

## Blackboard vs. ERes

- Blackboard allows you to provide your students online access to course materials, maintain grades, etc. **Blackboard does not monitor copyright issues.**
- ERes is an online reserve system to provide students with access to course materials. You can fax paper documents (articles, book chapters, class notes, old exams, homework solutions, etc.) to ERes to be converted to PDF and posted to your ERes course site. **Library staff will monitor copyright issues, seek permission, and pay royalties if necessary.**
- Blackboard and ERes can be used simultaneously when you have copyrighted material in ERes but also want to manage your course through Blackboard. It is easy to link to your ERes site so that your students have access to all of your course materials.

What do you want to do?	Blackboard	ERes
Link to full-text article in an MU Libraries subscribed database	Yes	Yes
Link to pre-defined search terms in MERLIN Catalog and MU Libraries Databases	Yes	Yes
Link to an issue of an online journal (free or MU subscribed)	Yes	Yes
Link to a RSS feed	Yes	Yes
Scanned article from a print journal	No	Yes
Link to article in an online book collection e.g., <u>Gale Virtual Reference Library</u>	Yes	Yes
Scanned book excerpt or chapter	Possibly, call 882-1101	Yes

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