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http://library.princeton.edu/

Subject

Princeton University Library--Catalogs

Accessibility

Partially free

Language

English

Publisher

Princeton University

Scope and Coverage Princeton University Library, one of the world's most distinguished research libraries, consists of the Harvey S. Firestone Memorial Library and nine buildings across campus. The library's collections include more than 8 million books, 6 million microforms, 49,000 linear feet of manuscripts, and impressive holdings of rare books, prints, archives and other material that require special handling. The library's extensive electronic resources include databases and journals, statistical packages, images and digital maps.

Princeton University Library has departmental libraries namely Architecture Library, East Asian Library, Engineering Library, Firestone Library, Lewis Science Library, Marquand Art Library, Mendel Music Library, Mudd Manuscript Library, Plasma Physics Library, Rare Books and Special Collections, Stokes Library, Video Library, etc. All of these libraries include huge number of Collections. Some of them are:

- Dixon Collection and Travel Books Collection
- Dixon eBooks
- Firestone Library Reference Collection
- Government Documents
- Graphic Arts Collection
- Historic Maps Collection
- Industrial Relations Library
- Latin American Ephemera Collection
- Manuscripts Division
- Maps and Geospatial Information
- Microforms Service
- Miriam Y. Holden Collection
- Near East Collections
- Numeric Data and Statistics
- Numismatic Collection
- Papers of Princeton
- Population Research Collection
- Princeton University Digital Library
- Public Policy Papers
- Rare Books Division
- Scheide Library
- University Archives
- Western Americana Collection and many more.

Kind of Information Along with the search bar for all type of collection, library website provides three other search options to facilitate search separately for books, journals, videos, databases etc.

The main catalog of the library website (the next screen shot) provides 'Basic Search', 'Guided Search', 'Course Reserves'. In the basic search process users has to put search terms in the search bar and they are provided an option to search by bibliographic fields like author, title, key words, subjects, call numbers etc. The search results can be limited by languages, publication years, and resource types.

There is a criterion to choose number of records per page. In Guided search option the users can add the search queries by Boolean operators like ‘and’, ‘or’, ‘not’ and for each search queries there are some bibliographic fields (above mentioned) for choose.

The above search process produced listed documents in tabular form which provides title of the document, author name, location of the document, call number, year of publication. The titles are hyperlinked with another web page which contained detailed bibliographic information like author, title, publisher, physical description, electronic access (DOI number), series, content of the document, ISBN etc. Through Google books the website provides some text of the document.

Special Features

- Research Tools like Data and Statistics, Databases, Finding Aids, Main Catalog, WorldCat, Hathi Trust, etc. are linked with the website.
- There are Quick Links to Borrow Direct Catalog, Classrooms, Course Reserves, Databases, E Journals, and EAL Digital Bookshelf (PUDL).
- Under the heading ‘Specialized Research Resources’ there are Biographical Sources, Data and Statistics, Dissertations and Theses, Government Documents, Images, Maps and GIS, Patents, Technical Reports and Gray Literature.
- Additional Research Tools like Citation Linker, Citation Management Tools, Citing Sources (MLA, APA etc.) are also linked in the website.
- There is a link to local, regional, and global library catalogs beyond Princeton University Library. The global library catalogs include WorldCat, Karlsruhe Virtual Catalog, LibDex, Monthly Catalog of US Government Publications, OAIster etc.

- In the homepage library News and Events are provided in regular basis.
- The Princeton University library contains help desk which provides following facilities to the users:
 - Ask a Librarian Offline now
 - Email a Librarian
 - Find Your Subject Librarian
 - Phone

***Arrangement
Pattern***

Search process gives a list of relevant documents, but users can rearranged the documents by titles of documents, authors and publication date.

Remarks

Princeton University Library is the main library system of Princeton University. With holdings of more than 7 million books, 6 million microforms, and 48,000 linear feet of manuscripts, it is headquartered in the *Harvey S. Firestone Memorial Library* building, named after tire magnate Harvey Firestone.

Comparable Tools

- Harvard Library Catalogs
(<http://library.harvard.edu/>)
- The University of Illinois Urbana Champaign Library Online Catalogs
(<http://www.library.illinois.edu/catalog/>)
- University of Calcutta: University Library Online Catalogue
(<http://www.caluniv.ac.in/opac/OPAC.HTM>)
- New York University Libraries (<http://library.nyu.edu/>)

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