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New to Auburn University is…

Discovery

A Single Search for [almost] Everything

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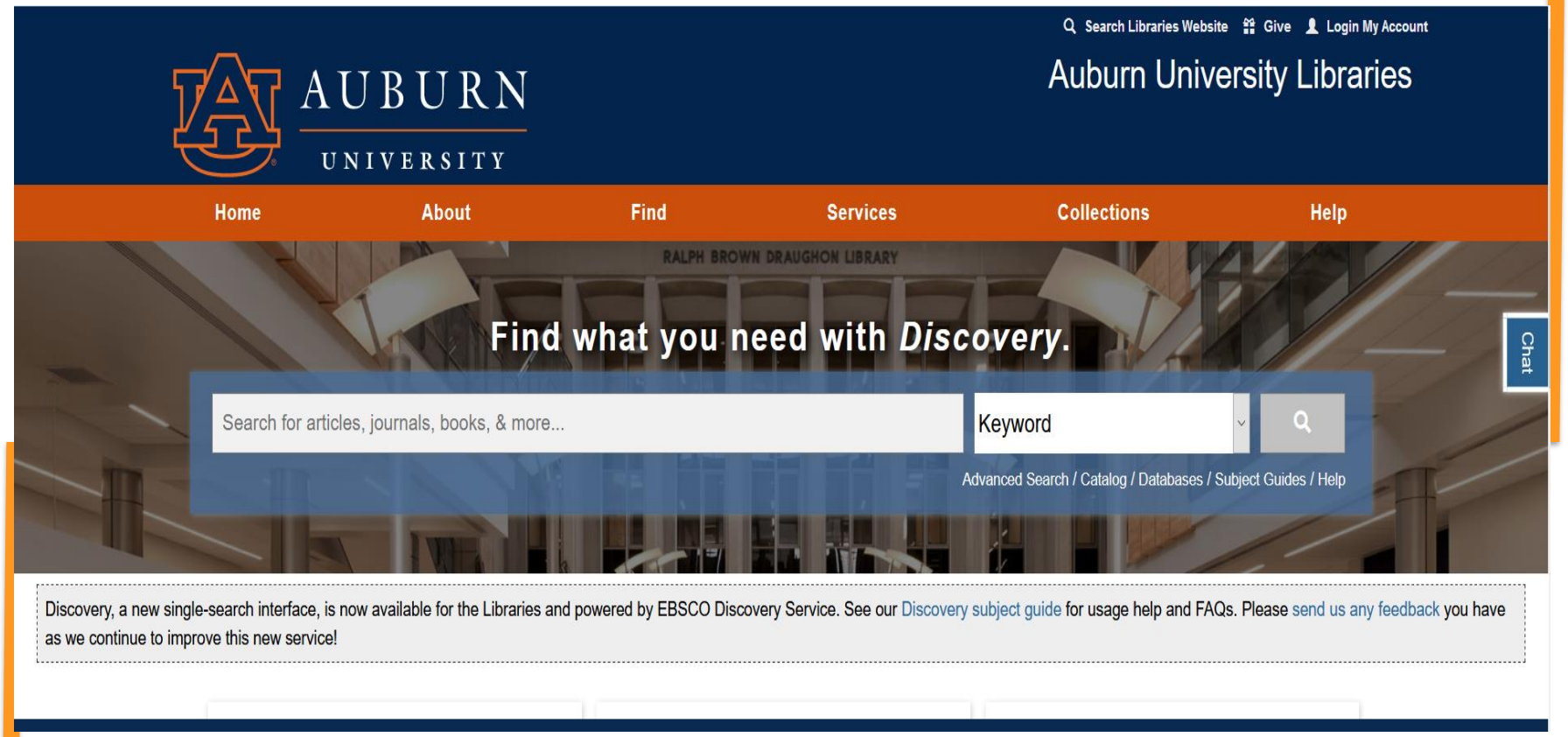

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Single search or Web-scale discovery refers to ...

"...tools that search seamlessly across a wide range of local and remote content and provide relevance-ranked results – have the ambitious goal of providing a single point of entry into a library's collections."

-Marshall Breeding

Source: Breeding, M. (2014). Web-scale Discovery Services. *American Libraries,* 45(1/2), 25.

