# **Roux News – Special Open Athens Edition**

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## First, the "TL;DR":

Beginning December 16, 2019, when you access any of Roux Library's electronic resources (such as databases, e-books, or streaming video) you will be asked to log in using your Engage username and password (Network login for faculty).

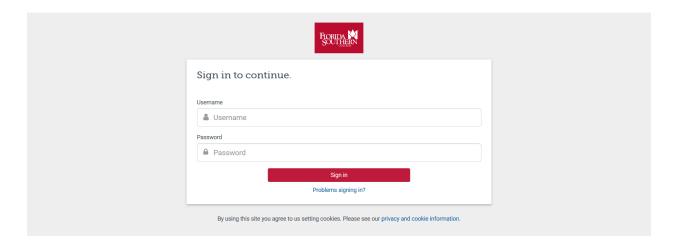
# Why is this happening?

Changing the login system for the library will have a number of benefits for students and faculty. You will now have a more consistent experience using library resources, regardless of whether you start on the Roux website, Google Scholar, or somewhere else. You will also gain access to additional features in many of our databases, such as folders, saved searches, and more – all without having to register additional accounts!

## And now, some technical stuff:

What is Open Athens? Open Athens is an authentication and resource access system that verifies your right to access the electronic resources provided by Roux Library.

When you use a database by following the link from the Roux Library website, the Open Athens login page will automatically appear. Simply enter your username and password, and you will be forwarded to the correct page. You will not need to log in again unless you end your browser session.



Open Athens also allows you to login to databases from anywhere on the internet. This means that if you have found an article from a Google search, or type in the URL directly (e.g., www.jstor.org), your access can be authenticated at the publisher's site. You will need to locate a sign-in area to do so (more below).

# How to sign in:

When you encounter the login screen, enter your Engage (Network) username and password. Please note, this is different than your Portal username and password. The username should be the first letter of your first name followed by your last name, optionally followed by a number. For example, if your name is John Smith, your username might be jsmith2. If you are unsure of your username or password, please contact the Rinker Technology Center at 863-616-6426.

You do not need to go through the library website in order to authenticate your access. If you have found an article through a Google search or through other means, you will need to locate the sign-in area on the site. Every publisher is different, but the Sign In or Login option usually appears in the top right corner of the screen. When you click the Sign In link, look for an area that says, "Sign in via your institution," or "Sign in with an Open Athens account." When prompted, search for Florida Southern College in the Find Your Organization field.



### **Bookmarks and Saved Links**

If you have saved links to specific resources, or bookmarked any Roux Library databases, those links may need to be updated with the Open Athens redirector prefix. A redirector prefix prompts a user to sign in through Open Athens before reaching the resource. Bookmarks and saved links created before December 18 contain an EZProxy redirector prefix. Any URL that contains "ezproxy" will not work after May 31, 2020. You may replace the EZProxy prefix with the Open Athens prefix in order to fix these links. The Open Athens prefix is below:

https://go.openathens.net/redirector/flsouthern.edu?url=

If you have any difficulty with saved links to library resources, please contact a librarian, who will be happy to help you set up new links.

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