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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this paper is to present a study on the brief history of Australian National University Library and its Catalogue Searching. The aim of this paper is to know about the Australian National University Library. In this paper, library mission, library brief history, library services and library catalogue searching. The result finding of this study will be useful to users, cataloguers, researchers, librarians and who interested in cataloguing search ways. So, it is useful as a research tool for the students.

Australian National University Library

The Australian National University Library is part of the Australian National University, one of the world's major research universities.

Mission

“To achieve excellence in the provision and promotion of information services to meet the research, teaching and learning needs of the University”.

History

The Australian National University (ANU) Library has its foundations in the appointment of the first University Librarian, Arthur Leopold Gladstone McDonald (1898-1981) in early 1948. The importance of the establishment of the ANU Library in the development of the University was such that McDonald was appointed by the Interim Council before any of the professors.

Initially McDonald and several assistants were housed in Ormond College at the University of Melbourne, where they began to form the collection. At the end of 1950 the collection, which had grown to approximately 40, 000 volumes, was transferred to Canberra, to be located in the Canberra Community Hospital and nearby huts. Over the course of the 1950s the collection grew steadily, and by the time of McDonalds retirement 1960 the collection had grown to 150, 000 volumes (excluding pamphlets).

Libraries

Bookshelves on the top floor of the Chifley Library

The ANU Library collection is housed in 4 main locations - the R.G. Menzies Building (Asia Pacific material), the J.B. Chifley Building (Social Sciences & Humanities material), the W.K. Hancock Building (Science material) and the Law Library in the Law School Building. Additional services are provided by 5 science branch libraries.

Art and Music Library

The Art and Music Library, located in the School of Art, services both the School of Art and School of Music. It is the principal fine arts library at the ANU, and holds material on visual arts in many formats including: books, exhibition catalogues, videos, CD Roms, DVDs, slides (more than 70,000 35mm slides), journals and magazines. The ANU’s music

collections are also held in this library; material is held in many formats, including: performance scores, CDs, LPs, books, collected works, journals and electronic databases.

Chemistry Branch Library

The Chemistry Branch Library, Arthur Birch Building, Building 35, Research School of Chemistry, holds over 400 current serials and over 22,000 monographs relating to Organic, inorganic, physical and theoretical chemistry with strengths in theoretical organic chemistry, coordination chemistry, solid state chemistry, chemical physics, and surface and colloid chemistry.

Earth Sciences Branch Library

The Earth Sciences Branch Library, Jaeger Building, Building 61, Research School of Earth Sciences, holds over 500 current serials and over 26,000 monographs relating to geochemistry, geophysics, lunar and planetary studies.

Eccles Medical Sciences Library

Located at the John Curtin School of Medical Research, the Eccles Medical Sciences Library contains material relating to biomedical sciences, especially biochemistry, immunology, microbiology, pharmacology, physiology and virology, with strengths in medical molecular biology, cellular biology, molecular immunology, molecular genetics, developmental neurobiology and visual neurosciences, ageing, visual cognition, neuropsychology of language and perceptual development.

J. B. Chifley Building

Located South of the Union and Concession Buildings J. B. Chifley Building, Building 15, contains the main ANU social sciences and humanities collections relating to Australia, Europe and the Americas, as well as the Reserve Area for the social sciences and humanities. Principal subject areas covered include: Economics, Education, Fine Art, History, Languages, Linguistics, Literature, Philosophy, Political Science, Religion, Sociology, Women's Studies and Official Documents.

Law Library

The Law Library, located in the Law School, Fellows Road, Building 5, is the main location of the law collection on campus. The law collection houses statutes and case law from every Australian jurisdiction and several commonwealth countries. Special emphasis has been given to public and international law in the collection.