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Other academic libraries with single search discovery services:

- Amherst College
- Boston Conservatory
- Brown University
- California Institute of Technology
- Case Western Reserve University
- Clemson University
- European University Institute
- Florida International University
- Georgia State University
- James Madison University
- Indiana University
- Iowa State University
- Louisiana State University
- Ohio University
- University of Alabama
- University of Florida
- University of Georgia
- University of Missouri-Columbia
- University of New Mexico
- University of Virginia
- Vanderbilt University
- Virginia Tech

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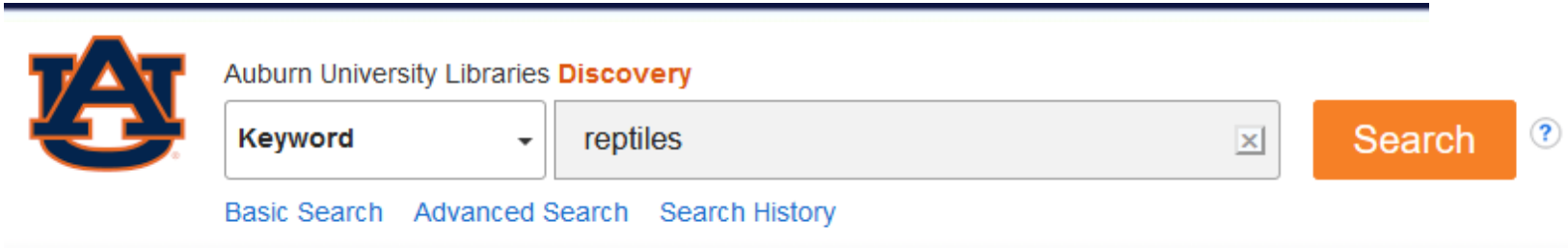
Auburn University Libraries chose the **EBSCO Discovery Service** as our single search tool.

EBSCO Industries is a privately held company based in Alabama that provides library and information services all over the world. EBSCO has provided financial support for many projects in the Libraries, including the Learning Commons.



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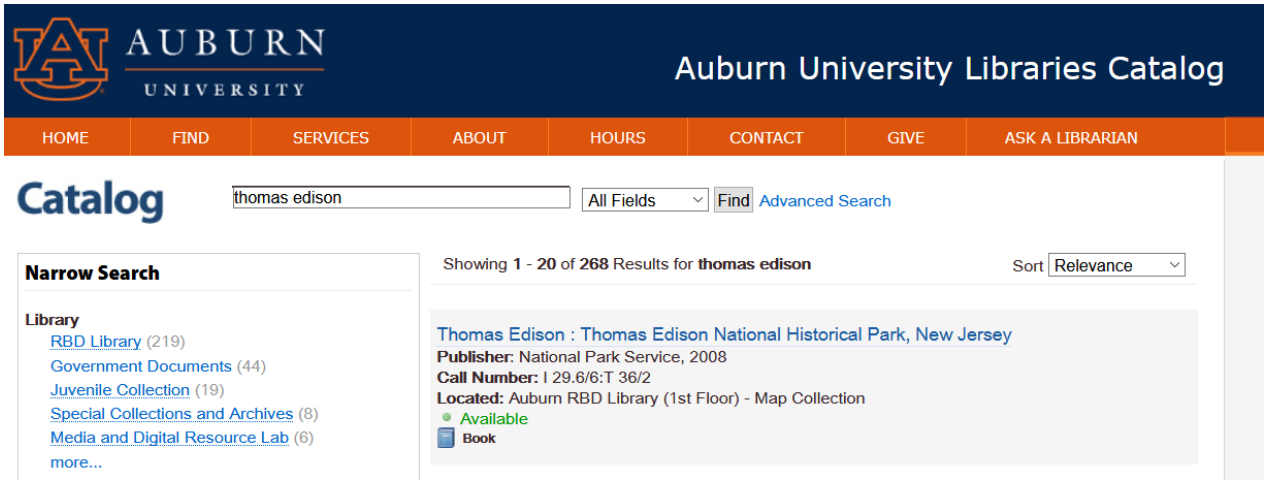
Library catalog [simplified]



- Searches **books** and most **audio-visual resources** by authors, titles, subjects

