

# Databases, Journal Articles, eBooks and Other Online Resources

Currently, GBCA doesn't have access to any electronic databases. Please see the sections on National Library of Australia, State Library of Victoria and the Melbourne City Library below for free access to electronic books, newspapers and databases which include journal articles relevant to the courses offered by GBCA.

# University of Canberra Electronic Resources

University of Canberra teachers and students have access to the <u>databases subscribed to by the UC Library.</u> If you need assistance the <u>Specialist Database Help & Search Tips</u> can help. All databases provide you with guidance in how to successfully find relevant journal articles by selecting the Help option on the screen.

If you are having trouble accessing the databases via the UC Library site it may be that you need to tweak your computer settings. Please see the <a href="University of Camberra Off Campus Services Guide.pdf">University of Campus Services Guide.pdf</a> (Link to PDF)

If you need assistance using the eBooks offered in the University of Canberra Library, please use this information on the E-Books at UC Library page.

These University of Canberra subject guides suggest the best resources for your courses.

- ✓ Accounting
- ✓ Business
- ✓ Economics
- ✓ Images
- ✓ Information Technology
- √ Management
- ✓ Marketing
- ✓ Off-Campus Services
- ✓ Open Access Resources

Free online sources for journal articles and eBooks from the University of Canberra are shown below:

### ✓ AnnualReports.com

Includes PDF annual reports for many Includes Australian Stock Exchange listed and delisted companies back to 1995.

✓ arXiv.org

Open access to over one million academic articles in Physics, Mathematics, Computer Science, Quantitative Biology, Quantitative Finance and Statistics.

✓ Australian Accountants Standard Board

Various resources provided by the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

- ✓ <u>Australasian Legal Information Institute</u>
  - Legislation, court decisions and legal resources.
- ✓ Australasian Legal Scholarship Library

Free-access resource. Includes a collection of Australian and New Zealand law journals.



### ✓ Australian Taxation Office Legal Database

This Legal Database is a collection of legal and policy information used by the Australian Taxation Office when making tax determinations.

## ✓ Bureau of Meteorology

Alternative Name(s) & Keywords: BOM

Australia's national weather, climate and water agency.

Contents of this site are partially under Creative Commons license.

## ✓ <u>Cities and Buildings Database (University of Washington)</u>

Collection of digitized images of buildings and cities from across time and throughout the world. Search for buildings by country, city, style, title, architect, date of construction

### ✓ College Open Textbooks

Compiles listings of open access textbooks, free to download. Browse textbooks by subject.

## ✓ Content Without Borders

Open access repository which promotes and provides access to Open Education resources contributed by academic institutions and repositories from around the world.

### ✓ CORE (COnnecting REpositories) (Open University)

CORE provides searchable access to millions of research papers from repositories and Open Access journals. Useful for locating theses and dissertations.

Best viewed in Firefox or Chrome browsers

## √ CosmoLearning

Provides courses, video lectures, documentaries, images, books, and other multimedia in dozens of subjects.

## ✓ Creative Commons Search Portal

Search portal to locate media which may be under creative commons licencing. Use the ? icon for instructions.

### ✓ DART Europe E-theses Portal

Access to over 710,000 open access theses from European universities.

## ✓ Digital Commons Network

Open access scholarly papers from hundreds of universities and colleges worldwide. Subsets include architecture, humanities, business, education, engineering, law, life sciences, medicine, physical sciences, and social & behavioural sciences.

## ✓ DOAB (Directory of Open Access Books)

Free academic peer-reviewed ebooks

## ✓ DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals)

Free full text quality controlled scientific and scholarly journals.

### ✓ Elsevier Open Access Journals

Directory of peer-reviewed, open access journals published by Elsevier.

### ✓ <u>ERIC (Education Resources Information Center)</u>

Free web version of the ERIC database. UC Library also subscribes to a version of ERIC via ProQuest.

### ✓ Feedbooks - Public Domain subset

The public domain ebooks are free to download from this site. There are thousands of public domain ebooks in many subject areas.

### ✓ Flickr: Creative Commons

Creative commons subset of the Flickr image and video hosting website. Browse or search through content under each type of CC licence.

# ✓ Free Sound

A collaborative database of Creative Commons-licensed sounds.



#### ✓ FreeTechBooks

Database of Free / Open Access Online Computer Science Books, Textbooks, and Lecture Notes.

