

[Research Guides](#) [1]

Research guides are pages that recommend resources for particular subject areas or courses. Many libraries use LibGuides for these, or they may be custom-built within the library's CMS.

Why should AskAway be included here?

While research guides are designed to help students get started, many students using them often benefit from a librarian's help. These are very popular entry points into AskAway when included. Some libraries see up to 49% of their AskAway sessions come in via their research guides.

Which type of entry point should I use?

Qwidget.

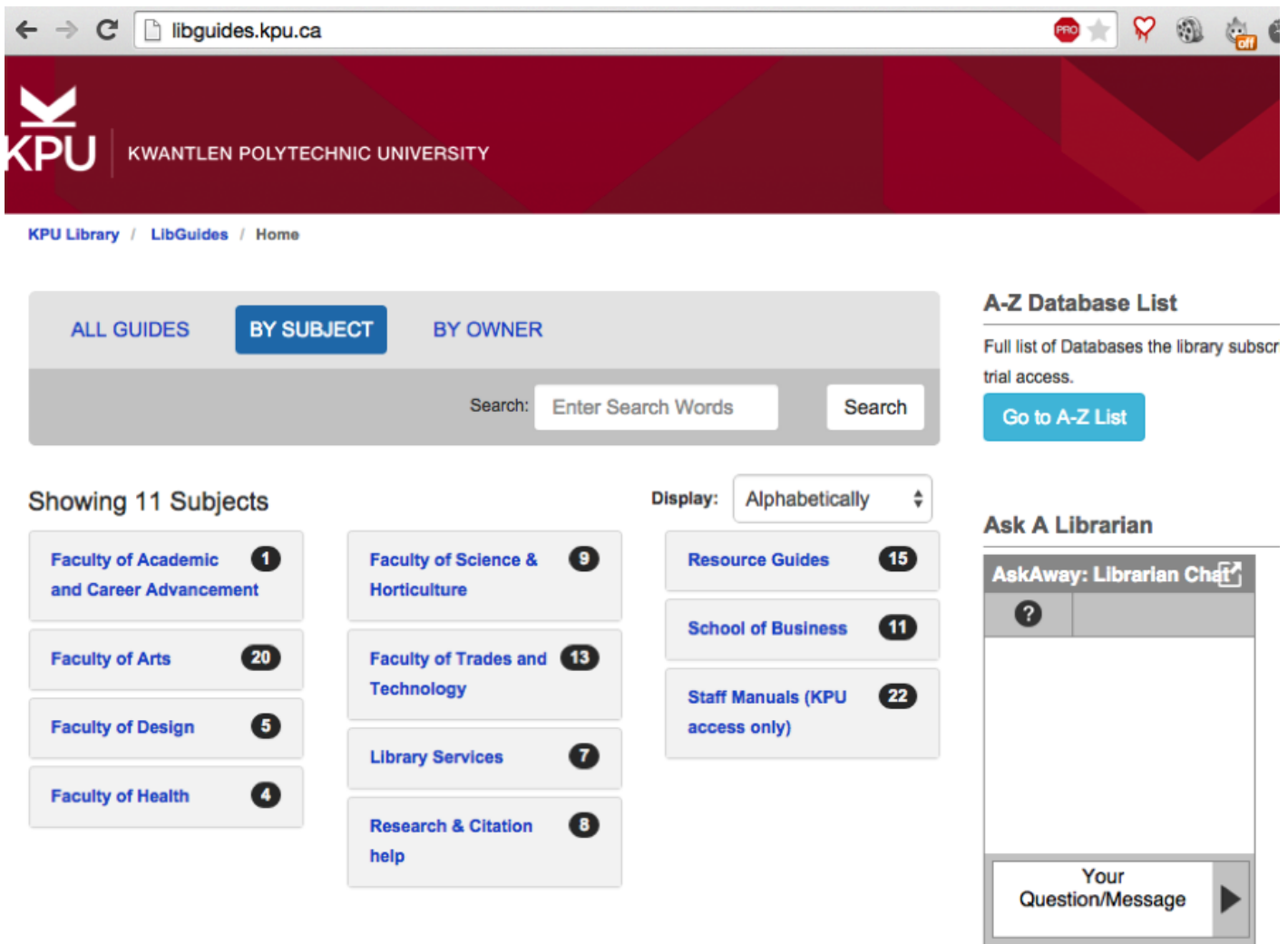
Where on the page should it go?

[Above the fold](#) [2], near the page content but visually distinct. In a sidebar if possible.

A Qwidget can be included on specific research guides, but it is more effective to have the Qwidget enabled by default on every guide.

Libraries using LibGuides may simplify maintenance by creating a Rich Text text box containing the Qwidget code, and then linking to that box within each LibGuide.

Example



libguides.kpu.ca

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Search: Enter Search Words Search

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A-Z Database List

Full list of Databases the library subscribes to.

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Ask A Librarian

AskAway: Librarian Chat

Your Question/Message

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