- Searches **journal titles** and subjects

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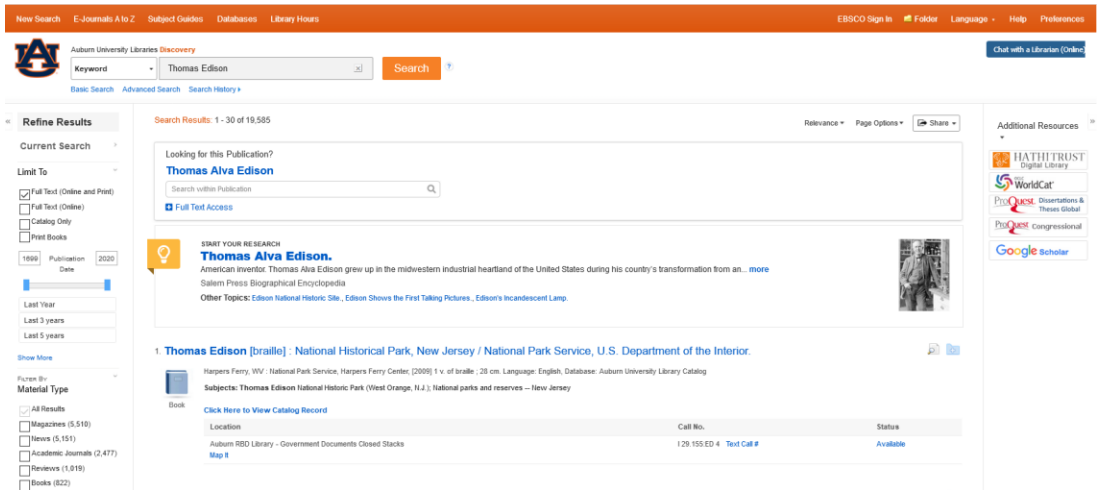

- Library catalog + **journal articles & book chapters**

- **Context-sensitive help**
  - ✓ Dynamic linking of **research starters**.
  - ✓ Integration of **subject guides** created by AU Libraries.

- **APIs** for additional resources

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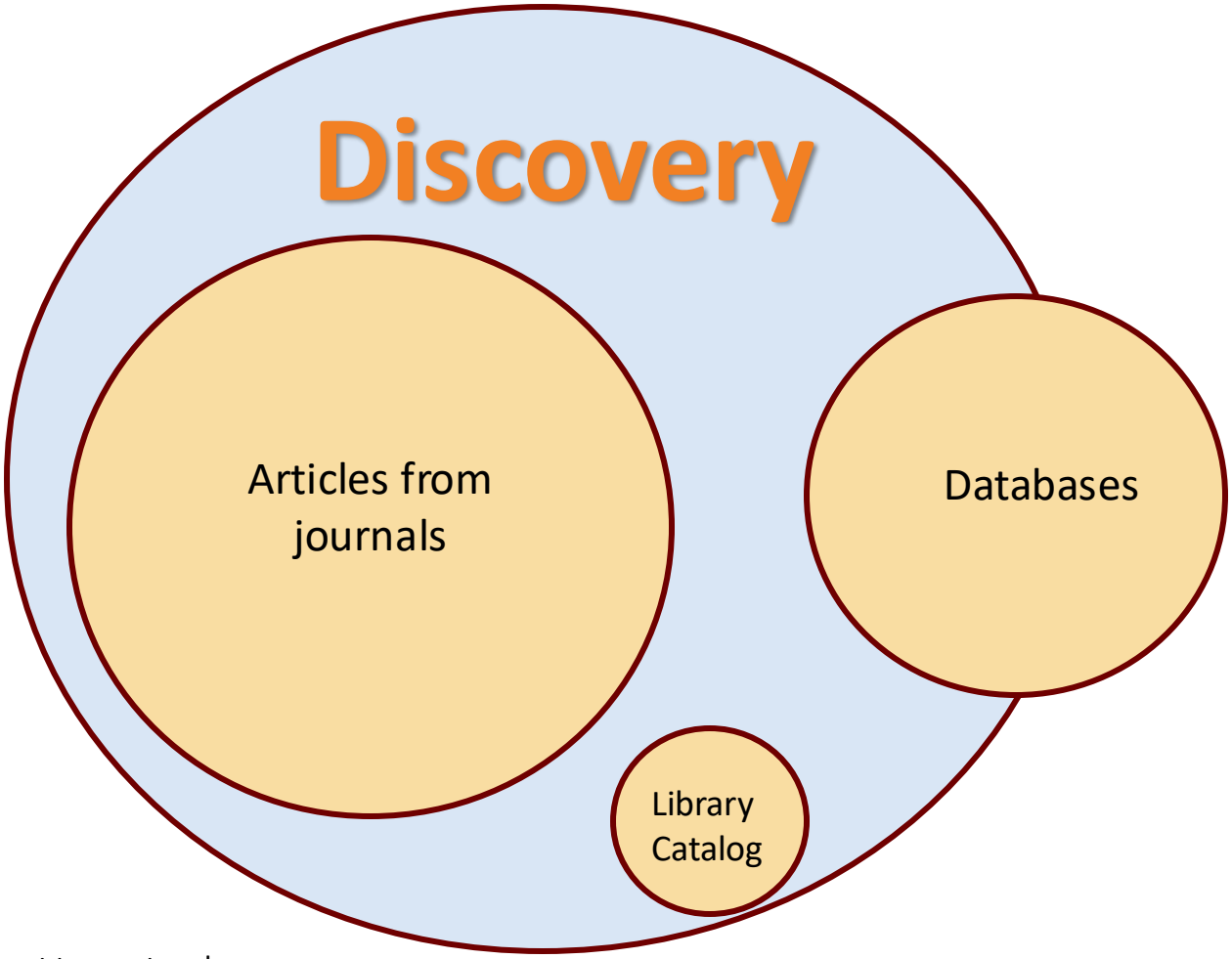
Comparing both…



