ACI Scholarly Blog Index
Scholarly Blog Discovery Service
Web Connects Researchers & Bloggers
ACI Connects Bloggers with Researchers Who Are Also Bloggers

Instantaneous dissemination & collaboration
Scholarly Blogs have a role in the research process. According to OCLC, blogs play a role in pre- and post-publication discussion of research outcomes. 

Source: Stewardship of the Evolving Scholarly Record: From the Invisible Hand to Conscious Coordination by OCLC Research
Problem
Identifying Authoritative Social Media

Each academic player faces the same challenge.
Solution
ACI Scholarly Blog Index

Updated real-time
Over 2 million stories and growing
Over 10,000 editorially curated, authoritative blogs
5,000 to 10,000 blog posts per week
ACI Editorial Process
How ACI Selects Blogs

Search
- Search the Internet for scholarly blogs
- Review research, academic and government sites

Select
- Original scholarship
- Intellectual commentary
- Advances in academic theories or findings

Compile
- Author credentials
- Author social connections
- Assign subject classification & authoritative indicator

Approve
- Approve or reject blog selection
- Review author credentials and subject classification

Curate
- Ensure quality
- Balance the collection of blogs on important topics and in subject classifications

Managing Editors
Editors
Researchers
PhDs, MAs, and MLSs
ACI Scholarly Bloggers From Top Research Institutions
Scholarly Bloggers Profiled

Social Network Profiles:
- LinkedIn: Yes (13,227) [80%], No (6,156) [20%]
- Twitter: Yes (4,933), No (1,259)
- Facebook: Yes (6,156), No (3,659)

Academic Network Profiles:
- Academia.edu: Yes (3,991)
- ORCID: Yes (1,259)
- ISNI: Yes (3,737)
- Scopus: Yes (3,737)

Position at an Institution:
- Yes (13,640) [74%], No (4,761) [26%]

Graduate Degree:
- Yes (13,912) [76%], No (4,489) [26%]

Data as of 20 Sept 2016
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<td>Bridge to Journal Literature</td>
<td>The blog posts are scholarly, many written by PhDs, and cover a broader topic than an individual journal article focused on one research outcome.</td>
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<td>Critical Thinking &amp; Information Literacy</td>
<td>Since many blog posts include opinion, they are a good source to use when teaching students how to identify bias and think critically using a collection of credentialed, authoritative bloggers.</td>
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<td>Current Awareness</td>
<td>This blog collection covers commentary on breaking academic developments and provide insight into scholarly trends.</td>
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<td>Topical Resources Promote Faculty Scholarship</td>
<td>For faculty, ACI presents a concise and current list of topical resources, written by scholars, for updating a course and creating reading lists for students than can be shared with a class.</td>
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Audience Engagement & Analytics

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“I use the ACI Scholarly Blog Index to find out about research developments in my field. Our university is establishing a digital humanities program and in a rapidly developing field like DH, a research tool like this is critical to finding out what others are doing now—not months later when an article is finally submitted to a peer-review journal.”

Marta Deyrup, Ph.D.
University Librarian, Seton Hall University

“I believe that blogging is an excellent opportunity for scholars to reach an audience that does not usually read their original academic papers published in journals.”

Jalees Rehman, MD
Associate Professor of Medicine and Pharmacology, University of Illinois, Chicago and ACI author. Science Blogger at SciLogs.com
“Students in Advanced Writing in the Disciplines, and those in the technical professions use [ACI] in finding models of professional blogs. The index helps them understand how discourse works in their discourse community in a genre that is accessible and that allows them to practice contributing to the body of knowledge in their field.”

Dania Dwyer
Assistant Director, Writing Program; Doctoral Candidate in English
Northeastern University
What Librarians & Faculty Are Saying

Archaeology

This guide will help you find sources on archaeology.

Archaeology in the News

- Archaeologies: News (updated daily)
- News Network Archaeology
- Past Horizons

AcI Blog Index: Recent Posts on Archaeology

- ACI Scholarly Blog Index
  Curated, growing collection of scholarly social media postings. Includes authors' credentials & their social media connections. Features include tools for sharing, citation management, discussion, bookmarking & list creation. Create an account to use premium features, including access to full-text.

- 12 Things to Watch Before They Leave Netflix in October
- New findings give insight into life and death of 5000-year-old mummy

Archaeology & Anthropology Blogs

- Doug's Archaeology: Great Archaeology Blogs
  Links to more than 900 blogs on all aspects of the discipline.
- Past Thinking
- Top 30 Archaeology Blogs
- Middle Savagery
- Savage Minds
  "Group blog that has been writing about sociocultural anthropology since 2005.
- Ancient Bodies, Ancient Lives
  Blog by Rosemary A. Joyce explores "material traces of past lives help us understand sex and gender in the past."

New findings give insight into life and death of 5000-year-old mummy

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Mummy at the archaeological site. Credit: Paul Harby

The copper used to make the axe blade of 5,000-year-old mummy Ozi did not come from the Alpine region as had previously been supposed, but from Timna in southern Transylvania. Ozi was probably not involved in working the metal himself, as the high levels of arsenic and copper found in his hair and nails indicate. His murder over 5,000 years ago seems to have been brought about due to a personal conflict a few days before his demise, and the man from the ice, despite his normal weight and active lifestyle, suffered from extensive vascular calcification. Scientists from all over the world presented these and other new insights, at the recent International Mummy Congress in Bozen-Bolzano. To celebrate the 25th anniversary of Ozi's discovery, the three days of the Congress, from 19th to 21st September, are all dedicated to the man from the ice.
How ACI Fits Into Your Library

We’ve seen two buying patterns emerge from ACI’s subscribers.

As a Collection—Libraries are subscribing to our product to add a collection of scholarly blogs to complement their other scholarly resources.

As a Discovery Service—Libraries subscribe to ACI to use as a finding aid and discovery service for scholarly blogs.

You decide what’s best for your library!
Launched in 2015, focuses on scholarly blogs

**Researchers** – Find, cite, share and follow blog articles from authoritative and credentialed scholars in your field of study

**Librarians** – Bring ACI’s scholarly blog discovery service and research workflow tools to your campus
Partner with your faculty and promote their research and blogs.

**Blog Authors** – Share your research and scholarship with a global community of researchers
ACI Scholarly Blog Index is sold by subscriptions, one- and two-year subscriptions are available.

Pricing is based on FTE student enrollment, new subscriber discounts are available as well as a consortial discount.

NISO’s SERU is used in lieu of a license.

30, 60, or 90-day trials are available. [http://aci.info/scholarly-blogs/librarians/](http://aci.info/scholarly-blogs/librarians/)

Institutions will have own domain, access is by IP range and email.

Institution-specific analytics are available.
How ACI Fits Into Your Library

Live Demo
ACI Scholarly Blog Index

Search: Simple and Advanced Full Text or Abstract & Link to Original Navigation Facets Author Profiles & ORCID Links Citation Tools Export Tools Sharing Tools Bookmarks Lists Alerts via RSS Google Extension Support ACI Mobile
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