Library Developed Widgets

MIT Libraries News

New Google and Facebook gadgets bring the MIT Libraries to you!

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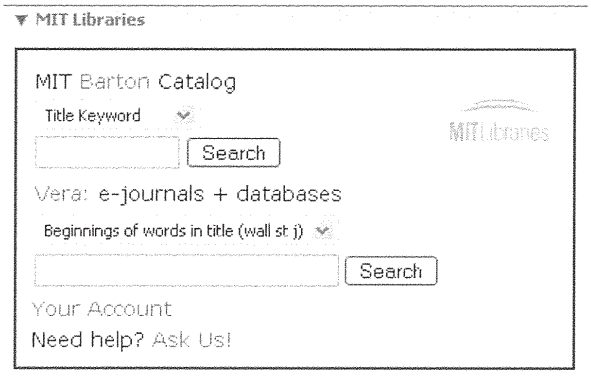
Two new beta gadgets make searching resources of the MIT Libraries even easier! A new Facebook application and Google gadget will allow you to search the Libraries directly from your personal pages.

Facebook Application:

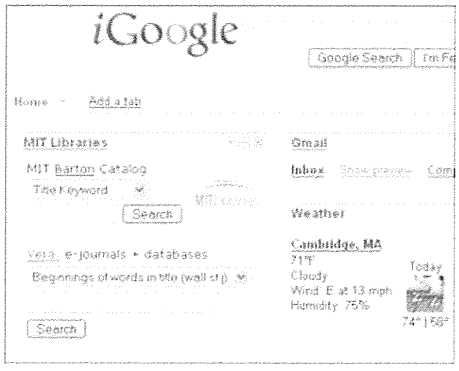
The Facebook application contains search boxes for the Barton web catalog and for Vera, the collection of online journals and databases, along with links to Your Account and Ask Us for research help.



If you already have a Facebook account, you're only a few clicks away from adding the MIT Libraries application.

Google Gadget:

Did you know that you can personalize your Google homepage? Now, you can add a gadget to your Google page to search the collections of the MIT Libraries!



To add this gadget to your Google homepage, click this button: Google

You can also embed the gadget on any other webpage that you've created.

Thanks to Amy Stout, Nicole Hennig, Rob Wolfe, and Todd Rautenberg for developing these applications.

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Tools and Widgets

The University of Minnesota Libraries offers many different tools and widgets that may be used directly or incorporated into other applications such as Google, Amazon, or your browser. We hope to develop more so stay tuned!

Direct use tools

- Refworks: Citation manager -- Manage your bibliography online
- UThink: Blogs at the University of Minnesota -- Create a University of Minnesota blog
- CitationLinker: find full text -- Find out if the libraries has the full text of a known article citation
- Assignment Calculator -- Easily map out the steps needed to complete an assignment
- RSS URL Converter -- Have licensed RSS content that you can't get to from off campus? Convert the RSS URL to a U of M recognized RSS feed and get access from both on campus and off!

Incorporate these widgets and feeds into existing applications

- Libraries News Feeds (RSS, XML, Atom) -- The library offers many different feeds to add to an aggregator or another web site
- Install the U of M Libraries browser toolbar -- Search library resources from this handy browser toolbar
- Install MNCAT search in Firefox and Internet Explorer 7 -- Search MNCAT from your browsers built in search box
- Add MNCAT Lookup to Amazon Searches -- Determine if a book found in Amazon is at the U of M Libraries
- Add the Libraries Search tool to MyU and Google -- The search box on the home page can be added to MyU and Google
- Add MNCAT (Catalog only) to Google -- Add a MNCAT search box to Google that stays within the Google interface

