

GMIT Library News

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Welcome to the Library



The big news in the library this term is the move to a new library system. We migrated from Millennium Library System which has ran our library operations since 1999 to Koha Integrated Library System.

After many months of hard work by library staff, Koha went live on Thursday 6th April. We are still in the implementation phase so we ask for your patience for any issues that may arise. There are a few changes to note with library accounts and logins. Please see p.2 for details.

We are in the busiest time of the year for students. If the library can help in any way, please let us know. Call to the library desk, phone 091 742785 or email library@gmit.ie but do let us know if there are problems in relation to library services or facilities.

We wish all students the very best in the upcoming exams.

Cúirt in the Library

We are delighted to welcome Cheryl Lu-Lien Tan to GMIT Library. Cheryl hosts a workshop in the library on Friday 28th April as part of the Cúirt International Festival of Literature.

Read more about this event on p.4



Registrar Michael Hannon checking out a book on the first day of the new library system, Koha. The new system went live in GMIT Library on Thursday 6th April.

Maura Stephens, Koha Implementation Coordinator, was on hand for the check out.

EimearJean McCormack Exhibition



An exhibition of the work of artist EimearJean McCormack is currently on display in the Dublin Rd campus. EimearJean works in the CCAM campus and recently completed a Masters degree in Graphic Design. She has exhibited extensively throughout Ireland and internationally including exhibitions in Berlin, London, New York, San Francisco and Philadelphia.

Mayo Library News

The Reverend Professor Enda McDonagh Collection

Professor Enda McDonagh kindly donated his collection of 9,000 books, 130 journals and all his private papers to GMIT. They are housed in the Moore Library on the Mayo campus.

Professor McDonagh, came from Began, Co. Mayo; he was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Tuam in 1955 and spent much of his academic career in St Patrick's College, Maynooth where he was Professor of Moral Theology from 1958 to 1995. He was the official chaplain to Mrs Mary Robinson during her term as President of Ireland. He wrote and contributed to many books, lectured widely in Europe, USA and Africa and was a theological and ethical advisor to NGOs in many countries on development issues, particularly with AIDS victims in Africa and Asia.

The papers archive span the years 1939-2008; it includes papers related to McDonagh's academic career, research interests, publications, speaking engagements, correspondence and representative work with NGO's and charities at home and abroad.

Work on the collection is an ongoing project with circa 5,000 titles catalogued on the library system. An archivist was employed for a period of one year to work on the collection. Professor McDonagh's private papers are now catalogued and available for consultation to bona fide researchers.

Access to the collection is by appointment only; all information regarding the collection including conditions of access can be viewed at <http://libguides.gmit.ie/specialcollections>.

The collection provides a unique insight into the area of moral theology and ethics, and provides a perspective on political, social and cultural life in Ireland during his lifetime.

Rev Professor Enda McDonagh and former President Mary Robinson at the handover of the library to GMIT



The archive spans the years 1939—2008

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Examples of students work from the book module on display in CCAM Library

The most recent book display (right) in CCAM Library was on comics and sequential art of which the library has a large selection. Also on this theme, the Winter 2016 issue of *Art Journal* featured an article on *fumetti* or photo comics which were published in Italy in 70s and 80s by Renzo Barieri. We also have copies of *Persepolis*, a graphic autobiography and *War's End* by Joe Sacco a war cartoonist.



Book display in CCAM Library

We are looking forward to the seeing the amazing work of the students in the final year exhibition—not to be missed!

CCAM Open Day is Saturday 6th May and the library will open from 10.00am to 12.00.

Comics in CCAM!

New library management system up and running



Koha went live in the library on 6th April after many months of work migrating changing from Millennium.

Koha is a web based open source system, originally developed in New Zealand in 2000. It supports the full suite of library functions, including cataloguing, acquisitions circulation, serials, inter-library loans and OPAC. It is smart device friendly and can be used by staff and library users on smart phones and tablets.

GMIT library is the second site to go live, WIT was the first, and all the other institutes in the IoT sector are on schedule to implement the new system by the end of 2017.

Library Accounts

As we are still in the implementation phase, we ask for your patience until all resources are fully operational in Koha.

Unfortunately library accounts are not yet enabled, we hope to have them live shortly. This means that students and staff are unable to access library accounts, particularly to renew books. If you need to renew items, please email us at library@gmit.ie and we will do so as soon as possible.

All other functions on the website are still available, including past exam papers, online journal articles and ebooks.

New logins for e-resources

With the move to our new library system we are in the process of simplifying the way you login to the online library resources. The new login requires your GMIT email address and GMIT computer password as opposed to your name, student number and library PIN which you have been used to using.

This transition is a work in progress so **you may be asked to login with either**, depending on what you are trying to access through the online library.

This is the **old login page**
(all resources are moving away from this)

This is the **new login page**
(all resources are moving towards this)



Library staff getting to grips with Koha, the new Library management system

Library Opening Hours

Monday - Thursday 09.00 - 22.00
Friday 09.00 - 21.00
Saturday 10.00 - 17.00
Please note : Full day opening on Saturdays

Desk Services

Monday - Thursday 09.30 - 21.30
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Saturday 10.00 - 17.00

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Cheryl Lu-Lien Tan

Cúirt events in the Library

Cúirt International Festival of Literature runs from 23-30 April and the Library is hosting a Cúirt workshop on Friday 28th April at 1.00pm.

Cheryl Lu-Lien Tan is a native of Singapore and is currently based in New York. She has written for *The Wall Street Journal* and has had stories printed in *The New York Times* and *The Paris Review*.

Cheryl will give a workshop **Writing on Food: Tales from the Kitchen**, drawing from her 2011 work, *A Tiger in the Kitchen: A Memoir of Food and Family*.

Event : Tales from the Kitchen: Writing on Food

Venue: Library Training Room

Date : Friday 28th April

Time : 1.00pm



CCAM campus will host a Cúirt event on Thursday 27th April. This is a talk on writing for TV and film followed by a screenwriting workshop.

The talk and workshop will be given by Lindsey J. Sedgewick. Lindsey is currently writer in residence at Maynooth University and Kildare Co. Library & Arts Service. She has just published her first novel, *Dad's Red Dress*. She teaches screenwriting in DCU and Filmbase.



Lindsay J. Sedgewick