### ✓ Google Book Search

Search the world's most comprehensive index to the content of books. Some books have chapters available to view.

## ✓ Google Advanced Image Search

Find images from websites. For re-usable images, use the Usage Rights filter & select: a) Labelled for reuse - results will only include images labelled with a license that allows you to copy and/or modify the image in ways specified in the license.

OR

b) Labelled for reuse with modification - results will only include images labelled with a license that allows you to copy and modify the image in ways specified in the license.

The usage rights filter shows pages that are either labelled with a Creative Commons license or labelled as being in the public domain. It also shows images labelled with the GNU Free Documentation license. Most licenses require that you give credit to the image creator when reusing an image

### ✓ Google Scholar

Web search engine for multidisciplinary scholarly literature.

To see UC subscriptions in your search results (off campus):

Go to Settings

Library Links - type: University of Canberra

Select 'Full-Text @ UC Library'

You could also add National Library of Australia and select Libraries Australia and State Library of Victoria and select Getit at SLV

For more information and assistance to search Google Scholar see the How to Effectively Search Google Scholar link below.

How to Effectively Search Google Scholar.pdf (Link to PDF)

## ✓ GovPond

Searches data.gov.au and State Government data sites including South Australia, Queensland, New South Wales, and the ACT. It also searches a variety of other Australian public sector data catalogues, including Landgate's SLIP, the Australian Spatial Data Directory, the Australian Data Archive (social sciences data), Western Australian Department of Mines and Petroleum, and other Western Australian resources. Also provides options to search technical and scientific catalogues such as CSIRO and the Australian Ocean Data Network

#### ✓ IDEAS

Free database of economics publications.

### ✓ Image\*After

Searchable collections of images and textures which are available for reuse and modification.

#### ✓ InTechOpen

Science, Technology and Medicine open access book publisher. InTechOpen

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#### ✓ Jade

Jade (Judgments and Decisions Enhanced) is a current awareness service that collects recent decisions of selected Australian Courts and Tribunals into an enhanced database. Free access website.



- ✓ <u>Lynda.com</u> which is an online learning company, lynda.com helps anyone to learn software, design and business skills, for both personal and professional goals. The collection of online training videos includes: Microsoft Office software, SPSS, NVivo, Study Skills, IT, Business, Audio, Video, Photography, Design, and more. If you are a UC staff member or student you can click on this <u>Lynda.com link</u> to Create a Profile and use your UC email address to sign up.
- ✓ <u>MERLOT (Multimedia Education Resource for Learning and Online Teaching)</u>

Huge collection of peer reviewed open access learning materials organised by subject. Free registration.

✓ MIT OpenCourseWare

Open access course materials (videos, notes, exams) for almost all MIT course content.

✓ OAPEN Online Library

Collection of freely accessible, peer-reviewed academic ebooks, mainly in the area of humanities and social sciences

✓ OER Commons

Teaching and learning materials that you may freely use and reuse at no cost, and without needing to ask permission.

Includes full university courses, mini-lessons, adaptations, open textbooks, and K-12 materials.

✓ Open Course Library

A collection of high quality, free-to-use courses that you can download and use for teaching. Content is stored in Google Docs.

✓ Open Science Directory

Directory which provides access to over 13000 scientific journals, indexed from DOAJ, eJDS, BioMed Central, HighWire Press and others.

✓ Open SUNY Textbooks

Open access textbooks published by the State University of New York. Free to download.

✓ Open Textbook Library

Collection of open access textbooks which can be freely used, adapted, and distributed.

✓ Open Yale Courses

Open Yale Courses (OYC) provides lectures and other materials from selected Yale College courses to the public free of charge via the Internet. The courses span the full range of liberal arts disciplines, including humanities, social sciences, and physical and biological sciences.

✓ OpenLearn (Open University)

Offers a full range of course materials from The Open University in various subject areas and at various levels.

✓ OzGuide to Statistics

A subject guide to Australian and international statistical resources on the internet. The resources record mostly current data, but some historical statistics are also included. There are substantial links to Australian Bureau of Statistics resources, and international statistics by country or region through Offstats and UNESCO Statistical Databases. Topics covered include economic and trade statistics, population, education, census data, health statistics and links to statistical agencies.

✓ PQDT Open

Full text open access dissertations and theses.

