

ISNI field mappings

Scope: Mapping of fields from ISNI web portal to ISNI MARC21 and PICA fields

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The version of MARC21 used by ISNI is similar to but not identical to the MARC21 Bibliographic Format. The "Sources data" view of a record shows the PICA format, which is also based on fields and subfields.

All fields except identifier and name are optional in an ISNI record. There is no expectation to fill in every available field.

See also [ISNI field documentation](#).

Element	Subelement	MARC21 (ISNI version)	Sources data (PICA)	Search index	Notes
Associated country	country	922 \$a	019@ \$a	NOI:	Do not use this field. Use the Location field instead. This field name is found only on organization templates and only when editing an existing record. Pop-up instructions say "Use ISO 3166-1 2 character codes, e.g. FR, DE, NL, GB, ES. See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO_3166-1_alpha-2"
Contributed to or performed		912 \$a	021B \$a		Use for journal titles, titles of compilations, and titles of musical works performed.
Creation class		944 \$a	045R \$a	CC:	Pop-up instructions say "e.g. text, music, audiovisual, choreographic, software, art works." Per email from ISNI QT in June 2017, use 2 letter codes from MARC 21 leader/06 and leader /07 (http://www.loc.gov/marc/bibliographic/bdleader.html), for example, "am" for books; "gm" for films.
Creation role		941 \$a	032C \$a	CR:	Terms from drop-down list in web are converted to codes in MARC21, e.g. filmmaker fmk
Dates	birth	970 \$a	032A \$a	DTI:	YYYY-MM-DD
	death	970 \$b	032A \$b	DTI:	YYYY-MM-DD
Dates	decade	943 \$a	032B \$a	DCP:	This field is found only on organization templates and only when editing an existing record. Data usually comes from batch loads from ISNI contributors and corresponds to dates of related publications. Recommendation: do not use for PCC ISNI projects.
External information	information	671 \$b	047P \$b		Identification of the site being cited, e.g. "Wikipedia" or "IMDb"
	URI	671 \$u	047P \$u		Uniform Resource Identifier of the web page with the information.
Gender		375 \$a	013@ \$a		Drop-down list
General Note		667 \$a	047O \$a	UNK: RNK:	Use for messages for the ISNI quality team, such as information that should be deleted from a record, records that should be merged or separated, etc. It is not necessary to add identifier and name to the record before adding a general note.
Identifier	identifier type	035 \$l	003Z \$l		System supplied (e.g., PCC).
	identifier	035 \$0	003Z \$0		Not required
Instrument				IOP:	Pop-up instructions say "2 character code e.g. kn=keyboard; pt=percussion; sn=strings, wn=wind, vn=vocal" Use: MARC Instruments and Voices Code List
ISNI		003 \$0	003E \$0	ISN:	System supplied.
Language		377 \$a	010@ \$a	LNI:	Use: ISO 3-character codes Use bibliographic codes, indicated by (B), when there is more than one for a language, e.g. use "ger" for German.
Location	country	370 \$a	019A \$a		This field name is found only on organization templates. It corresponds to Nationality field on person templates. Pop-up instructions say "Use ISO 3166-1 2 character codes, e.g. FR, DE, NL, GB, ES. See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO_3166-1_alpha-2"

	locode	370 \$t	019A \$t		If a code is entered in the locode box, the subfields for country, region or state, and city will be populated automatically when the record is saved. Either enter a code in locode or fill in the other boxes; do not do both. Pop-up instructions say "Use UN/LOCODE, e.g AU HBA (Hobart). See www.unece.org/cefact/locode/service/location.htm." Better link is UN/LOCODE
	region or state	370 \$y	019A \$y		Pop-up instructions say "Use ISO 3166-2, e.g. FR-GP (Guadeloupe), US-IA (Iowa). See en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ISO_3166-2" but editor allows only 2-letter codes for U.S. states.
	city	370 \$z	019A \$z		Free text.
Name (of person)	fornames	700 \$a	028C \$d	NA:	
	surname	700 \$a	028C \$a		Use also for persons with no surname. This field/subfield is required.
	numeration	700 \$b	028C \$l		May include roman numerals that follow a name, such as "III," or suffixes like "Jr."
	title	700 \$c	028C \$f		Use for "titles and other words associated with a name."
Name (of organization)	organisation	710 \$a	029C \$a	NA:	
	subdivision	710 \$b	029C \$b		
Name variant (of person)	fornames	400 \$a	028@ \$d	NA:	
	surname	400 \$a	028@ \$a		
	numeration	400 \$b	028@ \$l		
	title	400 \$c	028@ \$f		
Name variant (of organization)	organisation	410 \$a	029@ \$a	NA:	
	subdivision	410 \$b	029@ \$b		
Nationality		370 \$a	019A \$a	NOI:	This field name found only on person templates. Corresponds to Location field on organization templates.
Organisation type		710 \$q	029C \$q		Drop-down list. This field is optional and will appear as a parenthetical qualifier to the name.
Other identifier	identifier type	090 \$b	006Z \$l		e.g., ORCID
	identifier	090 \$a	006Z \$0	OII:	
PPN		000	003@ \$0	PPN:	System supplied.
Publisher		921 \$a	033A \$n	PW:	Used in batch-loaded records for names of publishers of works by the entity. This field is not found on the template for new records.
Related person	fornames	950 \$a	028Z \$d		
	surname	950 \$a	028Z \$a		
	is related	950 \$i	028Z \$l		Drop-down list
	relationship type	950 \$t	028Z \$t		Drop-down list
	relationship dates - begin	950 \$w	028Z \$w		YYYY-MM-DD
	relationship dates - end	950 \$x	028Z \$x		YYYY-MM-DD
	PPN	950 \$9	028Z \$9		
Related organisation	name	951 \$a	029Z \$a		
	is related	951 \$i	029Z \$i		Drop-down list
	relationship type	951 \$t	029Z \$t		Drop-down list
	relationship dates - begin	951 \$w	029Z \$w		YYYY-MM-DD
	relationship dates - end	951 \$x	029Z \$x		YYYY-MM-DD
	PPN	951 \$9	029Z \$9		
Usage dates	usage date from	970 \$a	032A \$a	DTI:	YYYY-MM-DD. This field name is found only on organization templates. It corresponds to Dates field on person templates.
	usage date to	970 \$b	032A \$b	DTI:	YYYY-MM-DD
Work	title	910 \$a	021A \$a	TW:	
	subtitle	910 \$b	021A \$d		

