Borrow Direct expands services to include on-site borrowing

The Yale University Library is delighted to announce its participation in the launch of Borrow Direct Plus – an expansion of the current Borrow Direct service. This will include on-site borrowing privileges starting October 1, 2014 for all students, faculty and staff from Borrow Direct institutions, plus Duke University (currently not a member of Borrow Direct). The new service will allow the Yale community to register for borrowing privileges at no cost from the following participating institutions: Brown University, University of Chicago, Columbia University, Cornell University, Dartmouth College, Duke University, Harvard University, Johns Hopkins University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Pennsylvania, and Princeton University. Yale users who have been verified with Yale library accounts in good standing will have access to circulating materials at any of the participating libraries. When visiting one of these libraries, members of the Yale community will need to show their Yale ID and log in to their Borrow Direct account; upon verification, users will be issued a library card. The available collections will vary from one institution to another and their respective lending policies and loan periods will apply to guest borrowers. These can be viewed ahead of time at http://www.borrowdirect.org/on-site-borrowing [1]. Borrowed items may be returned to either the lending library or the user’s home library. Borrow Direct [2] is a rapid book request and delivery system used by the participating institutions, to ensure the loan of materials within a four-day turnaround. For more information or questions about the service, please contact Brad.Warren@yale.edu [3], Director of Access Services.