R. G. Menzies Building

The collections in the R. G. Menzies Building support Asia Pacific Studies, in particular in the fields of history, anthropology, political science, literature and non-Judeo/Christian religions. General social science subjects held in Menzies are: anthropology, international relations, military and naval science, and library science. Material unique to the building includes:

- East Asian language collections;
- Asia Pacific Official Documents;
- Rare books, manuscripts and special collections;
- ANU theses collection; and
- United Nations collection;

Rare Books / Special Collections

ANU rare books and special collections are housed in a closed access collection held in the Rare Book Room in the R. G. Menzies Building. Notable special collections include:

- Petr Herel collection of Artists' Books and Limited Editions Portfolios: contains works created in the Graphic Investigation Workshop (1978-1998) at the Canberra School of Art;
- Mortlake Collection: ten thousand volumes of nineteenth century English literature, particularly strong in yellow-backs, 'sensation novels' published by Minerva Press, Gothic novels and in children's literature;
- La Nauze Collection: over 500 volumes on political economy, containing many early works in this field including a first edition of Adam Smith's *An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations*, 1776;
- Joseph Needham Collection: a small collection of Chinese books and serials on mathematics and physics is located in the Hancock Library.

- Kapper Collection: approximately 1250 volumes reflects the selection available on the shelves of a small town Australian bookshop about 50 years ago.
- Kohler Collection: Edwardian novels.

W. K. Hancock Building

The W. K. Hancock Building, located on Biology Road, in Buildings 43 and 122, houses the principal ANU science collections, in over 900 current serials and over 200,000 monographs. The main subject areas covered include: General science, history and philosophy of science, science policy; the mathematical and computing sciences; psychology; biological sciences; environmental science; forestry; geography; geology; and engineering and technology.

Caldwell Library

The Caldwell Library holds a small collection of approximately 1,700 demographic publications. It is located in the Coombs Building, and originated as the reading room for the ANU's demography program.

ANU Archives

The ANU Archives preserves the university's own archives and collects archives of business, trade unions, professional associations and industry bodies, to support research by the University community and the general public.

It collects in two areas, the University Archives and the Noel Butlin Archives Centre.

University Archives

The University Archives hold a range of material dating from the late 1920s relating to the history of The Australian National University. This material is available under a 30-year rule (progressing to a 20-year rule by 2021) which means that records up to the mid-1980s can be generally used for research. The collection includes minutes of the ANU Council and other University committees, correspondence files, photographs, plans, and publications such as annual reports and the ANU Reporter. The papers of academic and senior staff of the University and University organisations are also part of the University Archives. The acquisition of material is governed by a collecting policy.

Noel Butlin Archives Centre

The entrance to the Acton Underhill facility which houses the Noel Butlin Archives. The archives' reading room is located in the Menzies Library.

The Noel Butlin Archives Centre (NBAC) collects business and labour records from Australian companies, trade unions, industry bodies and professional organisations. We are a national organisation interested in material from all states and territories. The NBAC holds the records of large companies such as the Australian Agricultural Company, Burns Philip, CSR Ltd, Dalgety's, Tooth and Company and the Adelaide Steamship Company as well as those of smaller businesses such as pastoral stations. We hold records of federally registered trade unions and their predecessors, and of peak councils such as the Australian Council of Trade Unions (ACTU) and the National Farmers Federation. The records date from the 1820s to the early 21st century and include files, photographs, minutes of meetings, some staff and membership records, maps and plans, and publications such as trade journals and union newsletters. Some material may be closed because it is very recent or the owners' permission may be required before it can be used.

The collection supports research on topics such as industrial relations, immigration, working women, indigenous employment, architecture, economic history, family history, social history in Australia and the Pacific, and on particular industries such as agriculture, timber, shipping, mining, brewing, advertising and finance. In addition, the Archives contain the National AIDS Archive Collection, which documents the history of HIV/AIDS education and prevention throughout Australia.

The Noel Butlin Archives collection is divided into the following categories:

Companies, Organisations including trade unions and professional associations, Personal Papers, National AIDS Archive Collection, Maps, Photographs.

The acquisition of material is governed by a collecting policy.

The site, and the collection, received considerable public attention after it was featured by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation's station, ABC Local Radio 666AM, in early January 2014, including an online story.

Catalogue search

Advanced catalogue search

The Library Catalogue contains all items and subscriptions owned or licensed by the Library, with the exception of e-resources. A number of media types are found in the Library Catalogue.

There are about 1.3 million records in the ANU Catalogue. A catalogue record holds all the information about an item and is displayed on screen in three parts:

- title/author, publisher and edition (top box)
- access information (middle section)
- further details (lower box).

