



MOBIUS ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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In the INNReach system, a maximum number of allowable central catalog requests is set for each patron type. This figure represents the maximum number of items a patron can request or check out through the MOBIUS central catalog at any one time. The limit is currently set to 10 for undergraduates and 20 for graduate students, faculty, and staff. Some libraries have expressed a desire to increase the number, especially for undergraduates. Other libraries have indicated they do not want to increase the number of items they allow their students to request. The MOBIUS Access Advisory Committee recommends the following changes:

1. Several additional patron types should be created in the MOBIUS INNReach system to accommodate more options for libraries in determining the number of requests per patron category. The additional patron types will allow better statistical analysis.
2. The maximum request limits of 10 and 20 shall be maintained.
3. Each library can determine whether to map each of their local patron types to the 10 or 20 maximum.

EXAMPLES:

Library 1

Undergraduates 10 Patron type=Undergrad A

Graduate 10 Patron type=Graduate A

Faculty 10 Patron type=Faculty A

Staff 10 Patron type=Staff A

Library 2

Undergraduates 10 Patron type=Undergrad A

Graduate 20 Patron type=Graduate B

Faculty 20 Patron type=Faculty B

Staff 20 Patron type=Staff B

Library 3

Undergraduate 10 Patron type=Undergrad A

Graduate 10 Patron type=Graduate A

Faculty 20 Patron type=Faculty B

Staff 10 Patron type=Staff A

Library 4

Undergraduate 20 Patron type=Undergrad B

Graduate 20 Patron type=Graduate B

Faculty 20 Patron type=Faculty B

Staff 20 Patron type=Staff B

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