



Taking Control using Academic SimplyE: Our Journey to an Open Reading Landscape

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SimplyE









Simple
Library branding
Collection
management
Accessibility
Privacy

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Houston Public Library









All eBooksAudiobooks

How Does Your Garden Grow?











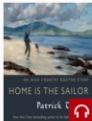
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Create Something!



More...

Fiction



More...

Nonfiction

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SimplyE @ Amigos

Hosting since Fall 2019

Strengthen libraries' ability to serve their communities



National, nonprofit consortium

Continuing education, online conferences & events, consulting, vendor discounts, courier, DOAJ, SimplyE

SimplyE

Currently host over 145 libraries

E-Read Texas service:

- Texas State Library
- Ebook/audiobook collection
- Public libraries serving < 100,000

Concordia University Texas

- SAML Authentication (Microsoft)
- E-Read Texas collection

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345 public libraries in production

2 academic libraries live!
1 more in May!

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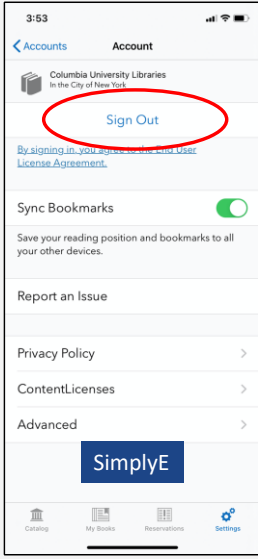
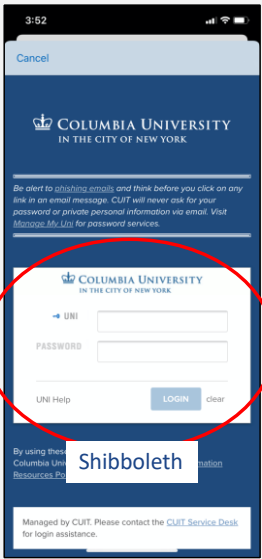
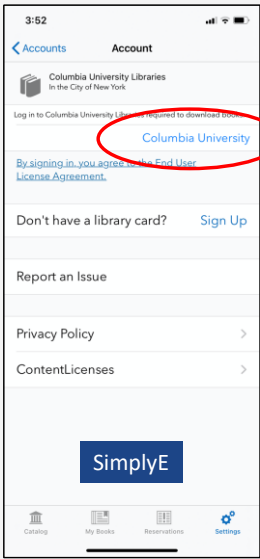
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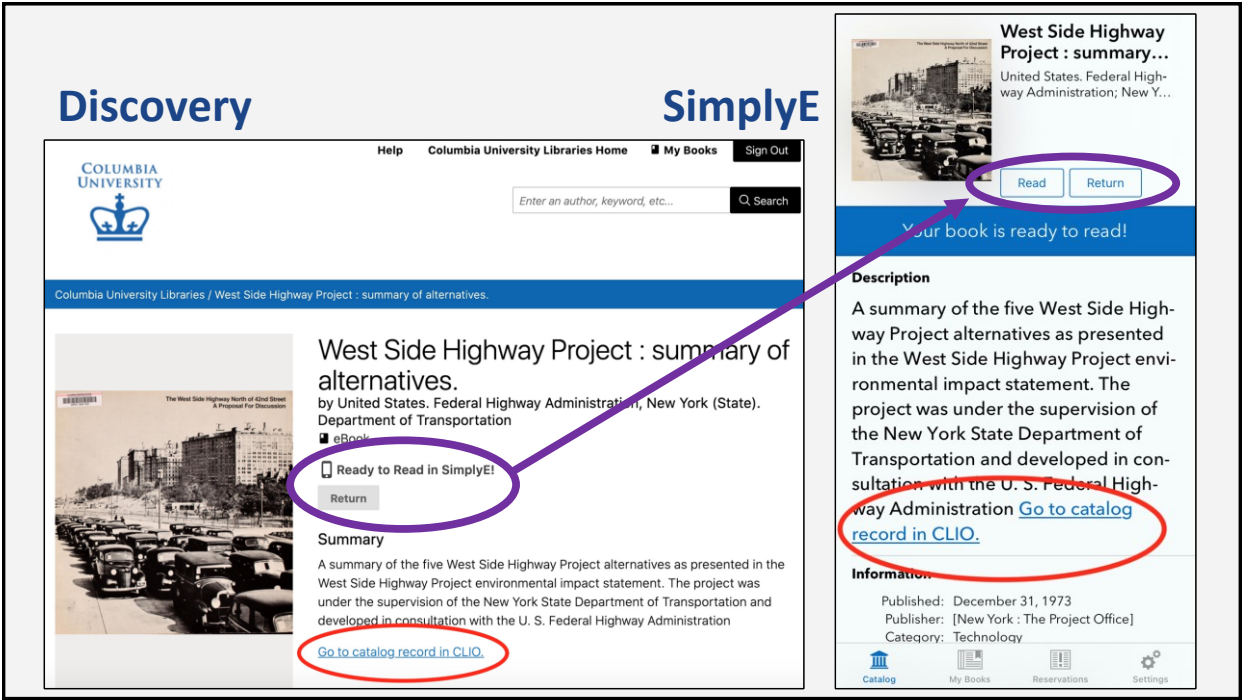
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Goal:
Transform academic
reading experience

- SAML Authentication (Shibboleth)
- Lyris-hosted Circulation Manager
- Blacklight-based CLIO Unified Discovery
- 23,000 Licensed & Open Access Ebooks
 - Non-DRM PDF and EPUB
 - Licensed - University Presses, Casalini
 - Open Access Ebooks - OAPEN
 - CUL Digital Collections
- Next 3-6 months include:
 - Non-DRM Springer, ProQuest, Taylor & Francis, EBSCO, Columbia Univ Press, MIT Press
- Next:
 - DRM via LCP using EBSCO & ProQuest
- By FY2023, 50,000 users and 1,000,000 ebooks

Shibboleth Authentication





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SimplyE for NYU

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Goal:
Improve user experience
using open standards &
software

- SAML Authentication (inCommon)
- Lyrasis-hosted Circulation Manager
- 150,000 ebooks
 - DRM and DRM-free
 - EPUB format only
 - Licensed through Proquest Ebook Central
 - Unlimited user license
- Pilot extended through August 2022

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Ebook Central

13 clicks to read ebook if user needs to create accounts

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SimplyE

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Support Open Standards & Software

- SimplyE, Library Simplified, open source software
- SAML authentication (SSO), EduPerson, inCommon
- OPDS 2.0 metadata standards
- EPUB ebook standard
- Radium LCP Digital Rights Management
- Support limited-copy lending
 - NYU sharing with Shanghai, Abu Dhabi campuses
 - PALCI consortial sharing, ILL with ReShare
 - SAML
- LCP
 - Replace Adobe Content Server
 - No per-use transaction fees
 - Extensible development
- Future project exploration

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It's a Journey . . .

- Leverage open source software through open standards to:
 - Interoperate with metadata, authentication and content
 - Integrate with other services
 - Sustain the effort
- Involve vendors
- Influence market with core library values

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