Each item in the Catalogue has a call number telling you where an item can be found within a specific Library branch.

Catalogue search tips

Simple search

- Enter your search on the homepage—you can use a phrase, a few words, or something complex.
- Selecting **Search** lets you choose another type of search—for example title, author, subject, ISBN/ISSN.
- Selecting **Include** lets you can choose a different scope of material to search—for example electronic only, journals only, electronic journals.
- Once results have been generated, select a title for more details.
- To email results to yourself, select the check box for the results you want and select **save marked records** to email them to yourself or print them out.

Improving results

- Narrow your search topic—in the Keyword search, use more specific words or add words using **AND**.
- Broaden your search—in the Keyword search, combine synonyms, related terms or ideas using **OR**.
- Consider alternative spellings and variant word endings—in the Keyword search, find these using wildcard and truncation symbols, for example colo?r, comput*.
- Use a **Subject** search to find related material.

- The **Advanced search** menu gives you the maximum search options.

E-resources and databases

E-resources and databases are electronic information repositories that can include collections of electronic journals; indexes; collections of electronic books, or multimedia publications.

Some e-resources and databases subscribed to by the Library require passwords. ANU staff and students can log in to these e-resources and databases using their ANU ID and an e-resource password. All e-resources and databases requiring a password are identified in the A - Z listing.

A number of e-resources and databases require specific searching, including:

- non-networked e-resources (databases only available on particular computers in Library locations due to licensing restrictions).
- e-resources hosted on the Citrix server (e-resources on the ANU Citrix server—networked CDROMs—that require an appropriate Citrix Receiver plugin to be installed).
- Internet accessible databases (e-resources accessible from any computer connected to the Internet).

All e-resources and databases requiring special searching are identified in the A - Z listing. Most e-resources and databases subscribed to by the ANU Library are restricted to ANU staff and students for licensing reasons. ANU students and staff can access e-resources on campus, or off campus via the Information Technology Services Reverse Proxy Login.

The Library periodically conducts e-resources trials and welcomes your evaluation of these resources.

Adobe Digital Editions

Books from EBL (Electronic Book Library) and some other e-book providers require you to install Adobe Digital Editions (ADE) on your personal computer. This is a digital rights management system that protects the book publisher against unauthorised copying and distribution.

When you install, you must register online. After registering, you must associate any e-book you download with your Adobe ID.

To use the e-book on a different computer, you must register it to your Adobe ID. You can use your Adobe ID on up to six devices.

Detailed information about using Adobe Digital Editions is available to all users.

Full text e-journals

Use this page to search or browse for journal or newspaper titles available through the Library in electronic form - **search tips**.

Off-campus users will need a network username and password. An additional username and password may be required to access some journals.

This list covers full-text e-journals only. Print journals and e-books held by the ANU Library can be searched in the catalogue.

Other library catalogues

- University Libraries of Australia and New Zealand (ULANZ)
Visit other Australian universities and borrow their books.
- ACT (Access Canberra Technology) University and Academic Libraries (ACTUAL)
Visit other ACT academic libraries and borrow their books.

ACT library catalogues

- National Library of Australia: Catalogue
- Department of Health
- ACT public library catalogues
- Australian Catholic University Library
- Australian Defence Force Academy Library
- Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS) Library
- Canberra Hospital Library
- Canberra Institute of Technology
- Charles Sturt University
- CSIRO Black Mountain Library
Not open to the public, but ANU lecturers and research fellows are allowed access.
- University of Canberra Library

Australian library catalogues

- National Library of Australia: Australian Libraries Gateway

International library catalogues

- WorldCat - search thousands of catalogues simultaneously
- The British Library Integrated Catalogue
- The Library of Congress (USA)
- lib-web-cats at Vanderbilt University Library - index of over 4500 libraries
- Libraries outside Australia - part of Australian Libraries Gateway
- National Library Catalogues Worldwide (Wikipedia)
- National Libraries of the world
- LibDex - The Library Index
- The European Library - the national libraries of Europe

Conclusion

In conclusion, this paper can be provided the useful information for library field. It should be the best choice for users when to search the data and how to use the catalogue. Moreover, users to know the other libraries catalogues and international library catalogues.

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