Existing headings links will be updated to reflect this new capability in February 2018.

See the 651 row on the Search Indexes page and the Subjects row on the Browsing Bibliographic Headings page for more information.

New Authority Search Indexes

New authority search indexes are being added for MARC 21, CNMARC, and UNIMARC effective with the re-indexing being done in December. See MARC 21 Authority Search Index Mapping, UNIMARC 21 Authority Search Index Mapping, and CNMARC 21 Authority Search Index Mapping for more information.

Latin Displayed for Multiscript UNIMARC Records
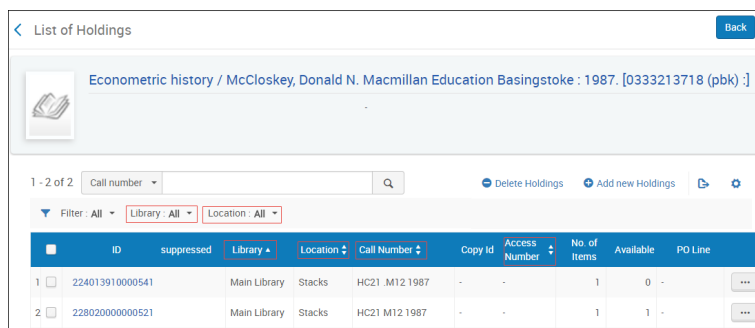
For UNIMARC bibliographic records that contain multiple scripts and have $7 ba in certain fields, Alma displays only the Latin script version wherever records appear, such as in search results. See Working with Multiscript UNIMARC Bibliographic Records for more information.

Since this capability requires re-indexing, you will notice this change in Alma after the re-indexing has completed at one point in December.

List of Holdings Enhanced

The following enhancements were made to the List of Holdings page:

- The following columns on the List of Holdings page (**Repository Search > Physical Titles > Holdings**) are now sortable:
  - Library
  - Location
  - Call Number
  - Access Number
- The **Library** and **Location** filters were added.

List of Holdings

Additional Resource Management Enhancements

- The semi-annual re-indexing will be run during December.
- In the MD Editor, Ctrl-Shift-R was added as a hot key for the **Release Record** menu option.
- New indexes for CNMARC call numbers will be available after the December 2017 re-indexing. See Local Call Numbers in the All Titles - CNMARC Bibliographic tables on the Search Indexes page for more information.

- The **Resource Type** indication in search results is now available for UNIMARC and CNMARC records. See Working with the Resource Type Field for more information.

- A new scheduling option for four times per day was added to the general publishing profile. See Publishing and Inventory Enrichment (General Publishing) for more information about general publishing.

- The general publishing profile can now be used to publish records in RDA/RDF. In Publishing Profiles (see Publishing Profiles) , the **Output Format** field now includes the RDA/RDF format.

- The list of options for Proxy server type in the Resolver Proxy integration profile was expanded to include **OpenAthens Redirector** and **Biblio-PAM**. See Resolver Proxies for more information.

- The general publishing profile (**Resources > Publishing > Publishing Profiles**) was enhanced with additional fields that can be used for bibliographic and electronic inventory enrichment:

General Publishing Profiles - Data Enrichment

- The **Information** tab of the MD Editor now displays information in the language of the interface, if available. If it is not available, the default language appears according to the specific MARC profile and record type. For more information, see Navigating the MD Editor Page.
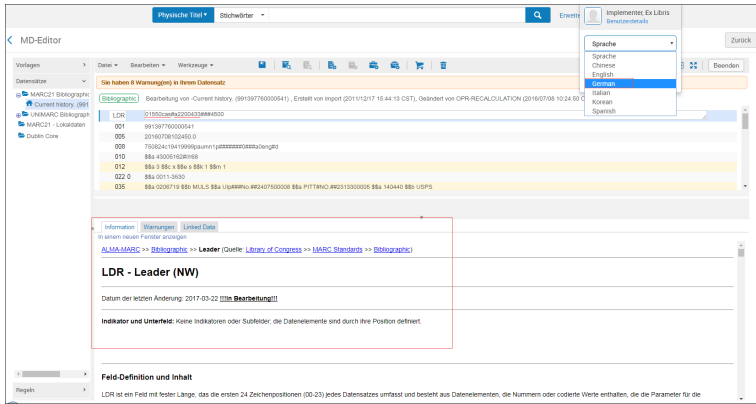
MD Editor Information Tab

- Subfield $c of field 200 in UNIMARC is now displayed as part of the title in the staff search results.

- In the staff search results, whether the data is from field 700 or 701 (UNIMARC – Creator), subfields $c (Additions to Names Other than Dates) and $d (Roman Numerals) are now displayed in addition to $a (Entry Element) and $b (Part of Name Other than Entry Element).