✓ Project Gutenberg

Over 53,000 out of copyright ebooks available for download or online reading. Good source of classic literature and historic information.



### ✓ Project Gutenberg Australia

The ebooks on this site are in the public domain in Australia (not subject to copyright in Australia) and may be read and downloaded without charge.

### ✓ TED Ed: Lessons worth sharing

Build or reuse lessons around TED Ed originals, TED Talks, or YouTube videos.

#### ✓ VOCEDplus

International database which covers tertiary education outcomes (including VET, adult and community education), research, policy and published statistics. Free index, includes some links to full text.

## ✓ Web of Conferences: Open Access proceedings journals

Provides access to Open Access conference proceedings journals in biology, life sciences and health, environmental and earth sciences, physics, IT and mathematics, materials science, and humanities.

## ✓ Wikimedia Commons

A media file repository making available public domain and freely-licensed educational media content (images, sound and video clips) to everyone, in their own language

#### ✓ Wikiversity

A Wikimedia Foundation project devoted to learning resources, learning projects, and research for use in all levels, types, and styles of education from pre-school to university, including professional training and informal learning.

## ✓ World Bank Open Data

Free and open access to data about development in countries around the globe

## ✓ World Bank Open Knowledge Repository

World Bank: The World Bank is the largest single source of development knowledge in the world. The OKR is the official open access repository for its research output and knowledge products, allowing it to collect, disseminate and permanently preserve its intellectual output in digital form. Types of documents include annual reports, journal articles, serial publications, World Development Reports and Policy Research Working Papers.

## ✓ World Trade Organization (WTO)

Publications, data, and resources produced by the World Trade Organization.

### ✓ WorldImages

California State University IMAGE Project provides access to over 100,000 historic images for teaching and research. Search by keyword or portfolio (subject grouping).

### ✓ YouTube Education channel

Features some of the most popular educational videos across YouTube. The channel is generated automatically by YouTube's video discovery system. Some videos have creative commons licenses.

## National Library of Australia Electronic Resources

By <u>becoming a free member</u>, the <u>National Library of Australia</u> also provides access to a <u>further 131</u> <u>databases</u>. If you need assistance to understand how to use the Library Catalogue see these <u>Help sources</u>, and for finding eBooks, use this <u>Help</u> information and for finding other the eResources please see this <u>Help</u> information or <u>video</u>. These databases include:

### ✓ Atlas of Living Australia

National database of Australia's flora and fauna. Collaborative national project that aggregates biodiversity data from multiple sources and makes it available and usable online.



## ✓ Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS)

Australia's national statistical agency, providing official statistics on a wide range of economic, social, population and environmental matters of importance to Australia. This <a href="Standards">Standards</a>
<a href="Research Guide">Research Guide</a>
can assist you is you use the National Library of Australia: A research guide to identifying and requesting standards held at the National Library of Australia. Includes
<a href="Australian and international standards">Australian and international standards</a>, with specific reference to American, British and New Zealand standards.

### ✓ Australian companies

A guide to researching Australian companies at the National Library of Australia. Includes information on both printed and online resources.

### ✓ Australian Dictionary of Biography

Concise, informative and fascinating descriptions of the lives of significant and representative persons in Australian history.

## ✓ Australian Human Rights Commission

Administers anti-discrimination and human rights laws in Australia. The site provides links to publications of the Commission including reports, legal research, statistics, and educational material.

# ✓ Australian Securities & Investments Commission - Business Names Register

Free searches provide basic details about an organisation on ASIC's National Names Index. Simply enter the organisation's name and/or the ABN or ACN number. This gives you general information such as: company names, business names, (national), Australian Company Numbers (ACNs) and Australian Registered Body Numbers (ARBNs), type of company, locality of the office, list of documents lodged etc.

## ✓ Government Online Directory (Australia)

Australian Government Information Management Office: This directory is a guide to the structure, organisations and key people in the Australian Government. As well as containing contact details for the Commonwealth Parliament, the Governor-General, Commonwealth courts and other government departments and agencies, it also lists the legislation administered by each government agency.