Note: Diagram is not to exact scale

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Benefits to Students

- Provides a familiar single-box search approach
  - ✓ Graduate students who come to Auburn from other universities accustomed to using web-scale discovery services
- Searches for books and articles simultaneously
  - ✓ Helpful to undergraduates not yet aware of differences between subject databases and the library catalog
- Context-sensitive help

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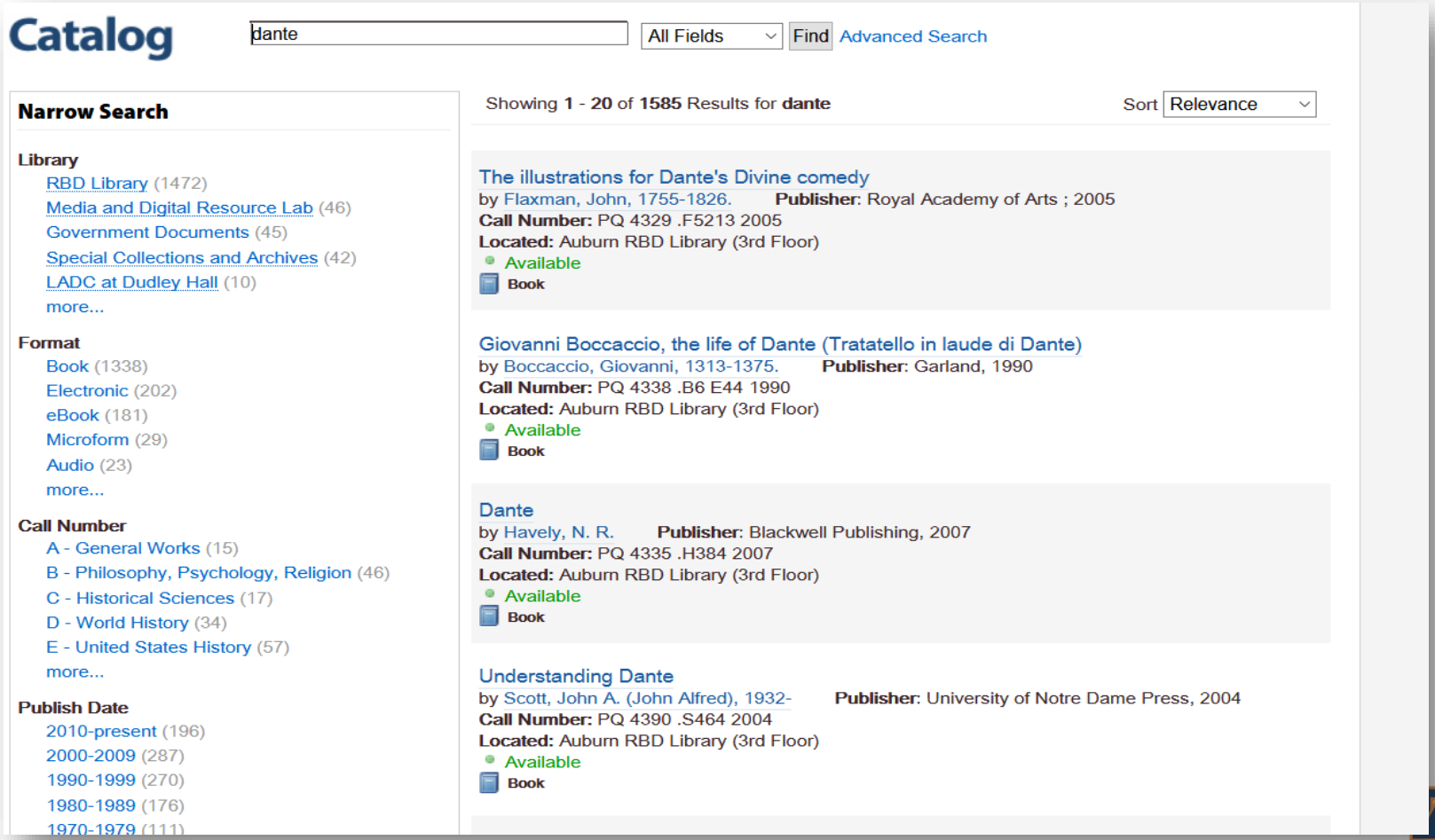
Library catalog