- UNIMARC 200 $d (Parallel Title Proper) was added to the title information in the staff search results.

- To enable the retrieval of records for a non-Roman text search, many 880 fields (Alternate Graphic Representation) have been added to the bibliographic record Search section according to whatever is in the subfield 6 of the 880.

- A new advanced search index called **Linked Institution** was added. The options are **Community** or **Network**. Use this for retrieving bibliographic records that are linked either to the Community Zone or to the Network Zone (member institutions).

- The 830 $w (bibliographic record control number) is being indexed in December and will be searchable under the Other System Number index.

- The UNIMARC 559 $a (added/other title) is being indexed in December and will be searchable under the Title index.

- The **Relink to another bibliographic record** option was added to the Physical Item Editor.

Relink to Another Bibliographic Record

- The appearance of records in the MD Editor was enhanced to show what type of record is being edited.
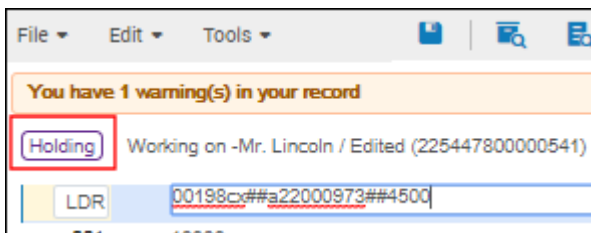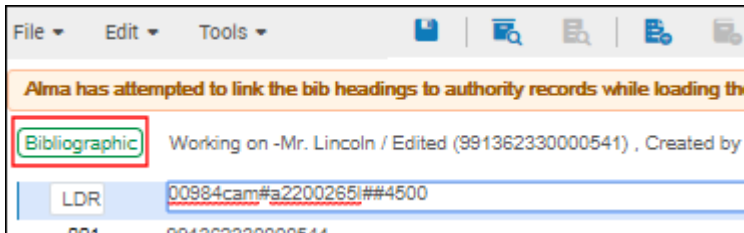
Display of Record Type

- For different title searches in repository search, the **Update Date** field now reflects the correct updated date of the bibliographic record.
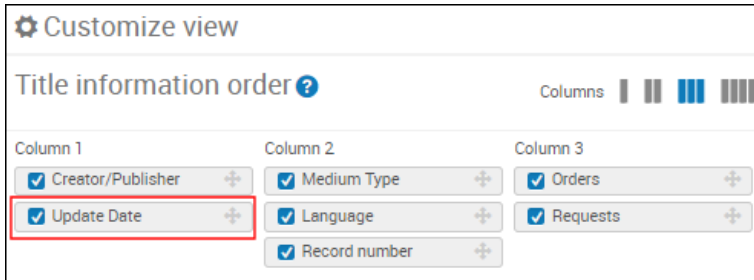
Update Date Field

- The following call number standards are now supported and can now be used when the appropriate customer parameters are set by Ex Libris:

  ◦ Tozzer

  ◦ Harvard Yenching

  ◦ Widener

  ◦ Other Schema (expanded options determined by the parameter set by Ex Libris)

These changes expand the options for browsing the shelf listing, viewing sorted call number repository search results, and normalization when saving holdings records. See Browsing the Shelf Listing for more information.

Digital Resource Management - December 2017 Enhancements

Available Libraries Restricted According to Permissions

The libraries available from the **Library** drop-down list when adding representations and top-level collections are now limited according to the user's permissions. If the user has permissions for only one library, no selection is possible.

Add Representations from Repository Search and MD Editor

You can now add representations to bibliographic records directly from the repository search and the MD Editor.

- When searching the repository, select **Add Representation** from the row actions:
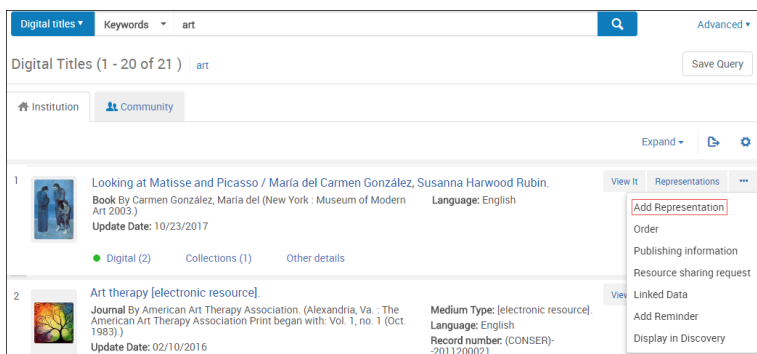
Add Representation from the Repository Search

