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- Open Access ensures that students receive the best possible education without being arbitrarily limited.

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Open Access Week

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Listed are some of the Open Access resources available for the Faculty of Business and Management Sciences

Open Access Databases

(An electronic collection of published works)

Open Research Library

<https://openresearchlibrary.org/>

National Academies Press

<https://nap.nationalacademies.org/>

GreenFILE

<https://www.ebsco.com/products/research-databases/greenfile>

Ebsco and Open Access

<https://www.ebsco.com/open-access>

Dimensions Open

<https://www.dimensions.ai/products/all-products/dimensions-free-version/>

Web Search Engines

Google Scholar

<https://scholar.google.com/>

Open Access Repositories

(A collection of online institutional collections)

Directory of Open Access Repositories (openDOAR)

<https://beta.jisc.ac.uk/opendoar>

Database of African Theses and Dissertations and Research (DATAD-R)

<https://www.lib.auth.gr/en/datad>

Social Science Research Network (SSNR)

<https://www.ssrn.com/index.cfm/en/>

Open Access Theses and Dissertations

<https://oatd.org/>

World Bank Open Knowledge Repositories

<https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/>

arXiv

<https://arxiv.org/>

OA Data Repositories

(Databases that collect, manages, and store sensitive data sets for data analysis, sharing, and reporting)

World Bank

<https://databank.worldbank.org/>

UNdata

<https://data.un.org/>

Dimensions Open

<https://www.dimensions.ai/products/all-products/dimensions-free-version/>

OA Journals

Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ)

<https://doaj.org/>

Business Open Access Journals

<https://www.scirp.org/journal/ojbm/>

Open Access Journals (JSTOR)

<https://www.jstor.org/>

Businesses | An Open Access Journal from MDPI

<https://www.mdpi.com/journal/businesses>

Business Management - SpringerOpen

<https://www.springeropen.com/business-management>

Open Access Articles - Journal of Business Research Elsevier

<https://www.journals.elsevier.com/journal-of-business-research/open-access-articles>

SAGE Open

<https://journals.sagepub.com/home/sgo>

Taylor and Francis Online Open

<https://www.tandfonline.com/openaccess>

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Directory of Open Access Books (DOAB)

<https://www.doabooks.org/>

Taylor and Francis Open Access Books

<https://www.routledge.com/our-products/open-access-books/taylor-francis-oa-books>

Open Textbook Library

<https://open.umn.edu/opentextbooks>

Google Books

<https://books.google.com/>

WikiBooks

<https://www.wikibooks.org/>

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<https://bookboon.com/>

Open Research Library

<https://library.oapen.org/>

Open Stax

<https://openstax.org/subjects>

Text Books & Solutions

<https://www.tbooks.solutions/>

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Google Patents

<https://patents.google.com/>

Patent Scope

<https://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/>

Free Patents Online

<https://www.freepatentsonline.com/>

Scopus

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