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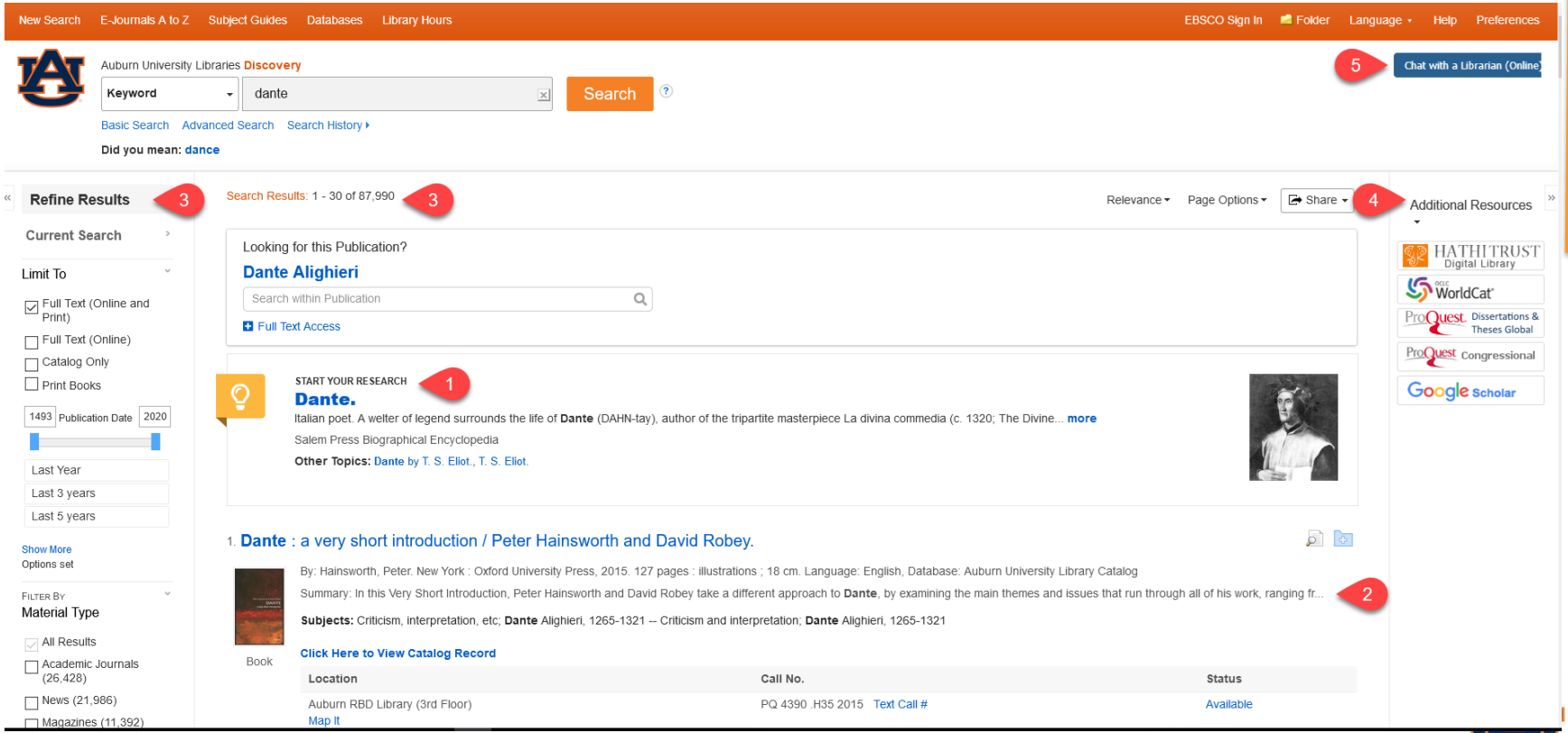