- In the MD Editor, select **Tools > MARC Bibliographic > Add Representation** or click the **Add Representation** icon:
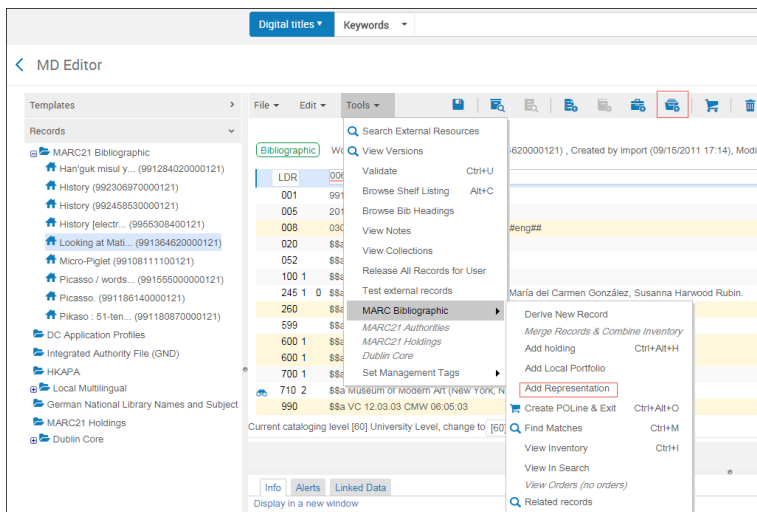
Add Representation from the MD Editor

The Representation Details page appears, allowing you to enter information for the new representation.

Additional Digital Resource Management Enhancements

- SRU now supports importing records in qualified Dublin Core format.

- In the field description of the visualization of a digital resource, the volumes and titles are now grouped as in the description in field 505. That is, the subfields are taken from field 505 for creating the description element, exactly as they are cataloged.

Fulfillment - December 2017 Enhancements

Notification Fees for Fines and Fees Notification Profile

You may now configure the Fines and Fees Notification Profile to charge a handling fee to patrons for sending the notification letter. The Fines/Fees Notification Profile has a new check box, **Create Notification Fee**. When this check box is selected, the **Notification Fee Amount** field is also displayed. This is the fee being issued for the notification itself. When **Create Notification Fee** is selected, the **Notification Fee Amount** becomes a mandatory field that must be greater than zero.

Fines/Fees Notification Profile

The Fines/Fees Notification Profile List now includes a column to indicate that a notification fee has been added to the profile.

Fines/Fees Notification Profile List

The XSL of the FulFinesFeesNotificationLetter can be modified to display the notification fee amount. The value is found in **fine_fee_notification_fee_amount**. The job report for the Fines/Fees Notification job includes new lines in the summary for total records that succeeded/failed to create a notification fee, and a new section, **Fees Notification - Handling Fee - By Profile**.

Fines/Fees Notification Job Report

See Configuring Fines/Fees Notifications.

Reading List Search and Sets

You can now search for reading lists and create reading list sets.

Note

Reading list sets are not useful on their own; however, in an upcoming release, Alma will introduce a job that can configure a group of reading lists (in a reading list set).

- To search for reading lists, see Searching in Alma. The reading list search fields are described in Reading List Search Fields.
- Search results appear on the Reading Lists Task List page in the new **All** tab. This tab contains all reading lists that you can view in all of the other tabs. For more information, see Managing Reading Lists.
- You can create logical or itemized reading list sets the same way that you create any other sets. See Managing Search Queries and Sets.

Additional Fulfillment Enhancements

- On the Reading Lists Task Page (see Managing Reading Lists), you can now search by last modified date (using a range of two dates between which the list was last modified).
- The fields **Chapter author**, **Chapter title**, and **Editor** were added for physical items (books), in the Physical Item Editor and the add non-repository citation page. **Chapter** was renamed **Chapter number** on these screens.

- After rolling over a course, a link to the original course appears in the header on the Manage Course Information page. For more about course rollover, see Configuring Course Loading.

- **Idea Exchange:** The patron ID field on the Patron Identification page now saves the list of patrons entered during the current session, so that you can select from recent patrons each time you access the page. Due to privacy concerns, this recent list is emptied each time you log out. See Selecting a Patron.

- In block preferences (**Configuration menu > Fulfillment > Block preferences**):
  - The title was changed from Workbench preferences to Block preferences.
  - Column widths were enlarged.

- The message, **Patrons card has expired**, was added to the Self Check Messages (**Configuration Menu > Fulfillment > Physical Fulfillment > Self Check Messages**) so that it can be customized.

- **Idea Exchange:** If you attempt to return an item in Manage Patron Services that is checked out to a user other than the one you are viewing, a popup with an option to cancel the operation appears.

