In order to access Library resources when off-campus, you must be verified as an eligible user of the resource. This is done through OpenAthens, EZproxy, or a combination of the two. These authentication tools, along with links that have been configured to direct you to log in, will ensure you can access all Library resources with no issues.

Where should I start to look for books, journals, or databases?

The Library web site: https://www.lsuhsc.edu/library

Here you will find links to the Library Catalog, Databases, and other resources.

If you access a site directly without going through the Library, you may be able to log in using OpenAthens, but it is not supported by all publishers.

What is the difference between OpenAthens and EZproxy?

Both let you authenticate when off-campus. OpenAthens uses your LSUHSC-NO full e-mail address and password, while EZproxy uses your Library barcode and PIN. You can also log in to EZproxy using OpenAthens. EZproxy is your library barcode and password, and OpenAthens is your LSUHSC-NO full e-mail address and password.

What is the difference between EZproxy and OpenAthens?

Supported by all publishers, log in using OpenAthens. This is not log in using EZproxy. If you log in to the Library using EZproxy, you may be able to download library links if you are a Library user. This library web site:

Information on student ID is essential. If you lose your ID, you will be unable to access Library resources.

Library resources will be available online. If you have a Library barcode, you can access all Library resources.

In order to access Library resources, you will need to use a Library barcode.

If you forget your PIN, you will need to contact the Library during working hours to have it reset.

Common Error Messages

- Library Card Expired: Contact Library Staff.
- Access Denied: Privileges do not allow access.
- Incorrect Login: Barcode or PIN incorrect.
- Sorry, the information you submitted is invalid: you typed your name or barcode incorrectly.
- Your PIN must be at least 6 characters and alphanumeric: PIN must be at least 6 characters and alphanumeric.

It is not required to have a Library barcode, but a barcode is required for Library resources.

If you have a Library barcode, you can register for a Library barcode for off-campus access to the Libraries. To register for an off-campus barcode, please complete the form at https://www.lsuhsc.edu/library/services/docs/PatronRegistrationForm.pdf.
Logging in with OpenAthens

Your PIN needs to be at least 6 characters and contain both letters and numbers.

When prompted to choose an organisation, search for LSU and choose LSU Health Sciences Center Library.

Enter your complete LSUHSC-NO email address (name@lsuhsc.edu) and your current password.

If you go to a resource that supports OpenAthens without using one of the Library’s links, you will need to identify your institution:

Logging in through EZproxy