

What's New in Ares 4.6?

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Ares Release Schedule

- Ares 4.6 release:
9 February 2016
- Ares 4.4 end of support:
1 June 2016
- Ares 4.5 end of support:
1 June 2017 (tentative)



Server Addons

- Server addons are now stored in the database
- Allows sites to extract the addon from the database to share with other sites more easily
- Parameters are set within Customization Manager and not a text file
- Server addons can now be encrypted
- Existing server addons are converted during the update to Ares 4.6

Clipboard Wizard Addon

There is a client addon available now called Clipboard Wizard. It works for all Atlas products (ILLiad, Ares, Aeon) and allows you to set which field is automatically saved to the clipboard when opening a request.

The screenshot displays the 'Manage Addons' window. At the top, there are buttons for 'Reset Cache', 'Save Settings', 'Reset Settings', and 'Create Connection File'. Below these is a table listing various addons. The 'Clipboard Wizard' addon is selected, and its configuration details are shown in a lower pane.

Name	Author	Version	Active	Description
Amazon Book Searches	Atlas Systems, Inc.	1.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Performs an Amazon search for the LoanTitle for loans.
Clipboard Wizard	Atlas Systems, Inc.	1.0.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Copies information about an item into the windows clipboard
Google Scholar Search	Atlas Systems, Inc.	1.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Performs a Google Scholar search for the PhotoArticleTitle for articles.
Google Search	Atlas Systems, Inc.	1.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Performs a generic Google search for the LoanTitle for loans and the PhotoArticleTitle for articles.
Shipment Tracking	Atlas Systems, Inc.	1.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Displays tracking information based on a given tracking number
Training	Atlas Systems, Inc.	1.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Loads the Atlas Systems Training site into a tab on the main form

Setting Name	Value	Type	Description
ComparatorValue	{Default}	string	Compared to the output of ComparatorFormat. If the value matches then PrimaryFormatString is used; otherwise, SecondaryFormatString is used. A value of {Default} will set it based on the current product.
PrimaryFormatString	{TableField:Transaction.LoanTitle} / {TableField:Transaction.LoanAuthor}	string	Defines the primary format string to copy data into the clipboard. A value of {Default} will set it based on the current product.
SecondaryFormat...	{TableField:Transaction.PhotoJournalTitle}	string	Defines the secondary format string to copy data into the clipboard. A value of {Default} will set it based on the current product.

Cache reset.

Printing

- When printing a document, the print template automatically closes after merging so that only the merged document is open.
- The loan period name is exported instead of just the ID number.

Items in Grids


- Multiple items can be selected and deleted at once
- Loan periods display in hours and days versus the internal code
- Apply a new processing or pickup location to multiple items at once
- Instructor tags show in the grid so that staff can view and filter by those values
- Needed By column can sort by inferred date type versus alphabetically

Web Interface

- New set of default web pages that are 508 and WCAG compliant
- Can track if weblink items have been clicked on through the web
- Instructors can choose which proxies for a class are cloned
- Ability to use permanent links for weblink items

Web Interface

- Instructors can add tags to multiple items at once
- Lists of items can be filtered by one or more column

Reserve Items						
	<u>ID</u> <input type="text" value="Search ID"/>	<u>Title</u> <input type="text" value="Search Title"/>	<u>Author</u> <input type="text" value="Search Author"/>	<u>Inactive</u> <input type="text" value="Search Inactive"/>	<u>Status</u> <input type="text" value="Search Status"/>	<u>Tags</u> <input type="text" value="Search Tags"/>
Show Details View Item Edit	30	 Journal of Museum Sciences Architecture of the Guggenheim	Wright, F. L.	12/31/2015	Item Available on Electronic Reserves	Museum
Show Details View Item Edit	31	 Journal of Museum Sciences Preserving the Met	Stubb, K.	12/31/2015	Awaiting Review by Staff	
Show Details Edit	29	 The Cat in the Hat	Dr. Seuss	12/31/2015	Awaiting Reserves Processing	First Item

What Now?

- Development is completed
- Documentation is in progress
- Web videos and demos in late January
- Atlas is always looking for feedback and suggestions for improvements!

Follow Up Questions

- Are there CourseInfo1-5 fields like there are for Items?
Not yet, but we'll add it to the dev backlog to look into.
- Can students batch add tags like instructors can?
Yes, both instructors and students can filter items and batch add tags.
- Is there an option to delete multiple courses at once?
No and we're not sure how often that would come up, so please elaborate if you need this feature.

Follow Up Questions

- **Are there course-based email templates?**

No, but this seems like a reasonable idea to email all instructors and/or proxies about a course. We'll add it to the backlog for consideration.

- **Can you resend an email that didn't fail but you'd just like to try again?**

No, there isn't a way to resend successful emails but we can add it to the backlog to investigate.