
GMIT Library News

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Happy New Year to all students and staff. We hope you enjoyed your Christmas break and that you are back to college ready to face a new year, a new term and a new currency!

In this issue we look at library charges for photocopying and fines and how they convert to Euro. We look at new services available through the Web OPAC and some new book and journal titles just available in the library.

To celebrate the new year, we also have a new poem from our library scribe, Mary O'Rourke and a fines amnesty! What more could you ask for!

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2 EU20.00 book tokens to be won in our Newsletter Quiz!

Opening Hours

Mon -Thurs 9.00am -10.00pm

Friday 9.00 - 9.00pm

Saturday 10.00am - 1.00pm

Desk Services

Mon – Thurs 9.30am - 9.20pm

Friday 9.30am - 8.50pm

Saturday 10.00am - 12.50pm



Please note!

The library is now open on Friday evening and Saturday morning.

The Euro in the Library

This is how our library charges convert to Euro.

Photocopy card

EU 3.00 will copy 42 A4 pages (£2.00 cards copied 33 pages, so there is a gain of a few pages.)

Fines

EU 0.10 per book per day and EU 0.50 per day for I Day Loan and Desk Reserve

(As the punt charges were 10p and 50p, there is a reduction in cost.)

Inter Library Loans

EU5.00 per request

(Cost in punts =£4.00)



To ease us all into the Euro, there will be a fines amnesty on all items due back before the end of Dec 2001.

The logo for Electronic Services features the words "Electronic Services" in a 3D, orange, blocky font. The letters are slightly offset to create a sense of depth and perspective.

**Put in Maura's piece on
Barbour health and safety**

Library Web Opac : New Services.

As part of the MIS Libraries Project countrywide, GMIT library has implemented and installed the new library system, **Millennium**. We are pleased to announce major developments in this area that provide additional services to you the user and which we hope you will find useful. These services are available on your desktop.

To access all these facilities:

<http://gmitlib.gmit.ie>

Or

Via the institute web page at:

<http://www.gmit.ie>

Information

Library

***Check our library catalogue
here***

**The following are the
additional services now in
operation:**

SEARCH THE CATALOGUE

A new user-friendly interface to our catalogue completes with links to online journal resources. By selecting certain journals just click on the link "Access online resource."

To access:

Click Search our catalogue

INTER LIBRARY LOAN FORMS

Online inter library forms are available via our web opac. Just fill in the form and hit submit. No need to come to the library to fill out paper forms.

To access:

Click Inter library loans

***Select the relevant form, book,
periodical etc***

ELECTRONIC DATABASES

We now have links to our web based databases. Some of them will require a user name and password. Please email or ask at the issue desk for them.

To access:

Click Electronic Databases

Select the relevant database

VIEW YOUR RECORD

It is now possible to check your library account via the web opac. Simply type in your name, your library ID number as on your library card and a pin number. You just select any pin number of your choice and confirm it. You can also modify it at a later date if you so wish by just hitting the "Modify Pin" button.

You can check what books you have out, when they are due back and you can also renew them yourself online. You can also check the status of your inter library loans, whether they are awaiting arrival or whether they have arrived in the library and are awaiting pickup.

To access:

Click View your record

Insert name

Insert library ID number

Insert pin no.

FEATURED LISTS

Academic staff has continually recommended more progress reports regarding their orders. As part of this process we have listed all departments in the Galway and Castlebar campuses with a list of all new books received to date.

To access:

Featured lists

Select the relevant department

EXAM PAPERS

2001 papers are also available on line and we hope over the coming academic year to add our previous exam papers to this as well. We are in the process of transferring our old scanned exam papers over to the new library system.

To access:

Search the Catalogue

Course reserves exam papers

COURSE RESERVES

This is an excellent service we can offer our users subject to staffing resources. Staff can request articles to be scanned in here as well as notes etc and we can make these available to all our students subject to copyright restrictions. This is accessible from all desktops in the Institute and over time remotely as well subject to patron verification.

To access:

***Course reserves by course or
lecturer***

OTHER LIBRARIES VIA Z39.50

There is a list of libraries available for searching via a common user interface for all databases. All the IT libraries,

Irish Universities, British Library, Library of Congress as well as a few American libraries are listed.

To access:

Other libraries via z39.50

Select the site you want

SUGGESTIONS

The library is always interested in any recommendations you would like to make for the improvement of the library service. Just fill in the suggestions form and hit submit.

