Name of the Tool	UniCat

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| URL	http://www.unicat.be/
Subject	Belgium-Union lists
Accessibility	Free
Language	English
Publisher	Unicat
Brief History	UniCat is a portal that lets one search and discovers Belgian academic library collections.

Scope and Coverage	UniCat is a union catalogue of Belgian libraries. It currently holds approximately 14.5 million records from Belgian university libraries and the Royal Library and also includes the catalogues from three library networks: Anet, LIBIS-net and Boréal. UniCat focusses on academic and scientific library collections and targets both end users and library professionals.

UniCat contains about 14 million records from 46 libraries. Some of them are as follows:

- Royal Library Albert I (Brussels)
- Universities
    - o FUNDP - Facultés Universitaires Notre-Dame de la Paix (Namur)
    - o FUCAM - Facultés Universitaires Catholiques de Mons (Mons)
    - o FUSL - Facultés Universitaires Saint-Louis (Brussels)
    - o KU Leuven - Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, etc.
- Schools for Higher Education
    - o Artesis Hogeschool Antwerpen
    - o EHB - Erasmushogeschool Brussel
    - o Groep T – Internationale Hogeschool Leuven
    - o Hogeschool Sint-Lukas Brussel
    - o HUB - Hogeschool-Universiteit Brussel, etc.
- Museum libraries
    - o MPM - Museum Plantin Moretus
    - o KBIN - Koninklijk Belgisch Instituut voor Natuurwetenschappen
    - o KMSKA - Koninklijk Museum Schone Kunsten te Antwerpen
    - o KMKG - Koninklijke Musea voor Kunst en Geschiedenis
    - o Koninklijk Museum voor Midden - Afrika
- Other libraries
    - o Belgian Parliament
    - o IMEC
    - o NBB – National Bank of Belgium
    - o Orde van Advocaten - Antwerp
    - o SERV - Sociaal-Economische Raad van Vlaanderen
    - o Stichting Lezen – Focuspunt Jeugdliteratuur
    - o Vesalius Documentatie en Informatie Centrum
    - o Flemish Parliament

Kind of Information	The union catalog provides two search processes. In Quick search, one just has to put search term relevant to the desired documents.
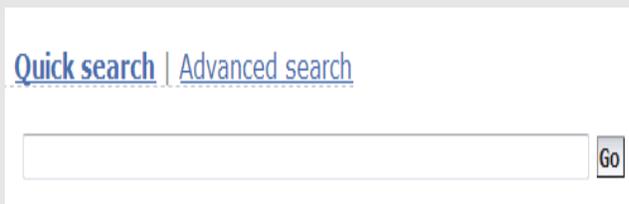
Quick search | Advanced search

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In advanced search process (the following screen shot) users can put maximum two search terms and can join the terms by Boolean operators 'And', 'Or', 'Not'. There is also an option to choose bibliographic fields from top down menu.

If one put the key word "sociology" in the search bar then following result has came out:

In this above list users can find the bibliographic information like title of the work and author, ISBN number, year of publication, publisher, and key words. In case of journal articles there is the name of the journal with article's title and ISSN number. If one click on "Availability" button (in the above list) then found the library names where the particular item is found. The following example shows it:

Special Features	➢ Users can export citation of a particular item by the following application:

Journal of applied sociology.
Author: Society for Applied Sociology (U.S.)
ISSN: 07490232 **Year:** 1984 **Publisher:** [U.S.] : Society for Applied Sociology,

Abstract | Keywords | Export | Availability | Bookmark
Export citation
Choose an application
- Reference Manager
- EndNote
- RefWorks (Direct export to RefWorks)

➢ Users can give feedback. In the home page there is an option "Feedback". By clocking the option the following page is appeared:

ⓘ www.unicat.be/uniCat?func=feedback&language=en
Feedback
Subject
Message *

Your name
Your email address
Submit

Periodical   **ISSN:** 10671684 **Publisher:** Pittsburgh, Pa
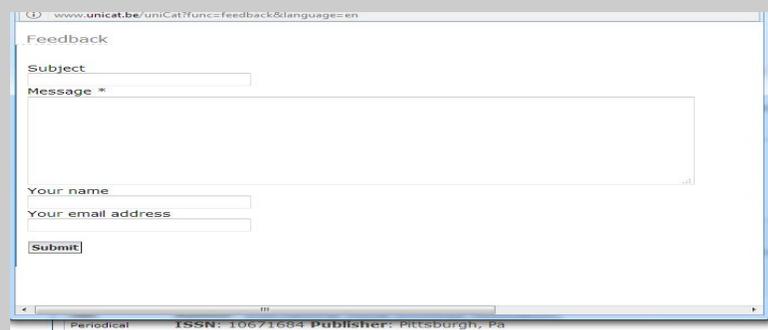
➢ Regularly updated Unicat News is provided through the website.

Arrangement Pattern	The listed titles are arranged by the relevancy to the search queries. But one can rearrange the list by year of publication (Descending or Ascending order).
Remarks	This union catalog hah built a collection of huge number of resources in various subjects which may help the researchers. If one needs to request the book from a library or wants to obtain a photocopy of a journal article then can contact the library directly or can request the book or journal article through interlibrary loan from the local library.
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