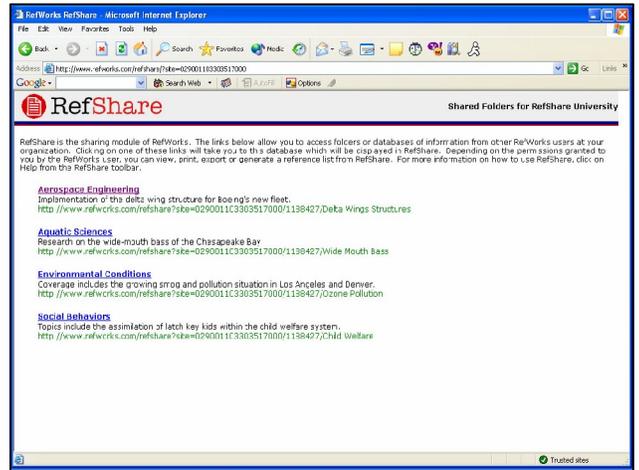# RefWorks

RefShare

A tool for the global dissemination and publication of databases and bibliographies

RefShare is a module within RefWorks that provides users with a quick and easy way to share their database (or folders) further enhancing collaborative research. Users can share their RefWorks references with both members of their own institution and globally with any researcher having Internet access.

Uses of RefShare

- Post class reading lists on a central Web page
- Provide easy access to information for disparate researchers collaborating on a project
- Create and share databases of frequently-requested reference queries by topic
- Provide a linkable database of research done by specific faculty members
- Publish an internal database of references for easy sharing within your community

Benefits of RefShare

- Facilitate dissemination of information by having a central Web page for the posting and access of research information
- Provide a collaborative research environment using the capabilities of easily accessible data via the Internet
- Enables the seamless sharing and exchange of information
- Allow easy transfer of information between RefWorks databases
- Centrally post frequently-needed databases of materials for research queries, class assignments, or research review
- Provide easy remote access to research and collaboration globally

Who needs RefShare?

- **Faculty** – post annotated class syllabi, reading lists, background research; post published articles
- **Researchers** – disseminate research results; collaborate on research
- **Students** – access class lists, research, course requirements
- **Departments** – post program requirements and reading lists; highlight faculty research
- **Librarians** – post specialized reference lists; centralize custom information resources

> "We're really enthusiastic about the ease with which information can be shared through RefShare. It has the potential to make inroads in the classroom due to the ease with which the sharing is enabled. In the long run, instructors getting access to shared references from students makes them better able to follow and guide student scholarship."
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> Dave Wuolu, Alcuin Library
> College of St. Benedict / St. John's University, USA

> "RefShare has had very positive feedback from researchers and faculty on its use for sharing information with each other and with students."
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> Roger Hines, Learning Centre
> Sheffield Hallam University, UK

Access RefShare & RefWorks at: www.refworks.com

RefShare: Enhancing the collaborative research process!

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How it Works

- RefShare allows the subscribing institution to make available a central, customizable Web page where users can post their RefWorks databases or folders.
- The databases are easily accessible from the site; users can also easily share access to this information with anyone via e-mail.

Features of Ref**Share**

- Users control access of their data with a variety of options.
- Viewers can search, download, print, export, and contact the original author by e-mail.
- Access can be limited to a particular community of users.
- Research information is easily accessible by a global audience.

About RefWorks

RefWorks is a Web-based bibliographic management tool that allows users to build and modify personal databases of annotated bibliographic references.
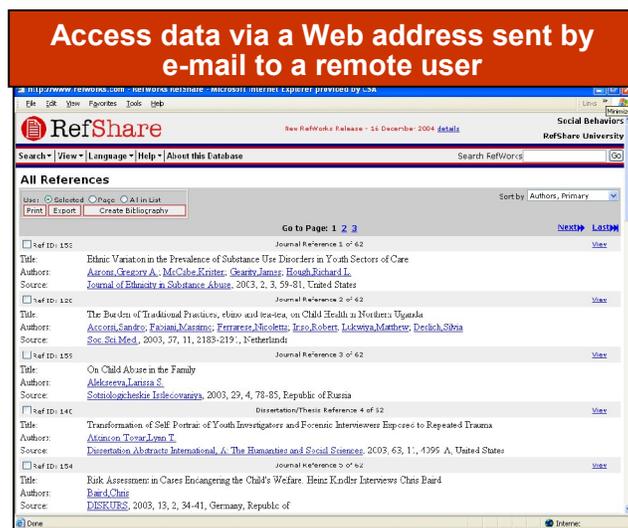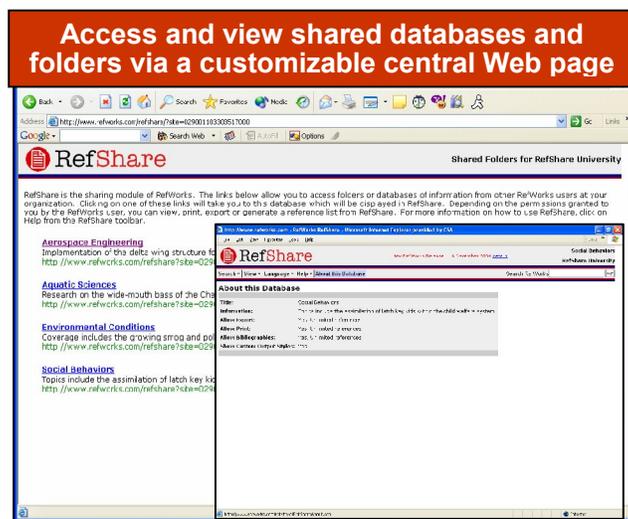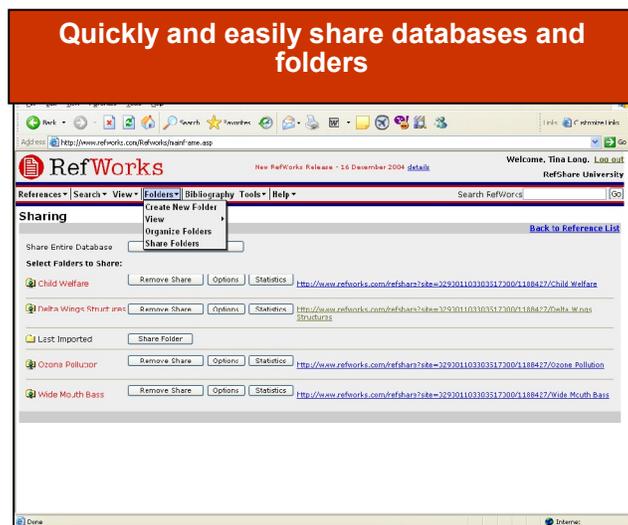
Users access their personal RefWorks database from any Internet-connected computer. References can be imported from hundreds of compatible databases or entered manually.

Additional information about RefWorks is available at **www.refworks.com**.

> *"RefShare is great for our 'faculty' publications – in fact it really is an essential requirement of this application."*
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> Karen Hunt, Library, University of Winnipeg, Canada

Quickly and easily share databases and folders

Access and view shared databases and folders via a customizable central Web page

Access data via a Web address sent by e-mail to a remote user

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