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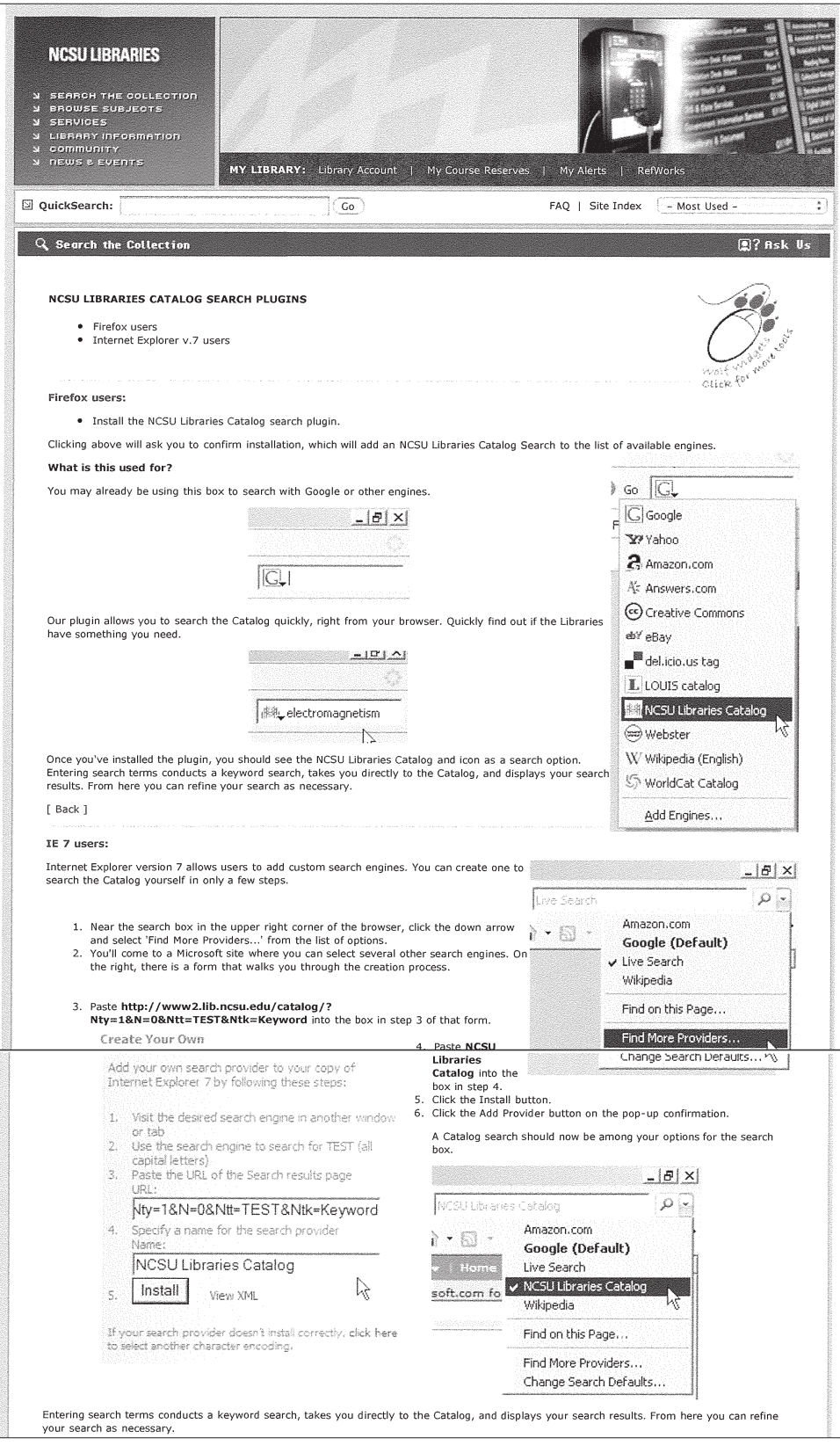

