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Research4Life is designed to enhance the scholarship, teaching, research and policy-making of the many thousands of students, faculty, and scientists, in the developing world who are working in health, agriculture, environment and other life, physical and social sciences.

Institutions in eligible countries areas and territories:

Universities and colleges, research institutes, professional schools, extension centers, government offices, local non-governmental organizations (NGOs), hospitals and national libraries. All staff members and students are entitled to access the information resources.

What are the two lists of countries, areas and territories and how are they determined?

The two lists (Group A and Group B) are based on four factors: GNI (total), GNI per capita (World Bank figures), United Nations Least Developed Countries (LDCs) List inclusion and Human Development Index (HDI).

Group A countries, areas, and territories — free access

- All countries, areas, or territories fulfilling any of the below criteria:
- United Nations Least Developed Country List
- Total Gross National Income (GNI) is at or less than US\$ 15 billion where Gross National Income per capita (GNlpc) at or less than US\$ 3000
- Total GNI is at or less than US\$ 2 billion where GNlpc at or less than US\$ 5000
- Total GNI is at or less than US\$ 200 billion, where:
 - Human Development Indicator (HDI) is at or less than 0.60, and/or
 - GNlpc is at or less than US\$ 1500

Group B countries, areas, and territories — low-cost access

All countries, areas, or territories not already covered in Group A which fulfill any of the below criteria:

- Total GNI is at or less than US\$ 1.5 billion
- Total GNI is at or less than US\$ 25 billion where GNlpc is at or less than US\$10,000
- GNlpc is at or less than US\$ 6000 where Healthy Life Expectancy (HALE) is at or less than 55
- Total GNI is at or less than US\$ 300 billion, where:
 - HDI is at or less than 0.67 and/or
 - GNlpc is at or less than US\$ 6000

Countries, areas, or territories with a total GNI above US\$ 1 trillion are not eligible regardless of other factors.

If your institution is in a Group A (free access) country, area or territory, then Research4Life is free. If your institution is in a Group B (low-cost access) country, area or territory, Research4Life costs US\$ 1500 per institution per calendar year (from January through December). All institutions registering from Group B countries are entitled to a six month trial.

If your institution is in Group B (low-cost access) country, and you cannot or choose not to pay the annual fee, your institution will still be eligible for free access to a number of information resources.

Group A

(free access)

Afghanistan	Lebanon	Timor-Leste	Jordan
Angola	Lesotho	Togo	Kosovo
Bangladesh	Liberia	Tokelau	(in accordance with
Belize	Madagascar	Tonga	Security Council
Benin	Malawi	Tuvalu	resolution 1244 (1999))
Bhutan	Maldives	Uganda	Libya
Burkina Faso	Mali	Ukraine	Mauritius Mongolia
Burundi	Marshall Islands	United Republic of Tanzania	Montenegro Morocco
Cabo Verde	Mauritania	Vanuatu	Namibia
Cambodia	Micronesia	Yemen	Nigeria
Cameroon	(Federated States of)	Zambia	North Macedonia
Central African Republic	Mozambique	Zimbabwe	Pakistan
Chad	Myanmar		Paraguay
Comoros	Nauru		Peru
Congo	Nepal	Group B	Republic of Moldova
Cook Islands	Nicaragua	(low-cost access)	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Côte d'Ivoire	Niger		Seychelles
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Niue	Albania	Sri Lanka
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Occupied Palestinian territory, including east Jerusalem	Algeria	Tunisia
Djibouti	Palau	Antigua and Barbuda	Uzbekistan
Dominica	Papua New Guinea	Armenia	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Equatorial Guinea	Rwanda	Azerbaijan	
Eritrea	Saint Helena	Bolivia (Plurinational State of)	Viet Nam
Eswatini	Saint Lucia	Bosnia and Herzegovina	
Ethiopia	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Botswana	
Gambia	Samoa	Colombia	
Ghana	Sao Tome and Principe	Cuba	
Grenada	Senegal	Ecuador	
Guinea	Sierra Leone	Egypt	
Guinea-Bissau	Solomon Islands	El Salvador	
Haiti	Somalia	Fiji	
Kenya	South Sudan	Gabon	
Kiribati	Sudan	Georgia	
Kyrgyzstan	Suriname	Guatemala	
Lao People's Democratic Republic	Syrian Arab Republic	Guyana	
	Tajikistan	Honduras	
		Iraq	
		Jamaica	

Refugee Camps recognized by UNRWA or categorized by UNHCR as “planned/managed camps” are eligible for free Research4Life access regardless of their geographical location.

This list of countries, areas, and territories is intended for use by the Research4Life partnership only. Given the specific nature of the design of this list which incorporates factors relevant to our public-private-partnership, we recommend that anyone seeking a list of countries fitting certain criteria should consult original United Nations, UNDP, and World Bank data.