Resource Sharing - December 2017 Enhancements

Deactivating Resource Sharing Libraries

A resource sharing library may now be set as temporarily inactive for borrowing or lending requests. The resource sharing information in the library details includes new check boxes, **Temporary inactive for borrowing** in the Borrowing Setup section and **Temporary Inactive for lending** in the Lending Setup section. When the check box is selected, an optional field, **Inactive dates range**, may also be completed. When the date range is selected, the library is inactive for borrowing or lending requests only for the dates indicated. If the date range is left empty, the library remains inactive until the check box is cleared. This inactive status blocks requests for this library regardless of whether they are created using the UI, an API, or in Primo. For Primo users, the resource sharing request link is hidden. For users of the Alma UI, when requesting an item, a message pops up informing the user: **The resource sharing library is inactive for requests**. You may click **Confirm** to override the block and continue with the request.

Organization Unit Resource Sharing Information

When sending a borrowing request to an ISO or NCIP peer-to-peer lending partner that has inactivated their resource sharing library for lending, the status of the lending request is **Rejected the borrower request**. The borrowing request will then have its status changed to **Rejected by partner**.

For more information, see Configuring Parameters of a Resource Sharing Library, Creating a Borrowing Request, and Creating a Lending Request.

Additional Resource Sharing Enhancements

- The **Requested Format** field, which appears on borrowing and lending resource sharing requests, was added to the borrowing and lending task lists.
- AuthenticationInput is now supported for NCIP v1, the same way it is already supported for NCIP v2.
- The Manage Fulfillment Options header from the resource sharing lending request and reading lists now includes the following fields, when available, in the new UI:
  - Article\Chapter Title
  - Volume
  - Issue
  - Chapter
  - Pages
  - Year
  - Note

Collaborative Networks - December 2017 Enhancements

Distribute General Electronic Services from the Network Zone

Idea Exchange: General electronic services may now be created by the Network Zone and distributed automatically to the member institutions. The existing job, **Distribute Network Fulfillment Changes to Members**, now includes distribution of the general electronic services. The job is accessed from **Fulfillment > Advanced Tools > Distribute Fulfillment Network Configuration**. The General Electronic Services page includes a new column, **Shared**, for member institutions. The records marked as **Shared** are copied from the Network Zone institution and cannot be edited.

A new customer parameter, **network_ges_distribution_members_behavior**, controls what is done with the members' GES records when the Network Zone's records are distributed. Valid values are: **Remove**, **Deactivate**, and **None**. Remove removes all the local records. Deactivate retains the local records but deactivates them. None leaves all previously existing records exactly as they were before the distribution.

For more information, see [Configuring Fulfillment Information in the Network Zone](#).

License Negotiation When Content Differs Between Members

Within an acquisition network, the Network Zone institution may now record and manage different content for each member institution when the license type is in **Negotiation** status. The member content is accessed from **Acquisitions > Acquisitions Infrastructure > Licenses**, then editing the license and selecting the **Negotiation Details** tab. You can either add a member or edit an existing member and select the appropriate content.

Summary Tab of a Member in Negotiation Details

See [Adding a Negotiation License or a Centrally Managed License](#) or the presentation, [Licenses and e-resources in the consortial environment](#).

Additional Collaborative Network Enhancements

- In the MD Editor under **File > Options**, the **Placement of new bibliographic records** heading was changed to **Placement of new records and templates** in the Options dialog box.

Analytics - December 2017 Enhancements

New Analytics Usage Tracking Subject Area

The Analytics Usage Tracking subject area allows you to create reports concerning the usage of Alma Analytics. For more information, see Analytics Usage Tracking.

Additional Analytics Enhancements

- The **PO ERP Number** field was added in the following locations:
    - Physical Items > PO Line
    - Cost Usage > PO Line
    - Funds expenditure > PO Line
    - E-Inventory > Portfolio PO Line
    - E-Inventory > Electronic Collection PO Line
- The **Coverage Information Combined** and **Summary Holding** fields were added to Titles > Title Details. These fields allow you to determine the coverage of journals when performing an overlap analysis for physical and electronic inventory.
- The **Group5** field was added to the LC classifications dimension in all subject areas in which it appears. This field allows you to create reports using the fifth level of the hierarchy of LC classifications. Note that this level is not available in the Classifications hierarchy field.
- The **Total Events using LTI** field was added to Leganto Student Usage > Student Usage and Student Weekly Usage. It indicates the usage using a Learning Tools Interoperability (LTI) system.

Mobile - December 2017 Enhancements

Restore Scan In Items

Idea Exchange: Alma Mobile now provides a Restore option with Scan In for managing your inventory. Similar to the web-based version of Alma, items that are identified in a temporary location can be restored to their permanent locations using this new mobile feature. See Using Scan In for more information.

Administration and Infrastructure - December 2017 Enhancements

- A section was added to the SIS report to include counts for unchanged users in the total records processed. Unchanged records are records that have been included in the SIS feed, but did not include any changes to existing records and therefore did not cause any update to an existing record.