### ✓ International Data Base: World Statistics

U.S. Census Bureau: The International Data Base (IDB) is a computerized data bank containing statistical tables of demographic, economic, and social data for all countries of the world. The Summary Data section allows you to click on the name of a country and view vital statistics (birth rate, death rate, growth rate, infant mortality rate, fertility rate, life expectancy), and population estimates and projections (for 1950 to 2050). You may also download the database and software to use the database. There is more information here than in the summary data, and provisions are available for generating tables, maps, graphs, charts, and lotus spreadsheets. This <u>Statistics Research Guide</u> can assist you if you are searching for statistics in the National Library of Australia. Refers to both Australian and overseas statistics. Includes material held in print, microform and online formats.

## ✓ Mobile Access to eResources

The following National Library databases are currently available via mobile devices. For easy access add the URLs to your bookmarks.

- ✓ Australian Bureau of Statistics <a href="http://www.abs.gov.au/mobile">http://www.abs.gov.au/mobile</a>
- ✓ Britannica mobile http://m.eb.com/
- ✓ British periodicals online collections I and II http://m.search.proquest.com
- ✓ Ebscohost mobile <a href="http://m.ebscohost.com/">http://m.ebscohost.com/</a>
- ✓ JSTOR <a href="http://mobile.jstor.org/">http://mobile.jstor.org/</a>



- ✓ Proguest Asian Business and Reference <a href="http://m.search.proguest.com">http://m.search.proguest.com</a>
- Proquest Dissertations and Theses Database <a href="http://m.search.proquest.com">http://m.search.proquest.com</a>
- ✓ Pubmed for handhelds <a href="http://pubmedhh.nlm.nih.gov/">http://pubmedhh.nlm.nih.gov/</a>
- ✓ World Book Encyclopedia <a href="http://m.worldbk.com">http://m.worldbk.com</a>
- ✓ Worldcat mobile <a href="http://www.worldcat.org/m/">http://www.worldcat.org/m/</a>

### √ NationMaster

Rapid Intelligence: This site provides an interface for comparing national statistics in graphical formats. Statistics are sourced from organisations such as the CIA World Factbook, United Nations, World Health Organization, World Bank, World Resources Institute, UNESCO, UNICEF and the OECD.

## ✓ Trove: Pictures, Photos, Objects (National Library of Australia)

Search photographs, negatives, artworks, drawings, posters, postcards and other pictures, as well as physical objects such as puzzles, instruments and clothing. Images are from Australian institution collections and Australian Flickr content.

Refer to individual records for reproduction rights.

### ✓ World Digital Library

The WDL makes available on the Internet, free of charge and in multilingual format, significant historic primary materials from all countries and cultures.

## ✓ Year Book Australia

Australian Bureau of Statistics: Year Book Australia is a comprehensive general reference work which includes basic statistics and different feature articles relating to Australia each year. The statistical coverage includes subjects such as population; labour, income and welfare; housing; health; education; crime and justice; culture and recreation; environment; agriculture; forestry and fishing; mining; energy; manufacturing; construction; service industries; tourism; transport; communications; science and technology; the financial system; government finance; prices; national and international accounts; as well as chapters on Australia's geography and climate, government, international relations and defence.

## State Library of Victoria Electronic Resources

The <u>State Library of Victoria</u> offers <u>free library membership</u> which allows you access to many <u>databases</u> including these which are relevant to the GBCA courses:

- ✓ Business
- √ eBooks
- ✓ Economics and Statistics
- ✓ Encyclopaedias and Dictionaries
- ✓ Government and Politics
- ✓ Language (including IELTS) and Education
- ✓ Law
- √ Newspapers Current
- ✓ Science and Technology



# Melbourne City Library Electronic Resources

The <u>Melbourne City Library</u> also offers many free databases which are available by <u>becoming a free</u> <u>member</u> of the library. These include:

- ✓ Collections in Languages other than English
- ✓ eNewspapers and eMagazines
- ✓ English as a Second Language Resources
- ✓ <u>eReference</u>
- ✓ <u>Learning Resources</u> including <u>Lynda.com</u> which is an online learning company, lynda.com helps anyone to learn software, design and business skills, for both personal and professional goals. Melbourne Library Service members have free and unlimited access to the entire lynda.com library. The collection of online training videos includes: Microsoft Office software, SPSS, NVivo, Study Skills, IT, Business, Audio, Video, Photography, Design, and more. You can click on this <u>Lynda.com link</u> and sign in with your Melbourne City library card number and PIN for instant access to a vast library of high-quality, current and engaging video tutorials.

## **Need Assistance?**

If you need assistance, please contact the Library.