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Do online libraries impact on student success?



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Research aim

“Analysis of the ...data reveals a strong correlation between students' grades and use of information resources the library provides.”

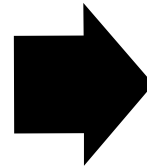
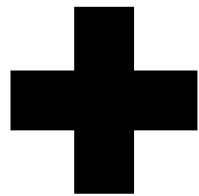
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Would there be a similar relationship at the Open University, an open and distance learning institution?

Data sources

Library

EZproxy
OpenAthens



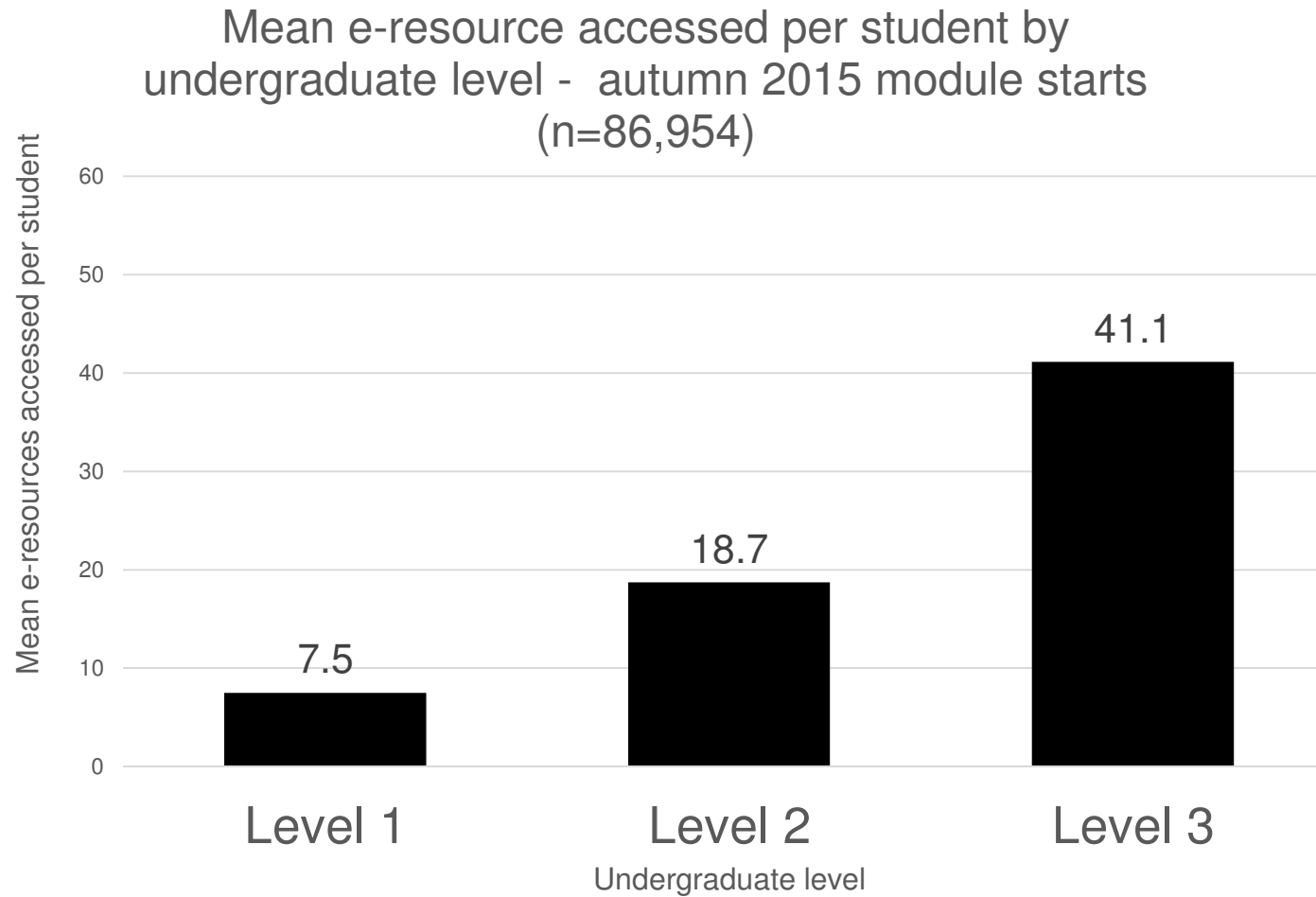
Institutional
systems

Student
data:
module &
results

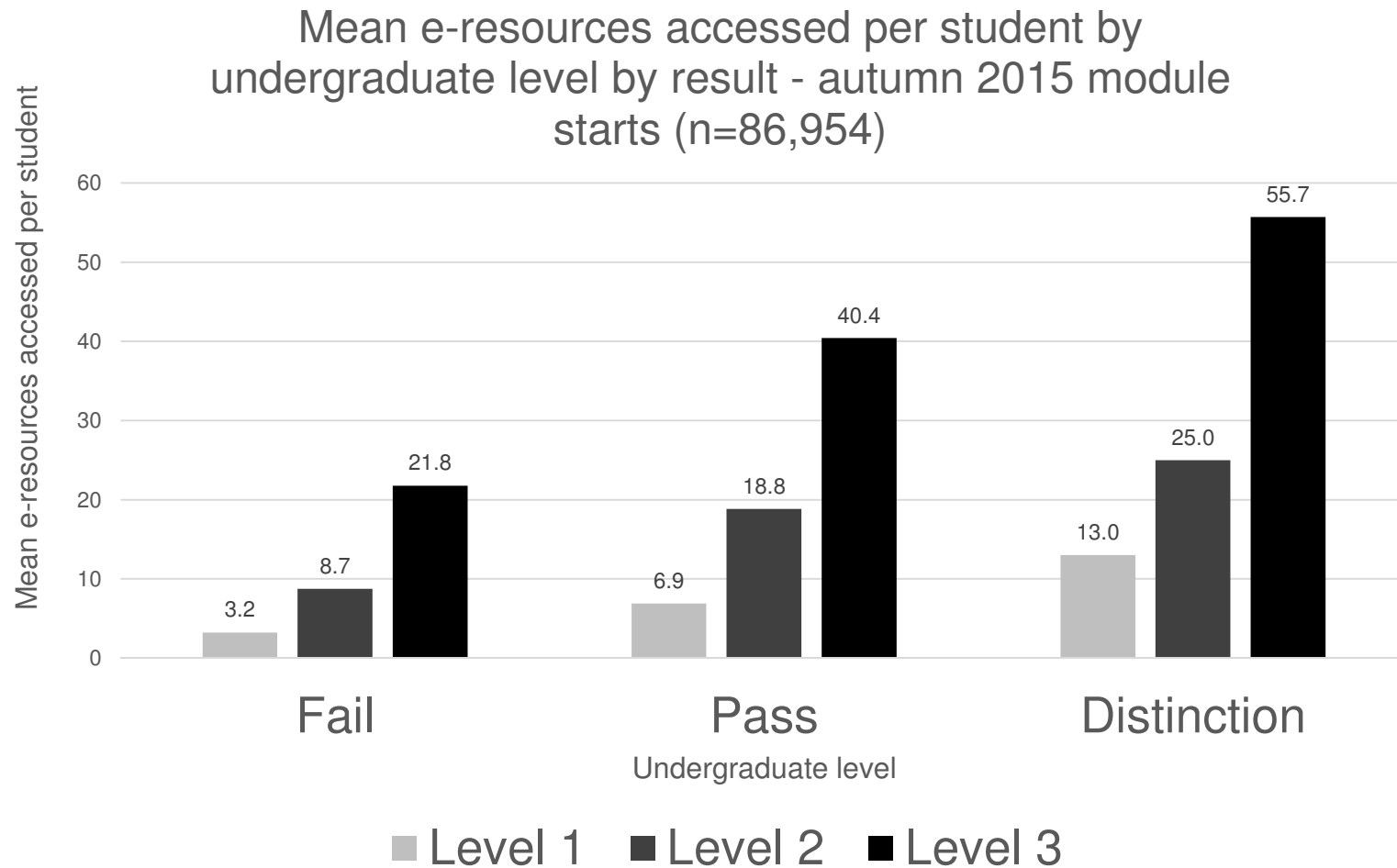
Dataset:

- Student ID
- E-resource use
- Module details
- Results

E-resource access by level



E-resource access & success



What next...?

- Statistical tests for significance
- Study with Social Work degree

See our blog for more info:

<http://www.open.ac.uk/blogs/librarydata/>