Aspire Reading Lists: what's new for 2025-2026

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Reminder: lists for new modules, lists for existing/returning modules

Update: Talis Engage on hold

Coming soon: New bookmarking page

Professional Pathways project: broken links

Essentials recap

Any questions

* Is a reading list Yes ? required for the teaching of this module?

New modules

Indicative bibliography (Essential)

Weaver, D.B. (2006). Sustainable Tourism:

Theory and Practice. Routledge.

Mowforth, M., & Munt, I. (2015). Tourism and sustainability: Development, Globalisation and New Tourism in the Third World. Routledge.

Indicative bibliography (Further Reading)

> If this is a new module and it is approved by the AU approval deadline, readings added to the indicative bibliographies will be added to a new Aspire reading list by Library staff.

The reading list will be published, linked to the module in Blackboard and the resources purchased.

If your new module is approved by the AU deadline

Library staff will

- create a new reading list for your module in Aspire
- populate it with the readings you added in Module Management
- publish the list
- link it to the appropriate module in Blackboard
- buy the books and digitise any extracts required in time for teaching

Once the reading list has been created, you can add to it or change it yourself in Aspire

Existing / returning reading lists

- Reading lists for returning modules have been retrieved from the Aspire archive and republished
- Any reading lists for existing and returning modules been linked to Blackboard modules
- Empty reading lists have been created in Aspire for 2025-2026 modules by Library staff if no list present

Teachers' LibGuide: Update your Aspire Reading Lists

Welcome

New teaching staff

Acquiring library resources

Aspire reading lists for new modules

Update your Aspire Reading Lists

Services available to you and your students

Before you start

- Create your Aspire profile
- · Add the Aspire extension to your browser

Create and publish

- · Create your module reading list
- Add sections
- · Add a book from Primo

Update: Talis Engage on hold

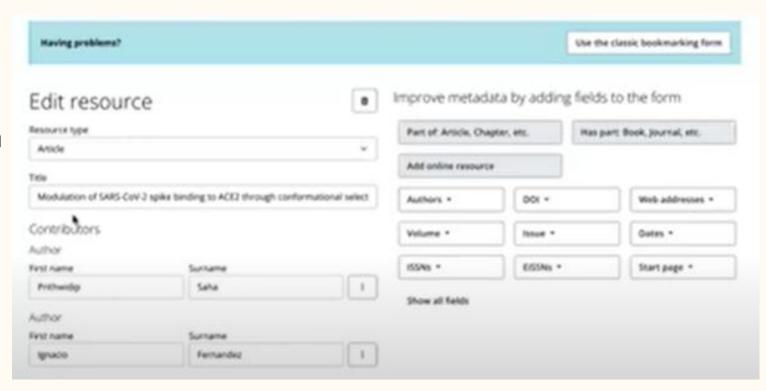
- Allows upload of documents, images, PDFs and Epubs
- Class commenting on uploaded reading list item content for live use in class or as a pre/post class activity

On hold until a viable copyright-clearance workflow is in place.

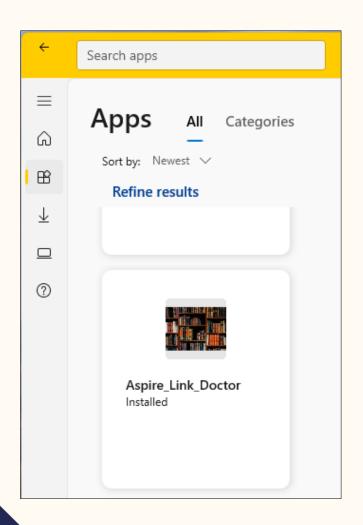
Do get in touch if you would like to be involved in any testing, pilot use etc. come the time

Coming soon: new bookmarking features

- Preview the bookmark before adding it
- New editing screen which displays menu options as a grid on the right



Professional Pathways project: broken links



- App built by final year Computer Science student Kirill Kulikovskii who developed a Python script created by Tim Graves at the University of Sussex
- Detects broken links in Aspire reading list items
- Optimised for the most popular resource types
- Available for library staff to download from the Company Portal

Improvements to Aspire Reading Lists

- New bookmarking screen
- Change to list status display
- Rolling publish button
- Export lists to Word
- Now supports multiple list owners

Essentials recap

- Sections for Aspire lists & Blackboard modules
- Bookmarking extension for your browser
- Request your digitisations
- Advised deadlines

Any questions?

For help or training in the use of Aspire please contact Academic Engagement team: librarians@aber.ac.uk or your subject librarian https://www.aber.ac.uk/en/is/library-services/librarians/

Aspire reading lists: https://aber.rl.talis.com/

Python script for link checking: https://support.talis.com/hc/en-gb/articles/21982621297053-Automating-

Aspire-link-checking-using-Advanced-MIS

FAQ add sections to your Aspire reading lists https://faqs.aber.ac.uk/en/525

FAQ add links to reading list sections in your Blackboard module

https://faqs.aber.ac.uk/index.php?id=1494

FAQ requesting extracts to be digitised https://faqs.aber.ac.uk/index.php?language=en&id=2661

FAQ add the Talis extension to your browser https://faqs.aber.ac.uk/en/761

Teachers' LibGuide https://libguides.aber.ac.uk/teachers

