

Databases

The databases most relevant to Humanities include:

Art Abstracts

Bibliographic contents of over 464 leading art journals, museum bulletins and yearbooks.

Zut!

An interactive online resource for French and Spanish teachers and learners.

Factfinder

An extensive source of Irish business information, Factfinder also provides focused searches covering key Irish web sites, topics include history and culture.

General Onefile

A one-stop source for news and periodical articles on a wide range of topics: business, computers, current events, economics, education, environmental issues, healthcare, humanities, law, literature and art, politics, science, social science, sports, technology, and many general interest topics. As of September 2007 this resource contained over 63 million articles.

Science Direct

An excellent full-text resource allowing access to over 2000 journals. Coverage includes arts & humanities and social science. Users can view full text of over 7 million articles and abstracts of over 70 million articles.

ISI Web of Science

Database providing access to *Social Sciences Citation Index* and *Arts and Humanities Citation Index*. It enables users to search 8,500 of the world's most prestigious research journals.

All of the above and more are available via the library website

<http://library.gmit.ie/screens/edbases.html>

To access these databases you will need to authenticate yourself as a GMIT student by entering your name, ID number and a library PIN (Personal Identification Number)

See PIN guide for details

Multimedia

The library holds an extensive collection of CD-Roms, DVDs, video, audio, microfiche and microfilm that are available for use in the Multimedia Room.

For a complete list please view the Library Collections link on the library website <http://library.gmit.ie>

Internet

PCs providing access to the Internet are available for library users with current GMIT ID cards.

Exam papers

Past exam papers can be viewed or printed from the library website <http://library.gmit.ie>

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Humanities

The library holds a broad range of resources, both printed and electronic, to support the many subjects studied in the Department of Humanities.

Printed resources include books, journals, theses, official publications, exam papers and lecturer's material.

Electronic and multimedia resources include online journals, databases, Internet access, CD-Roms, DVDs, video, audio, microfiche and microfilm.

This guide gives a brief description of the humanities resources available in the library. For further information on any of the services, facilities or resources available in the library please contact staff at the Information Desk or refer to the other library guides.

Library Catalogue and Website

The online library catalogue is the starting point for locating information on a particular subject. It is a searchable listing of all the materials held in GMIT Libraries. Each catalogue record provides bibliographical information on an item as well as GMIT holding information such as Dewey class number (shelf number), location and availability.

In addition the Library website may be used to access GMIT library's electronic resources, reserve items, submit Inter Library Loan requests, view your own library account or make suggestions to the library.

Available: <http://library.gmit.ie>

Printed Resources

Books

There are approx. 100,000 volumes held in GMIT Libraries. They are shelved in subject order according to the Dewey Decimal Classification system. Each book in the library is assigned a Dewey class number that identifies its subject matter. This number can be found on the spine of the book. As Dewey is a numerical system, the books are arranged on the shelves in numerical order.

The following is a broad outline of the Dewey numbers that are relevant to Humanities.

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| 200-299 | Religion |
| 300-399 | Social sciences |
| 390-399 | Customs, folklore |
| 400-499 | Language |
| 700-799 | The Arts |
| 720-729 | Architecture |
| 800-899 | Literature |
| 920-929 | Genealogy |
| 930-939 | Ancient history (Archaeology) |
| 940-999 | History |

001-499 and 700-999 are held on the Ground Floor.
500-699 are held on the First Floor.

Journals

Journals are often the most up-to-date source of information on a topic. GMIT Libraries subscribe to approx. 500 print journal titles, many of which relate to humanities.

The current year's journals are shelved on the Ground Floor behind the stairs and are arranged in subject order using Dewey class numbers.

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| E.g. | 291.2 | <i>Irish Theological Quarterly</i> |
| | 930 | <i>Antiquity</i> |
| | 941.5 | <i>Irish Historical Studies</i> |

Journals cont.

Back issues of journals are held on the journal shelves 001-499 and 700-999 on the Ground Floor
500-699 on the First Floor

An additional 8,500 full text journals are available in electronic format via the online databases.

See *Electronic Resources*

Theses

Heritage and other degree and diploma theses are held in the Restricted Loan area beside the Circulation Desk on the Ground Floor. They may be used in the Library for up to 3 hours at a time.

Heritage Collection & Desk Reserve

An extensive collection of heritage material has been deposited in the library by GMIT lecturers. These and other heavily used items are held on Desk Reserve at the Circulation/Information Desk on the Ground Floor and may be used in the library for 3 hours at a time.

Map Collection

The map collection is held in the Restricted Loan area beside the Circulation Desk on the Ground Floor.

Western Theological Trust Collection (WTT)

This collection of 21,000 religious books was acquired by the Western Theology Institute and is now held in trust by GMIT. WTT books are shelved on the First Floor.

Other

Other printed resources include Government and EU Publications, Acts, Judgements, Company Reports, Heritage Pamphlets and Exam Papers

Electronic & Multimedia Resources

Online Journals

Online versions are available for many of the printed journals by following the link on the catalogue record to the electronic version. In addition thousands of journals are available in electronic format via the databases.