



Highlights

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Welcome

As we all know, developments in information systems over the last few years have initiated profound changes in academic life. Some of the most dramatic changes have occurred in the way we share and gain access to ideas.

Traditionally, the library has been the focal point of scholarly expression and research. Today, however, we find that full text online content, free Web material, and remote access to resources has challenged the role of the library as campus focal point. The library is indeed evolving, but it remains solidly in place. As Florida Atlantic University library director Bill Miller recently noted in the January edition of *Library Issues*, "The walls of library buildings are still there, but they are now more like permeable cell walls, with resources flowing in and out on a constant basis." The resources that are acquired and made accessible in or "through" the library, whether they are new electronic or traditional print format, remain of the highest quality available.

Unfortunately, these changes have not necessarily made our lives easier in all aspects. Finding what is available, in which format, whether it is ac-

cessible remotely, and whether or not it is from a reliable source, have all become potentially tricky undertakings.

It is with these thoughts in mind that we introduce **Highlights**, the newsletter of the Elizabeth Huth Coates Library at Trinity University. Our purpose is to inform, announce, and occasionally amuse. Our goal is to provide timely information that will help you make the best use of the library and its valuable resources. From tips on searching one of our almost 200 electronic databases, to announcements about new library services and tools, to postings of library policies, we hope you find this newsletter helpful. We also seek your comments and suggestions. You can send them to diane.graves@trinity.edu or contact your departmental liaison.

Happy Reading!

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Finding a Journal 101

The Scenario:

You've just completed researching materials for a major paper or project, and you have a long list of journal articles that you hope to find through the library. You jump to your computer and gaze at the screen. It's a bird! It's a plane! No—it's **TDNET!!**—the library's new super service with One-Stop Shopping for journals.

What is TDNet?

TDNet is a company that has created an alphabetical list of all our e-journal titles. That includes the stuff we subscribe to (listed in our catalog Quest) and *also* all those titles that come to us as full text in our databases (which *aren't* included in Quest, so you'd never know that they were available). And this isn't just a plain vanilla alphabetical list; it's a *linked* list that will take you straight to the journal's page on the Web or the database that provides the full text of the journal. Eventually it will also list all the print journals in the library, complete with links to Quest so you can quickly get a call number and run to the shelves.

How does it work?

Follow the cookbook instructions:

- ❖ Go to the library home page (<http://lib.trinity.edu>).
- ❖ Click on e-Journals Quick Link (right hand side of the page).
- ❖ For the most efficient approach, click on the orange Search TDNet button (top of the page).
- ❖ Scroll to the AND/OR Search by Keywords area.
- ❖ Change the dropdown menu from Article Title to Journal Title.
- ❖ Type the title you want and click on the Search Site button. If you move too fast and hit the Enter key instead, you'll clear the screen and have to start over, so *watch out!*
- ❖ As an alternative, you can browse the list of titles by clicking on a letter of the alphabet at the TDNet homepage (the "high altitude" part of the recipe).

What do I get?

You're looking for, say, the *Journal of Sex Research* (a spicy title); you need a 1998 article, and you know at least the author and title. The TDNet results

screen for your search would start out looking like this:

Journal Title	Online Coverage	Full Text	Table of Contents	Print	
		Access	Local	Publisher	Holdings
Journal of Sex Research [EBSCO(Academic Search Premier)]	1/1990 - /	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

What does this mean?

The Journal of Sex Research is indexed, with full text, in a database called Academic Search Premier from January 1990 up to the present time. When you click on the title, you'll be linked to a listing of all those available electronic articles in the *Journal of Sex Research*. You can then refine or narrow your search by the date, author, or title to find the correct article. The "Print Holdings" column provides a link directly to Quest, where you would find out that the library has print copies dating from 1965 to the present. You could also link to the tables of contents of individual issues if you wanted to browse.

What can go wrong?

- Now there's a question with infinite answers! Here are a few troubleshooting tips for the more common lemon experiences:
- ❖ If you link to a database and get a response that there are no articles, try searching on the journal title itself within the database.
 - ❖ If the article you want was published within the past 12 months and the database does not have a link to its full text, you will probably be out of luck electronically. If there's a check in the Print Holdings column, follow the link to Quest for a print copy.
 - ❖ If your link just takes you to a list of databases and you don't know which one to select, close the page and check the TDNet results again; the name of the database will follow the journal title.
 - ❖ If TDNet is taking *forever*, quit and try again a bit later; sometimes it seems to run out of gas, and the problem is beyond our control.
 - ❖ If you get an administrator-type message that won't permit your access to a journal, please let us know!

Where do I go for help?

If you have problems or questions regarding TDNet, please stop by or call the library reference desk (ext. 7213), send us a message (<http://lib.trinity.edu/feedback/>), or contact your favorite librarian!



Screen real estate. Wish you could see more Quest information on your computer screen without scrolling? Press the F11 function key in Internet Explorer to leave only a brief menu bar and gain another 20% or more of screen space. Press F11 again to toggle back to your original screen display. This works with any web page.