- Internal users that use external authentication methods such as SAML or LDAP that were locked are now unlocked if the lock duration time has passed and the user enters correct credentials.

- You can now create institution notifications. Unlike notifications that appear in the home page notifications widget (which the user can hide), these notifications appear to all users at the top of the home page between certain dates or until the user dismisses the notification. For more information, see Configuring Institution Notifications.

- In the new UI, if you customize the columns on a page, the configuration icon now has a small green dot in the lower right corner

  . When you click the icon, the option to **Restore list defaults** appears. Click to restore the fields and actions to their out-of-the box settings.

- For non-repository searches (PO lines, funds, and so forth), which do not use the new UI's enhanced recent searches feature, you may now be able to select a previous search string using your browser history. The enhanced recent searches feature is still available for repository searches.

- **Idea Exchange:** In header section on any page, when a value is too long to display in the header, a partial value appears with three dots (...). You can hover your mouse over the partial value to see the full value in a tooltip.

Content Operations - December 2017 Enhancements

Note

The fix related to the 776 field that was announced in the Alma July 2017 release notes is now complete. All print identifiers are now stored in the 776 $z (ISBN) or $x (ISSN) standard MARC fields instead of the non-standard MARC subfields 020 or 022 $e. Note that this fix was handled in cooperation with the Community Zone Management Group (CZMG).

Library of Congress Authorities Community Zone Updates

The following are the Library of Congress subject authority updates for the period of October 19th through November 16th:

- Number of records updated: 57
- Number of records added: 206
- Number of records deleted: 21

The following are the Library of Congress name authority updates for the period of October 19th through November 16th:

- Number of records updated: 15369
- Number of records added: 23716
- Number of records deleted: 243

The following are the Canadian name authority updates for the period of October 19th through November 16th:

- Number of records updated: 179
- Number of records added: 1192
- Number of records deleted: 30

The following are the Library of Congress Genre/Form Terms (LCGFT) updates for the period of October 19th through November 16th:

- Number of records updated: 4

New Electronic Collections Added to the Alma CKB

The following electronic collections were added to the Alma Community Zone from October 23rd through November 19th:

- Alexander Street Press 60 Minutes 1997-2014
- Alexander Street Press Academic Video Online Premium All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Academic Video Online Premium Australia
- Alexander Street Press Academic Video Online Premium Canada
- Alexander Street Press Academic Video Online Premium Japan
- Alexander Street Press Academic Video Online Premium Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press Academic Video Online Premium United States

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- Alexander Street Press Alexander Street Drama
- Alexander Street Press Alexander Street Literature
- Alexander Street Press America Latina en Video All Titles
- Alexander Street Press America Latina en Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press America Latina en Video China
- Alexander Street Press America Latina En Video Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press America Latina en Video United States
- Alexander Street Press American History in Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press American History in Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press American History in Video China
- Alexander Street Press American History in Video Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press American History in Video United States
- Alexander Street Press Anthropological Fieldwork Online
- Alexander Street Press Art and Architecture in Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press Art and Architecture in Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press Art and Architecture in Video United States
- Alexander Street Press Asian Film Online Volume 1 Australia
- Alexander Street Press Asian Film Online Volume 1 Canada
- Alexander Street Press Asian Film Online Volume 1 United States
- Alexander Street Press Asian Film Online Volume 2 All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Asian Film Online Volume 2 Australia
- Alexander Street Press Asian Film Online Volume 2 Canada
- Alexander Street Press Asian Film Online Volume 2 United States
- Alexander Street Press Australasian Literature Online All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Australasian Literature Online Australia
- Alexander Street Press Australasian Literature Online Canada
- Alexander Street Press Australasian Literature Online United States
- Alexander Street Press Australasian Video Online All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Australasian Video Online Australia
- Alexander Street Press Australasian Video Online Canada
- Alexander Street Press Australasian Video Online United States
- Alexander Street Press Black Studies in Video All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Black Studies in Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press Black Studies in Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press Black Studies in Video China
- Alexander Street Press Black Studies in Video Middle East
- Alexander Street Press Black Studies in Video Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press Black Studies in Video United States
- Alexander Street Press Border and Migration Studies Online
- Alexander Street Press Border and Migration Studies Online Text
- Alexander Street Press Business Ebooks Online
- Alexander Street Press Business Education in Video North America