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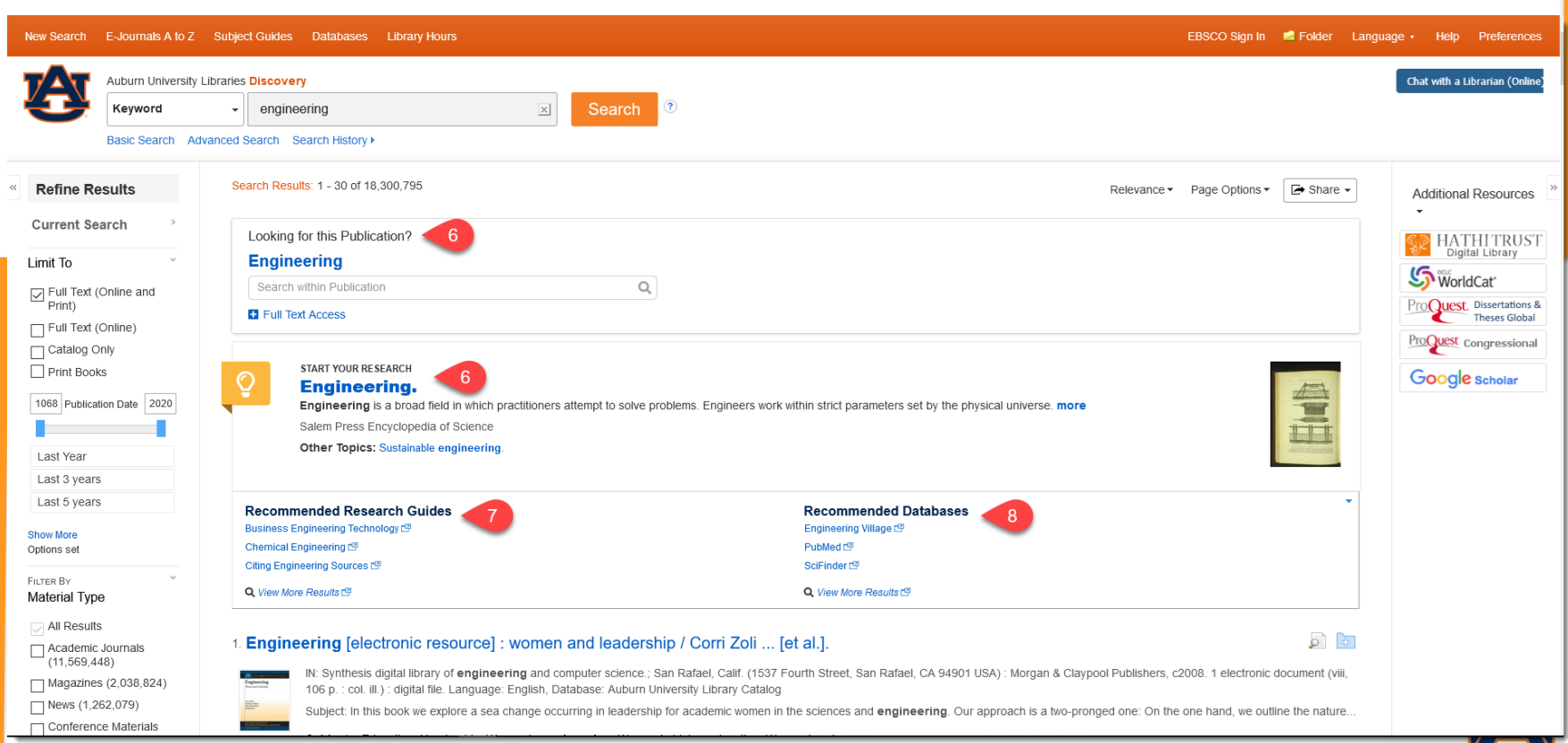

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Features for teaching and learning

1. Research starters
2. Thick metadata for searching
3. More search results with the ability to refine
4. Integration with additional resources
5. Chat with a librarian
6. Publication finder
7. Integrates subject guides created by AU research & instruction librarians.
8. Points to other relevant databases

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“I like the old way…”

- Library catalog still available
  - ✓ http://catalog.lib.auburn.edu/vufind/
- Subject databases still available
  - ✓ https://www.lib.auburn.edu/find/bytitle.php

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Questions or Comments?

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