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Acquisitions Workflows Bootcamp

(3 hour session)

This session will expose attendees to end-to-end acquisitions workflows and best practices. Topics include: purchasing workflows, receiving print material workflows, and invoicing.

What's Wrong With This Link?

A cross-product look at understanding and troubleshooting common full-text access problems across Alma, Primo, Summon, SFX, and 360 Link.

Designing and Using Normalization Rules

Learn the different options & parameters used in normalization rule syntax, and review actual customer examples to see how they apply to importing into a repository, running jobs, and exporting in a published profile.

Introduction to Analytics

We'll begin the introduction to analytics by running several of the out-of-the-box analyses and editing the requested output to make the results more useful. In addition to reviewing the basic mechanics of editing these reports, we'll build several simple analyses.

Resource Types in Primo

An end-to-end session on how to modify resource types using normalization rules and facet configuration for Local, Multi-Tenant, and Dedicated-Direct Primo customers.

Integrating Alma with Self-Check Out Machines

This session will review the technical requirements and configuration options available for using self-checkout machines with Alma. You'll leave this session with an checklist of how to get started and a template for troubleshooting technical issues.

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Fulfillment Configuration: Cause and Effect

Understanding the configuration basics of fulfillment is crucial for properly setting up a system that best reflects the library policies and procedures and is best aligned with the patrons' service expectations. In this session, we will uncover the basics of setting up a fulfillment system, focusing on basic physical and electronic fulfillment configurations.

Configuring and Using Brief Record Levels Functionality

Understanding the "brief level rules," and how they can be used for activities like flagging for further enrichment, determining records to be merged/overlaid, creating alerts during POL creation.

Advanced Analytics: Acquisitions

During this advanced analytics topics session, the focus will be on all things Acquisitions. We'll create several analyses:

- A list of new titles received/activated in the past month
- A budget summary
- Cost changes of subscriptions

Demystifying Analytics for Discovery in Summon and Primo

The analytics tools in Summon and Primo can reveal in-depth information about how your discovery tool is being used, what patrons are searching for, and more. In this session we'll review the information available to you to help get a better understanding of user behavior and inform librarians of user actions.

Using Alma Publishing Profiles: OCLC and Google Scholar

Alma has the ability to publish bibliographic and holdings metadata beyond your standard discovery tool. You'll leave this session with an understanding of how Alma publishes metadata to external sources with an emphasis publishing to OCLC and Google Scholar.

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Monday, April 29

Session Info

1:30pm–3:00pm

Managing Electronic Resources: The Basics

This session will expose attendees to management of electronic resources and best practices in general. Topics covered include:

- Acquiring electronic resources
- Activating electronic collections and portfolios
- Testing and confirming access to e-resources

Advanced Analytics: Resource Management

During this advanced analytics topics session, the focus will be on all things Resource Management. We'll create several analyses:

- Electronic collections content
- Number of Bib records overlaid, merged, created, updated, or deleted by operator
- Identifying Bib records containing multiple ISBNs

Working with Sets and Jobs in Alma

Identifying and grouping sets of records together based on specific criteria is critical for managing your print, electronic, and digital resources. In this interactive session, explore how and when to build logical versus itemized record sets. And, learn how to run and monitor jobs to bulk update the records in your sets.

Primo and Primo VE New UI Customization

Understanding the basics of creating and uploading customization packages to get the most out of the Primo New UI.

Refining Overdue and Lost Loan Profiles

Learn how to more effectively manage lost loan and overdue profiles in Alma so that you can better communicate with your patrons. This session will expand your ability design rules to automate the creation of patron notices, fees and blocks with customized letters.

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Learn how to use and navigate the new Ex Libris developer network and get started with Alma APIs, including the APIs and integrations documentation, as well as configuring the API Console, and reviewing some powerful API examples.

Primo Restful APIs

An in-depth review of Primo APIs for all Primo customers.

Integrating with Bursar Systems

This session will review the technical requirements and configuration options available for integrating with Bursar systems with Alma. You'll leave this session with an checklist of how to get started and a template for troubleshooting technical issues.

Managing Electronic Resources: Advanced Topics

If you are experienced in managing e-resources in Alma, and want to learn more ways to leverage Alma's workflows and options, this session is for you. Topics covered include:

- Leveraging Alma's evaluation workflows by managing trials
- Creating electronic inventory by using import profiles
- De-activating and deleting e-resources
- Configuring and maintaining e-resources

Demystifying Analytics for Discovery in Alma

The data available in Alma Analytics can provide key insights into how the library operates. In this session we'll explore some of the ways to utilize that information in the library's decision making and how to take action based on your findings.

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Fundamentals of Resource Sharing

Alma's resource sharing options come in many flavors, reflecting the different services libraries suggest to patrons, and the different back-office procedures and systems that are involved in the process. In this session, we will look at the different flavors of resource sharing (broker-based, peer-to-peer, and fulfillment networks), compare and contrast their benefits and workflows, and discuss configuration options.

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Primo VE Normalization

The session will review two types of Primo VE normalization rules. First, we will discuss the ways of modifying the display fields of your records in Primo VE to change how they are displayed in your discovery layer. Second, we will show how to write normalization rules for external data profiles that are stored in Dublin Core or XML formats. Examples and best practices will be presented for both normalization types.

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Advanced Resource Sharing

A resource sharing process may come in different modes and reflect a variety of different patron expectations and library policies. In this session, we will take a look at some of options that are under the hood, and what they allow you to implement.

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Loading External Data Sources to Primo VE

An introduction to external data sources, including configuring import profiles and normalization processes for Primo VE customers.

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Letter Configuration and XSL Customization

Letters sent via Alma may be configured in multiple ways. In this session we will show how to add fields to the letters which are not in the default versions. We will also use advanced XSL features to add fields on condition, change the formatting of the text, concatenate fields, and add conditions in the XSL whether or not to print the letter. All examples will be done live and we will see the configuration and results together. While making these changes we will see how to preview configuration changes to the XSL before actually sending the letter.

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Configuring Automation Tasks for Summary Holdings

Configuring and using Automation Tasks to update summary holdings to maximize the benefit to the end user in discovery.

Advanced Analytics: Fulfillment

During this advanced analytics topics session, the focus will be on all things Fulfillment. We'll create several analyses:

- Items on loan to users
- Number of loans over time by classification code/range
- Fines/fee aging report

Primo and Primo VE Analytics and Dashboards

Learn how to use Primo Analytics to analyze patron usage and run reports on Primo activities. See how this new feature can provide information on how to improve discovery and delivery in Primo.

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