- **RefWorks vs. Zotero**

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<th>Comparison</th>
<th>RefWorks</th>
<th>Zotero</th>
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<td><strong>Cost</strong></td>
<td>via Rutgers license</td>
<td>free</td>
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<td><strong>Getting set up</strong></td>
<td>Users have to create an account and password with RefWorks.</td>
<td>No need to set up an account unless you plan to use the “Sync” feature to synchronize your computer and the online library.</td>
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<td><strong>Location of stored records</strong></td>
<td>RefWorks server</td>
<td>Your hard drive and Zotero server if you create an account with Zotero</td>
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<td><strong>Duplicate detection</strong></td>
<td>RefWorks has a de-dup function to find duplicated records.</td>
<td>You have to sort the citations by “title” and scan for duplicates.</td>
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<td><strong>Attaching files to citations</strong></td>
<td>Feature available.</td>
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<td><strong>Sorting references</strong></td>
<td>You can sort your citations by Authors, Publication Year, RefWorks ID, Reference Type, Title, Journal and Date Created etc.</td>
<td>You can only sort by Title and Creator (i.e. authors). Simply click on the words “Title” or “Creator” above the list of citations.</td>
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<td><strong>Adding Keywords</strong></td>
<td>Use keywords or descriptors to describe the citations</td>
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<td><strong>Sharing your citations and collaboration</strong></td>
<td>(1) Create a separate group account; or (2) Allow read-only access to your individual account; or (3) Export RefWorks citations to another RefWorks user or other citation manager; or (4) Publish a link to your RefWorks account or specific folder using RefShare. (Be sure not to violate copyright.)</td>
<td>Zotero allows you to create “groups” accounts. Group accounts can be set to “private”, “public with closed membership” and “public with open membership”. <a href="http://www.zotero.org/support/groups">http://www.zotero.org/support/groups</a></td>
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<td><strong>Word Processing software</strong></td>
<td>Install an “Add-in” called “Write-N-Cite”</td>
<td>Install a plug-in for Word and Open Office. You can also drag-and-drop a citation to Google Docs.</td>
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<td><strong>After you graduate</strong></td>
<td>Since 2009, Rutgers students have life-long access to RefWorks and their folders on RefWorks server.</td>
<td>You will have perpetual access to Zotero until it vanishes.</td>
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