Vega Facets: What Data Populates them and how do they work?

Environment

Vega Discover

Description

Vega Offers 13 Facets that can be turned on or off for display in the Vega Discover Catalog Refinements column to the left of search results.

1. Availability
2. Date
3. Format
4. Collections (Polaris ONLY Facet, unless you have OAI)
5. Age Group
6. Literary Form
7. Persons
8. Concepts
9. Language
10. Locations
11. Publishers
12. New Materials
13. Donors (Polaris ONLY Facet)

Note: A 'Full text available' facet appears in the Facet Administration settings but is not usable and will not display if marked visible.

Answer

NOTE: Facet names can all be edited in the Localization Settings of the Vega Admin. Individual facet values for Format, Age Group, Literary Form, Location, Language, and New Materials filters can also be edited in the language file.

Availability

The availability facet helps patrons filter search results to physical materials that are currently available on the shelf or to materials that are assumed to be readily available online.

Choosing the 'At Library' filter filters search results to materials that are physical materials that can be retrieved at the library and currently have at least one item at an available status. Materials that are checked out or otherwise unavailable do not appear when the 'At Library' filter is selected. This filter also includes titles for physical material types that have been set to 'Always Available' status in the

Material type settings. The 'At Library' filter also returns serial titles that have holdings but no items and are assumed to be available in the library.

Choosing the 'Online' filter will now filter search results to materials that can only be accessed online such as econtent from our supported vendors and other digital content that displays a 'check availability' button. Because the status of individual online materials is not sent by the vendor until a search result is loaded please note that this selection may include materials that require placing a hold or when a check availability link is followed, may not actually be retrievable. The filter simply limits results to those materials that are electronic and reached through following a link or an API integration and is unable to fully verify their current availability status.

Date

The Date facet filter accepts YYYY date ranges to filter search results. This filter checks the displayed Publication Date of materials in the Vega catalog.

Format

The Format filter lists the Material Types or Types of Material that your library has defined in your ILS. If you ingest OAI Materials you will also find the dc:Type values for any ingested OAI records in this filter. Filtering to a Format will return only works that have a tab containing that type of material. Please note that in the Material Type Settings you can group multiple material types into one tab label such as placing both Paperback and Hardcover Materials types into a tab labeled Book.

Collections (Polaris ONLY Facet, unless you have OAI)

The collection facet allows users to filter search results by Polaris Collection, a field defined at the item level that often determines age group, material subtype or genre. OAI setNames are also indexed into the Collection Facet.

Age Group

The Age Group facet uses the Bib Frame intendedAudience.label field from the work to populate this facet. This value can come from either the 006/05 or 008/22 Target Audience values from MARC catalog records. This facet allows patrons to filter search results to materials intended for specific age groups.

Literary Form

The Literary Form facet displays the value from the 008/33 Literary form (006/16). This facet allows users to filter for fiction, non-fiction and other types of literary forms.

Persons

The Persons Facet contains BibFrame Agent metadata from MARC Record fields: 100, 110, 111, Linked 800s, 600, 610, 611, 700, 710, 711.

Concepts

The Concepts Facet contains BibFrame Concept metadata from MARC Record fields: 648, 650, 651, 653, 656, 662, 630, and 69x.

Language

The Language Facet contains language metadata found in MARC Records fields: 008/35-37 language code (these are mapped to valid language names), 041$a languages, 130/240 $l language strings. Because a single MARC record may contain multiple languages, you may see more than one language for a single search result.

Locations

The Location Facet displays the Locations from your Vega Admin defined Location Hierarchy's "Show as item location" level.

Publishers

The publisher facets allows users to limit search results to materials that were published by a particular entity. Publisher data is populated with the provisionActivity = publication information from the BibFrame record (created from the MARC 260$b or the 264_1 $b). 880 data linked to a publisher field is also indexed and included in this facet. For publishers with an 880 equivalent, both values appear in the facet and will retrieve the same results.

Publisher names are also indexed into the Everything search. You can search for publisher names to retrieve materials published by a particular entity.

New Materials

The New Materials Facet allows the selection of This Week, This Month, This Quarter, This Year. Each filter is applied as a rolling date filter for the purpose of Saved Searches. This filter can be used in tandem with the New Materials Sort Option for search results.

In Sierra, the filter chooses materials based on the "Cat Date" that is defined at the Bibliographic Record Level.

In Polaris, the filter chooses materials based on the "First Available Date", which is an automatically created value in your bib records that is added with the first linked item record becomes available.

Donors (Polaris ONLY Facet)

Polaris Libraries that record Donor Name and Organization information in Item Record can use the Donor Facet in Vega Discover to to filter search results to materials donated by a particular person or entity. Donor Names and Organizations can also be searched in the All search of Vega Discover to locate materials associated with Donor information. In the Edition Table, if an item has been donated to the library and has associated Donor Name or Organization information, this information will display in the Item Details popup.

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