To access:

Click suggestions.

BOOKS THE LIBRARY SHOULD ACQUIRE

If you would like to recommend any books for purchase, please feel free to fill up this form. This form however is not intended to replace our official order forms, which must go through our library committee representatives. We are currently working on an online book order form, which we hope to mount on the college intranet. We hope to be able to offer this service in the next academic year.

To access:

Click books to acquire

POEM ON THE WEB

As part of our celebration on completion of the implementation of Millennium, Mary O'Rourke our resident poet in the library composed a poem in its honour. We hope you enjoy it.

To access:

Click Poem on the web.



Here are some new titles available in the library

Computer Arts

This title is published thirteen times a year by Future Publishing Ltd. It reports, nurtures and facilitates creativity using the latest technology. This title is available in Cluain Mhuire Art Library

London Review of Books

With names like Frank Kermode on its editorial board, the London Review of Books rates as one of the heavyweights of the literary reviews. It is published fortnightly by LRB Ltd. It examines, at essay length, new titles by major British and American university presses and the quality trade publishers. A fulltext archive of past reviews and letters is available on its website.

This title is available in Cluain Mhuire Art Library.



No excuses for not keeping up with current affairs!

The following newspapers are available daily in the main campus library:

Irish Times
Irish Independent
Examiner

Guardian
Times
Financial Times
The Sunday Business Post is available on Mondays.

The following newspapers are available daily in Cluain Mhuire

Art Library:
Irish Times
Irish Independent
Guardian



New Year's Resolutions

This year can hold much promise
Old habits give way to new
This is based on the premise
That the changes are up to you.

If you decide to study more
Pay a daily visit to the library
Though it may be an awful chore
Make it your priority.

Tidy up the flat, share out the tasks
Housesharing must be fair
Do your job before someone asks
Or the landlady descends -
Beware

Save some Euro if you can
To fund your J1 visa
So you'll get a natural tan
In Florida's Bella Vista.

Make your resolutions small
Don't say I'll be lazy no more

Just say I'll get up with the call
Let attainable goals come to the fore.

Humour often saves the day
Smile at someone you don't know
They might smile back and say
2002 is going my way!

Mary O'Rourke



Other Campus News

Cluain Mhuire Art Library



Not since the days of the Redemptorists had so many members of the clergy graced the corridors of Cluain Mhuire as when the Western Theological Trust Library was officially opened on Friday 30th November. Very Rev. Michael Neary, Archbishop of Tuam opened the library which is located on the 3rd and 4th floors of the Art Library. For the last number of years, a FAS project has been involved in the cataloguing and organization of the library of over 3,000 volumes. The Bishops of

Galway, Most Rev James McLoughlin and Clonfert, Most Rev John Kirby and many priests attended as did the Director of GMIT, Dr. J.G. Corr and members of the Governing Body.

Wednesday 5th Dec was the Open Day in Cluain Mhuire. Students from all over the country came to see our campus and facilities. We are delighted that one of our students won one of the Newsletter quiz. Congratulations to Alison Ryan, 2nd Year Textiles. We would like to wish Ann and all the staff in the main library a very Happy New Year and thank them for their help and support. Our thanks also to Sharon Kelly who keeps the library in pristine condition. I leave you with this thought for the New Year : "Books are the quietest and most constant friends/ They are the most accessible and wisest of councillors/And the most patient of teachers" Charles Eliot 1834-1926.

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QUIZ!

**Just answer the question below to win.
Drop your answer into the quiz box opposite the Issue Desk.
Don't forget your name, address, course and phone number, if you have one.**

How much is a library photocopy card?

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New Book Titles in the Library

Here are some new titles just arrived in the library. They cover a wide range of subject areas.

On the Verge of Want
Compiled and edited by James Morrissey

In the early 1890s, inspectors from the Congested Districts Board carried out a survey of living conditions in the west of Ireland. This book relies on the original documents to record the often appalling conditions of people which prevailed just over a century ago.

Public Architecture in Ireland 1680-1760

By Edward McParland
Written by an architectural historian, this book focuses on public buildings as art and architecture and the social, economic and political context in which they were built.

Wherever Green Is Worn
By Tim Pat Coogan

This is the story of the Irish diaspora. It is based on research worldwide and also examines the reasons why people emigrated in such numbers from this country. These titles are available in the main library.