- Alexander Street Press Business Education in Video Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press Counseling and Therapy in Video Volume 3
- Alexander Street Press Current Affairs in Video All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Current Affairs in Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press Current Affairs in Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press Current Affairs in Video Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press Current Affairs in Video United States
- Alexander Street Press Dance Online: Dance in Video Volume 2 Canada
- Alexander Street Press Deman Driven Acquisition
- Alexander Street Press Demand Driven Acquisition Exclusive Content Canada
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- Alexander Street Press Demand Driven Acquisition Feature Film All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Demand Driven Acquisition Feature Film Canada
- Alexander Street Press Demand-Driven Acquisition Feature Film China
- Alexander Street Press Dental Education in Video
- Alexander Street Press Diagnosing Mental Disorders DSM-5™ and ICD-10
- Alexander Street Press Disability in The Modern World
- Alexander Street Press Disability in The Modern World Video
- Alexander Street Press education in video volume 1 outside north america
- Alexander Street Press Education in Video Volume 2 Australia
- Alexander Street Press Education in Video Volume 2 Canada
- Alexander Street Press Education in Video Volume 2 United States
- Alexander Street Press Engineering Case Studies Online Text
- Alexander Street Press Engineering Case Studies Online Video China
- Alexander Street Press Environmental Studies in Video All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Environmental Studies in Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press Environmental Studies in Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press Environmental Studies in Video United States
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 1 All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 1 Australia
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 1 Canada
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 1 China
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 1 Malaysia
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 1 Middle East
- Alexander Street Press ethnographic video online volume 1 united states
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 2 All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 2 Australia
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 2 Canada
- Alexander Street Press ethnographic video online volume 2 united states
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 3 All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 3 Australia
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 3 Canada

- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 4 All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 4 Australia
- Alexander Street Press Ethnographic Video Online Volume 4 Canada
- Alexander Street Press Evidence Based Acquisition
- Alexander Street Press Film Scripts Online Volume 2
- Alexander Street Press Filmmakers Library Online Volume 2 Outside North Amercia
- Alexander Street Press Filmmakers Library Online Volume 3
- Alexander Street Press Food Studies Online Text
- Alexander Street Press Food Studies Online Video All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Food Studies Online Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press Food Studies Online Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press Food Studies Online Video China
- Alexander Street Press Food Studies Online Video United States
- Alexander Street Press Harpers Weekly 1857-1912
- Alexander Street Press Health and Society in Video All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Health and Society in Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press Health and Society in Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press Health and Society in Video United States
- Alexander Street Press Human Resource Management Online
- Alexander Street Press Human Rights Studies Online Text
- Alexander Street Press Human Rights Studies Online Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press Human Rights Studies Online Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press Images of America
- Alexander Street Press international Business Online
- Alexander Street Press LGBT Studies in Video All Titles
- Alexander Street Press LGBT Studies in Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press LGBT Studies in Video Canada
- Alexander Street Press LGBT Studies in Video China
- Alexander Street Press LGBT Studies in Video Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press LGBT Studies in Video United States
- Alexander Street Press March of Time
- Alexander Street Press Medical Imaging in Video
- Alexander Street Press Meet The Press
- Alexander Street Press Music Online Classical Music Library United States
- Alexander Street Press Music Online Classical Music Reference Library
- Alexander Street Press Music Online Classical Scores Library Volume 1 DFG
- Alexander Street Press Music Online Classical Scores Library Volume 3
- Alexander Street Press Music Online Jazz Music Library United States
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: American Song Canada
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: American Song Japan
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: American Song United States
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: Classical Music in Video

- Alexander Street Press Music Online: Classical Music Library Canada
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: Classical Music Library Japan
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: Classical Performance in Video
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: Jazz Music Library Australia
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: Jazz Music Library Canada
- Alexander Street Press Music Online: Jazz Music Library Japan
- Alexander Street Press North American indian Drama Second Edition
- Alexander Street Press North American Indian Thought and Culture
- Alexander Street Press Nursing Assessment in Video
- Alexander Street Press Nursing Assistant Education in Video
- Alexander Street Press Nursing Education in Video 2013
- Alexander Street Press Nursing Education in Video 2014 All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Public Library Video Online
- Alexander Street Press Public Library Video Online Premium
- Alexander Street Press Romanticism Redefined
- Alexander Street Press Silent Film Online All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Silent Film Online Canada
- Alexander Street Press Silent Film Online Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press Silent Film Online Unitd States
- Alexander Street Press Sixties Primary Documents Personal Narratives 1960-1974
- Alexander Street Press Social Theory Second Edition
- Alexander Street Press South and Southeast Asian Literature
- Alexander Street Press Sports Medicine and Exercise Science in Video
- Alexander Street Press Teachers TV
- Alexander Street Press The BBC Video Collection All Titles
- Alexander Street Press The BBC Video Collection Australia
- Alexander Street Press The BBC Video Collection Canada
- Alexander Street Press The BBC Video Collection United States
- Alexander Street Press The Criterion Collection All Titles
- Alexander Street Press The Criterion Collection Canada
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- Alexander Street Press The PBS Video Collection All Titles
- Alexander Street Press The Psychotherapy.net Collection
- Alexander Street Press Theatre in Video North America
- Alexander Street Press Theatre in Video Supplement
- Alexander Street Press Theatre in Video Volume 2 All Titles
- Alexander Street Press Theatre in Video Volume 2 Australia
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- Alexander Street Press Theatre in Video Volume 2 United States
- Alexander Street Press Twentieth Century North American Drama First Ed
- Alexander Street Press Vast Academic Video Online All Titles
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- Alexander Street Press Vast Academic Video Online Canada
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- Alexander Street Press Vast Academic Video Online Middle East
- Alexander Street Press Vast Academic Video Online Outside North America
- Alexander Street Press Vast Academic Video Online United States
- Alexander Street Press Veterinary Education in Video
- Alexander Street Press Video Journal of Counseling and Therapy
- Alexander Street Press Video Journal of Counseling and Therapy 2014
- Alexander Street Press World History in Video Australia
- Alexander Street Press World History in Video Canada
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- Alexander Street Press World Newsreels Online 1929-1966
- Early American News Series 1-13
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- Elibro via Ebook Central Arquitectura, Urbanismo y Diseño
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New External Search Resources

