Installing the BookLink

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The BookLink is an HTML pop-out that can be embedded on any website, such as an institutional course catalog page. Clicking the **Preview** button on the main Courses page displays the BookLink and its contents: a real-time display of the materials required for the course - complete with author, title, ISBN and pricing information for each item (where available).

While the BookLink HTML remains static, the contents of the BookLink are linked directly to the application database, so that all information in the popup is synced in real-time to changes made through the Verba Collect interface.

Constructing the BookLink for a given section is flexible. Simply replace "[host]" in the URL below with the URL to your Collect installation (e.g. http://sample.verbacollect.com). Then you may identify the section by either it's **Term Name (trm)** and **Section Code (sc);** or its **Term Name (trm), Course Code Department (cd), Course Code Number (cn)** and **Section Code (sc)**. The format for each method is displayed below:

```
<a href="[host]/booklink?trm=201101&sc=65728" class="bl" target="_blank">BookLink</a>
<a href="[host]/booklink?trm=201101&cd=HIST&cn=100&sc=001" class="bl" target="_blank">BookLink</a>
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Make sure to include the "bl" class and to use "_blank" for the target in the link. This ensures that the popup works correctly for supported browsers and that unsupported browsers receive the information in a new window.

Finally, you should include the Verba Collect JavaScript and CSS file in the <head> section of your HTML document which powers the popup. Here is the code:

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<script type="text/javascript" src="[host]/javascripts/embed.js"></script>
<link href="[host]/stylesheets/embed.css" media="all" rel="stylesheet" type="text/css" />
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Note: The embed.js file includes the jQuery JavaScript framework, which we use to ensure cross-browser compatibility. If you already include the jQuery framework on your page, you can use the embed-nojq.js file which does not include the jQuery dependency.