Use case

JUSP for further education

With many Further Education colleges now providing Higher Education courses, there has been a growing need for FE libraries and learning resource centres to provide access to journals and e-books. As well as subscribing to selected individual journals, FE colleges are also taking advantage of Jisc Collections offers for larger publisher collections. As with all institutions providing access to content there is a need to demonstrate value for money, the value of the content and value of the learning resource centre or library service. Reviewing and presenting usage statistics is one way of approaching this, but managers may not have time to focus on collection and analysis of usage data.

How can JUSP help?

JUSP collects standardised usage statistics from publishers and aggregators and provides access to institutional data through its portal. COUNTER reports are gathered monthly and the data presented though a range of reports and visualisations. This means that comparable usage data is readily available for regular usage monitoring.

Although JUSP does not yet cover all Jisc Collections subscriptions, a growing number of suppliers are signing up and providing compliant data. For Further Education learning resource centres and libraries with journals provided by several suppliers, JUSP offers librarians and learning resource centre managers time- and cost-saving benefits, especially helpful to those who have multiple roles and little time to gather data.

What do JUSP institutions say?

“Starting to use JUSP was part of a re-focus on collecting usage statistics which altogether has meant we are collecting more now than we had over the last couple of years. It does make it easier to collect statistics especially for publishers where we subscribe to just one or two titles.”

Moulton College

“I’m finding it very useful. It will save me time logging into each publisher’s website and I’m finding the reports very easy to understand.”

Farnborough College of Technology

“I have found JUSP to be very beneficial to my gathering of usage statistics for the electronic journals we have subscriptions for. Before using JUSP I would log on to each individual publisher and collate their statistics which was very time consuming.”

Bradford College

“It’s great that it pulls together data into one place, definitely helpful in saving time and avoiding the frustration logging into multiple systems when passwords have expired. Primarily I’ve used it for semester end and year end stats to compare usage & feedback to HE lecturers alongside our book usage figures.”

Reaseheath College