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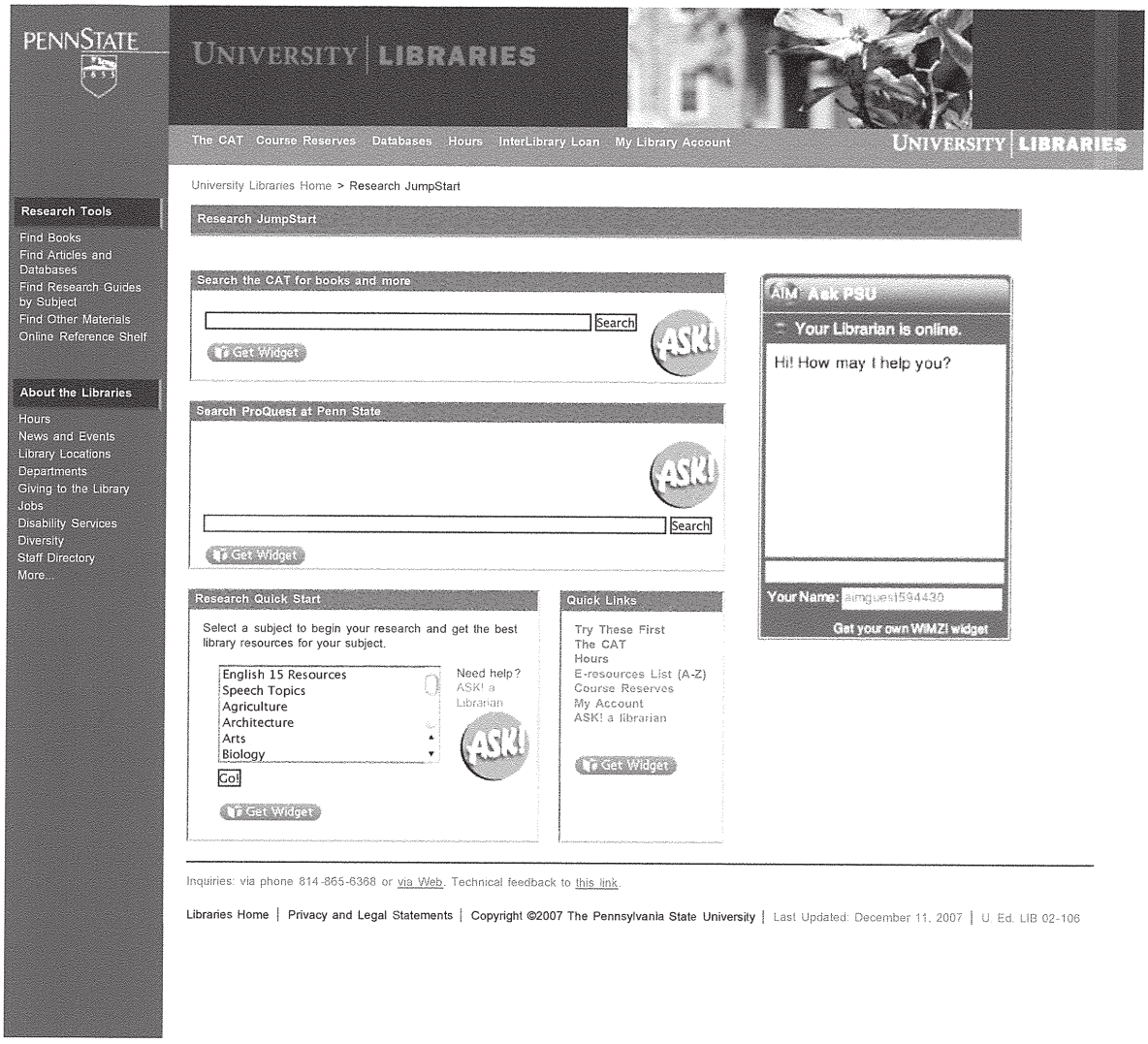