No new external search resources were added to Alma Community Zone for the December release.

Next Release Sneak Preview

Note

The features below are currently planned for the next release. However, some of these features may, for various reasons, not be included in this month's release, but rather in a future Alma release.

Acquisitions

- Enhanced Acquisitions Order Record Search Options – New enhanced PO line search options will enable a more precise order record retrieval as well as the creation of better and more accurate PO line sets.

- Multi Year Negotiation License – When an institution uses a Network Zone-managed multiyear negotiation license, it will be able to manage registering a price per year as well as a price increase. These fields will affect the calculated price when the PO line is renewed in the institution.

- Update the PO Line's Expected Receipt/Activation Date When Claiming – New functionality will recalculate the PO line's expected receipt/activation date after a claim is sent. In this way, additional claims can be sent at the time of the new expected date.

- COUNTER in Alma – When an institution creates a local SUSHI account, it will be possible to contribute this local SUSHI account to the Community Zone as a certified SUSHI vendor.

Resource Management

- Enhance General Publishing to Support Authority Records – The general publishing platform will be enhanced to support the publishing of authority records.

Digital Resource Management

- Customizable DC Forms – Administrators will be able to create metadata forms for DCMI-family schema, to be associated either with a staff-mediated deposit or adding a representation.

Resource Sharing

- Status Query and Report – It will be possible to trigger a status query for both borrowing and lending requests and to automatically generate a status report when receiving a status query.

Analytics

- Anonymize Patron Data in Analytics Reports – The `analytics_anonymize_user_details` parameter allows for the anonymization of a patron's private data in Analytics reports. This parameter, currently available for Network Zone reports, will become a general option available for all levels of Analytic reports.

Administration

- Support Sharing of Templates Across the Community – A new **Contribute** action will be added to the MD Editor templates, allowing for the sharing of record templates.

- Support for Sharing Publishing Profiles in the Network Zone/Community Zone – A new C**ontribute** action will allow for the sharing of general publishing profiles.

APIs

- API for Deleting Holdings Records – The new API for deleting a holdings record will be similar to the existing Delete BIB API. It will use the same logic as UI/batch deletion, so that when the last holdings is deleted, a policy will determine whether to suppress or delete the bibliographic record.

- Discovery APIs – A first set of APIs will be released as part of a process to supply a full set of APIs for using Alma delivery options with third-party discovery tools. More APIs will follow in future releases.

- Webhook for Loans and Requests – The Webhooks integration profile will be enhanced to support changes to loans (check-in/check-out, and so forth) and requests (placed/canceled/on hold shelf, and so forth.).

Analytics Usage Tracking

New for December!

The Analytics Usage Tracking subject area allows you to create reports concerning the usage of Alma Analytics and is able to answer the following types of business questions:

- Which Alma user ran Analytics reports/dashboards? When were the reports/dashboards run? Which reports/dashboards were run (including a path to the reports)?

- How long did the reports take to run (total time in seconds)? How many times were the reports run (number of queries)?

- Which percent of reports ended successfully or failed?

- Which subject areas are used the most? How many times were the subject areas used? How many users use the subject areas? How long were queries run on each subject area?

- Which users use which specific subject areas?