Save trees. Tired of one Quest record taking more than one page to print? Don't print the screen with its menu buttons, shading, graphics, etc.; print just the text by clicking on the Print/Save button near the bottom of the screen, then send this smaller page to your printer. Most databases have this option, too.

Also, if you plan to print multiple records from

a search, you can select them on the brief titles screen (use the checkboxes) and then choose the Print/Save button to get them all in one consecutive printout. Note that you need to save records you've selected on one page before going to the next by clicking on the Retain Selected button.

Into history? Use the History link at the bottom of a Quest search screen to view your previous searches and reselect them by clicking on them.

A sorted affair. Get lots of results from a search and want to display them in a different order? Use the Sort option box near the top of the screen to resort the display by author, title, or date of publication.

New Electronic Resources

We've added dozens of new electronic resources during this past year; here are a few you might have missed:

Web of Science: A new web-based version of the Science Citation Index and Social Sciences Citation Index, this database allows you to search thousands of scholarly periodical articles not only by author, title, and subject, but also by who has cited whom. The interdisciplinary nature of this resource provides an element missing from single-discipline article databases.

JSTOR Business Collection: We continue to augment our selection of titles available in the JSTOR archive of scholarly journals. The Business Collection adds over 40 titles in management, finance, and economics to our existing collections of 200 titles in the Arts and Sciences Collections. All journals are fully imaged (in high quality PDFs) from their original publica-

tion date up to the most recent 2-5 years.

BioOne: Currently containing the full text of 46 major biosciences journals and bulletins, this service will eventually include more than 200 key journals. Users may browse specific journals, or search by subjects, authors, and more, across all titles and years.

Patrologia Latina Database: An electronic version of the first edition of Jacques-Paul Migne's *Patrologia Latina*, the *Patrologia Latina* comprises the works of the Church Fathers from Tertullian in 200 AD to the death of Pope Innocent III in 1216.

Worldwide Political Science Abstracts: Our first electronic resource aimed squarely at political science and international affairs, this index covers over 1100 publications.

Government Documents

Government Documents are a gold mine of useful current and historic data and information that can be valuable to your research. For the most part, they are written in plain, easy to understand English. Need statistics, current research, or primary sources? Our collection is full of these types of material.

Our collection is also particularly strong in the following areas: Presidential—Public Papers of the Presidents going back to Hoover; Congressional publications—all committee hearings are collected and retained permanently; Census Reports; Earth Sciences—many reports from the U.S. Geological Survey on water resources around the country;

Criminal Justice; Education; Health Care—surveys and reports in support of Trinity's graduate program in Health Care Administration.

In 1996 Congress mandated a shift to a mostly electronic federal depository system. Because Coates Library includes records for these electronic documents in our catalog Quest, you can easily find the information you need.

A sample of new "Gov Docs" in print can be viewed in the display stand on the right side of the Java City coffee bar. If you need assistance, contact Michael Kaminski, ext. 7087 or michael.kaminski@trinity.edu



"First, they do an on-line search."

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Paperback Book Exchange

Need some fun books to read? Need to take a break from that challenging history text or that complicated science problem? Check out the campus Paperback Book Exchange, where science-fiction, fantasy, mystery, western and romance novels can be swapped. Currently, it's located on a rack in the Java City Coffee Bar area of Coates Library.

The library has donated the initial round of books for Trinity folks to share, but your help is needed to keep it going. Dig out those paperbacks taking up extra space at home and share them through the Paperback Exchange. Write down "wanted authors" in the hope others will share just the book you're looking for. Bring a book, take a book. Don't let the rack get empty, because once the books are gone, no more books... unless you keep it going.

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Announcements

Java City and Food in the Library

Several patrons have commented that we're sending a mixed message by having "No Food or Drink" signs on the front doors, and Java City just inside the front lobby. Our intention is not to confuse, but to encourage visitors to keep their food and uncovered beverages in the Java City and lobby areas. There are good reasons for this, including our desire not to attract cockroaches, mice, and other fun critters into the main collection area while also keeping powdered sugar and crumbs off computer keyboards, printers, and other expensive equipment. Thanks for helping us keep your library clean.

Don't Mess with Trinity

This semester, you may notice that there are more waste cans available throughout the library, and "Don't Mess with Trinity" signs have been placed on anything that doesn't move. We're hoping to raise awareness of the need for everyone to *pitch in* to keep the library clean for all users. If you have notes, a first draft, old Kleenex, or an empty drink container to toss, please pitch them into a nearby waste can. Thank you!

Have A Suggestion? We'd Love to Hear It!

Please note that there is now a suggestion box in the Coates Library. Suggestion forms are available at the Circulation Desk, where the box is located. We will periodically empty the box and respond to your suggestions on the bulletin board just inside the front doors. We genuinely want to know what you'd like us to do differently or better.

New Books in a New Place

Stop by and browse the latest monographs in your field. We're displaying new acquisitions, grouped by subject discipline, on shelving close to the Circulation Desk. The books will remain there for a few weeks before they go to their permanent locations in the stacks.