



OCLC Developer Network

Join this global community of developers who innovate, collaborate and create apps through the OCLC WorldShare™ Platform to enhance library applications. The Developer Network improves the value of OCLC® membership for everyone because it encourages people to share ideas and fosters creativity at a network level.



What is the OCLC WorldShare Platform?

The OCLC WorldShare Platform is the technical infrastructure on which OCLC’s Webscale services are built. It provides tools and services for library data via APIs and other Web services. Through the Platform, libraries, developers and partners can build and share apps that streamline and enhance library workflows. The WorldShare™ Platform lets you browse and install apps directly into subscribed OCLC services, and build and share apps that don’t require OCLC at all.

Production-level read/write and read-only APIs available on the WorldShare Platform now include:

- **Web Services:** APIs that relate to OCLC WorldShare™ Management Services: Acquisitions, Circulation, Collection Management, NCIP and Vendor Information Center
- **WorldCat® Search API:** Search and retrieval of bibliographic records in WorldCat, along with information on related library locations
- **WorldCat® Basic API:** A simplified version, with formatted citations and a link to WorldCat.org
- **WorldCat® Registry APIs:** Basic and detailed information about more than 90,000 institutions; the OpenURL Gateway is part of the Registry
- **WorldCat® Identities:** Uses name/subject authority headings and bibliographic data to show a writer or character’s “footprint” in libraries
- **WorldCat® knowledge base API:** E-resource discovery and linking for content
- **Identifier Services:** xISBN, xISSN and xOCLCnum supply standard record identifiers associated with an individual intellectual work in WorldCat
- **QuestionPoint® knowledge base:** Q and A pairs saved for future re-use in FAQs and searches.

Developers at libraries with active subscriptions to one or more OCLC products can access **all** of the WorldShare Platform APIs in a test environment.

The OCLC Developer Network

The **OCLC Developer Network** is an open access group that fosters dialogue, collaboration and events such as WorldCat mashathons, workshops, office hours and other activities. The goal of the Developer Network is to create a space where developers and librarians can connect, improve the landscape of library data management and to give members a chance to influence the direction and plans for the WorldShare Platform and associated APIs.

How to Join the Developer Network

- Membership in the network is free and open to any developer in the library services industry, and to any other informed, interested user
- **Join the Developer Network** by creating a free account on the Developer Network site, www.oclc.org/developer/
- On the site, you can browse available Web services, download code libraries and widgets, see new applications, join a group, find upcoming events and read the latest blog posts
- Subscribe to the Developer Network listserv **WC-DEVNET-L listserv** at <https://www3.oclc.org/app/listserv/>.

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