- What is the analytics usage for a day of the week? an hour of the day? a week of the year? a month of the year?
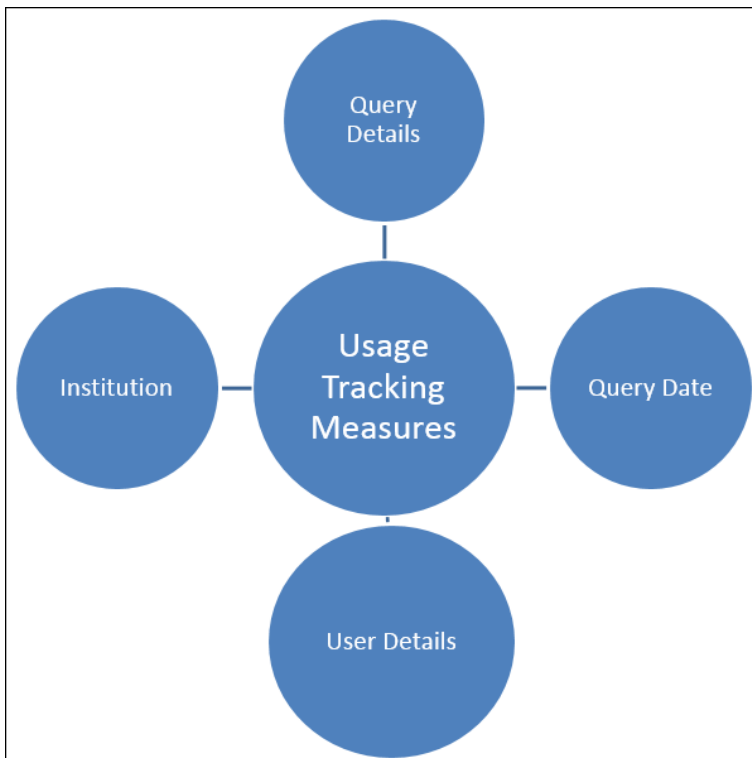
Analytics Usage Tracking

Who ran Analytics reports/dashboards (which Alma user) ? when ? which reports/dashboards (included path to the reports) ? how long did they run (total time in Sec.)? How many times were they run ? (Num of queries) Which percent of reports ended successfully/fail ? Which subject areas are mostly used ? how many times ? how many users use them ? how long queries run on each SA ? Which specific users use specific subject areas ? What is the Analytics usage regarding day of week ? hour of day ? week of the year ? month in the year ?

Field Descriptions
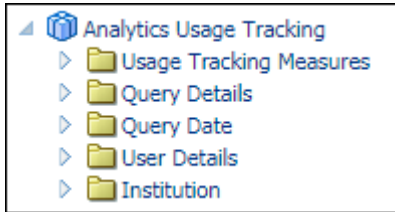
Analytics Usage Tracking - Field Descriptions

Usage Tracking Measures

The Usage Tracking Measures table is a measures table that stores details on usage tracking.

Field	Description	Additional Information
Number of Queries	The number of queries	
Total Time in Seconds	The total time the queries took in seconds	

Query Details

The Query Details table is a dimension table that stores details on queries.

Field	Description	Additional Information
Data updated as of	The last date the data was updated	
Dashboard Name	Thye name of the dashboard	
Dashboard Tab	The dashboard tab	
Start Hour Min	The start hour	
Start Time	The start time	
End Hour Min	The end hour	
End Time	The end time	
Object Path	Th eobject path	
Query Status	The query status	
Subject Area	The subject area	

Query Date

The Query Date table is a dimension table that stores details on the query date.

Field	Description	Additional Information
Query Date	The query date	
Query Day Name	The query day name	
Query Day of Week	The query day of the week	
Query Week Number	The query week number	
Query Month Key	The query month (for example 2 for February)	
Query Month	The query month	
Query Quarter	The query quarter	
Query Year	The query year	
Query Year Month	The query year and month	
Query Fullmonth	Stores the month and the year of the date in a display format such as Feb 12	This field is useful when comparing data on a month basis between years.
Query Date Filter	Used to filter reports by date	

User Details

The User Details table is a dimension table that stores details on users.

Field	Description	Additional Information
External Id	The external ID of the user	
First Name	The first name of the user	
Full Name	The full name of the user	
Gender	The gender of the user	
Job Description	The job description of the user	
Job Title	The job title of the user	

Field	Description	Additional Information
Last Name	The last name of the user	
Middle Name	The middle name of the user	
Primary Identifier	The primary identifier of the user	
Status	The status of the user	
User Group	The user group of the user	
User Id	The user ID of the user	
User Record Type	The record type of the user	
User Title	The user title of the user	
User Type	The user type of the user	

Institution

The shared Institution dimension allows the network institution to view reports according to institution. It is available in every subject area. It contains the following fields:

Institution

Field	Description	Additional information
Institution Code	The code of the institution.	
Institution Name	The name of the institution.	

If an analytics report is run from a member institution in a collaborative network implementing a Network Zone, all member institutions are included in the report for Institution Code and Institution Name.

If an analytics report is run from an institution that is not part of a collaborative network implementing a Network Zone, only the single institution from which the report is run is included in the report for Institution Code and Institution Name.

Note

Reports involving data across a collaborative network implementing a Network Zone may take longer to run than reports within one institution.