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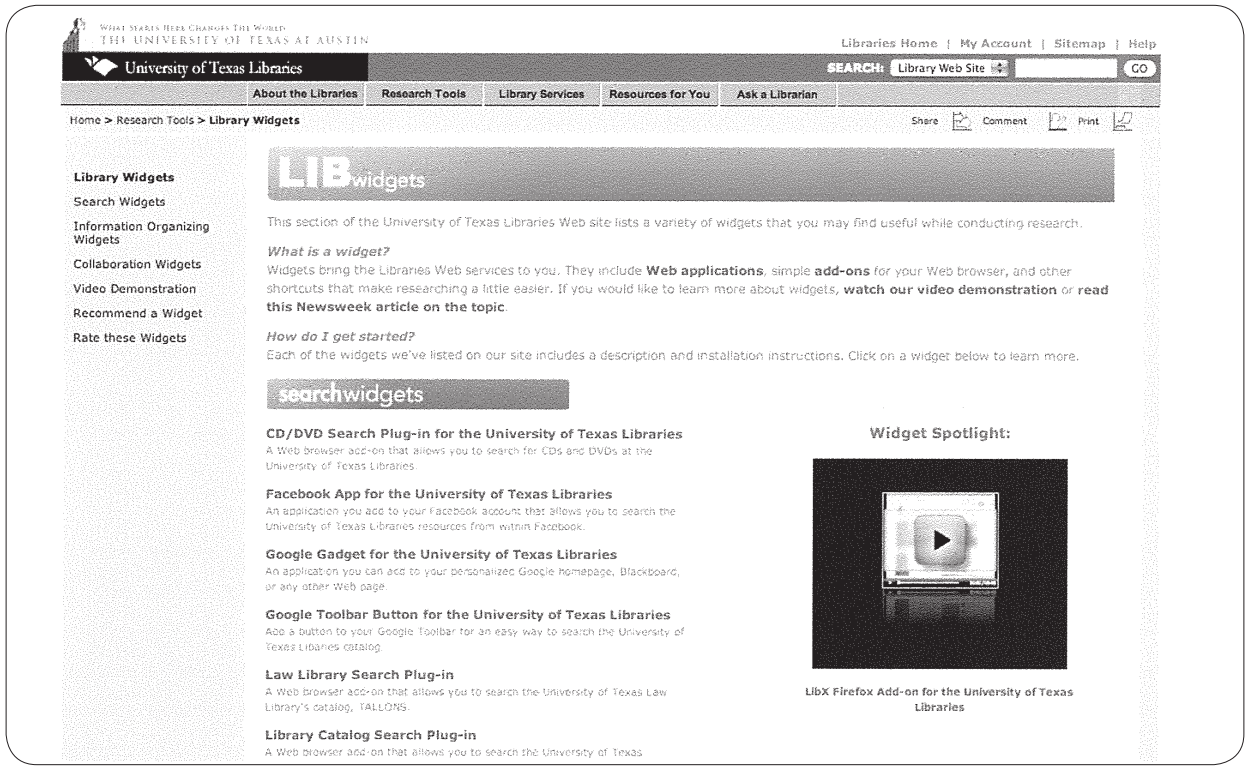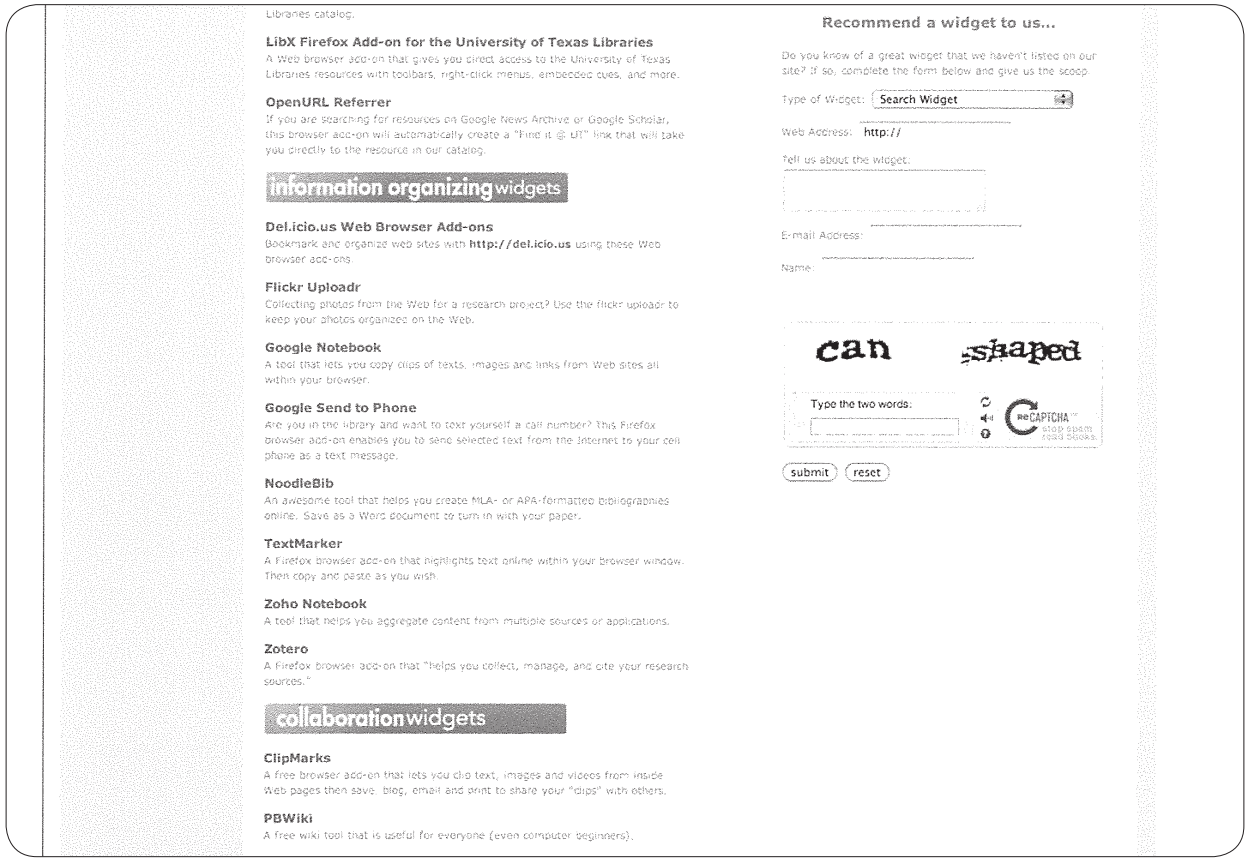
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