Using Library Resources Off-Campus

Details of all of the Library’s Off-Campus services are available at [https://library.nuigalway.ie/usingthelibrary/off-campusservices/](https://library.nuigalway.ie/usingthelibrary/off-campusservices/). Details of extra online resources available at this time are available at [http://hardimanlibrary.blogspot.com/2020/04/online-resources-now-available.html](http://hardimanlibrary.blogspot.com/2020/04/online-resources-now-available.html).

Looking at your subject’s Libguide, especially relating to databases, will also be of value. [http://libguides.library.nuigalway.ie/az.php](http://libguides.library.nuigalway.ie/az.php)

E-books

Links to digitised copies of many of the books we hold in Special Collections are available through the library catalogue at [https://library.nuigalway.ie/](https://library.nuigalway.ie/)

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A digitised copy is available by clicking on the green Online Access link in the example above.

- Some Book databases
- The library also has access to databases of books, particularly those printed in the earlier centuries. You can access these by searching on the library catalogue for the title.
Early English Books Online – for books published before 1700


Eighteenth Century Collections Online

The publishers claim this collection contains every significant English-language and foreign-language title printed in the United Kingdom between the years 1701 and 1800.

The Making of the Modern World

The Making of the Modern World covers the history of Western trade, encompassing the coal, iron, and steel industries, the railway industry, the cotton industry, banking and finance, and the emergence of the modern corporation. It is also strong in the rise of the modern labor movement, the evolving status of slavery, the condition and making of the working class, colonization, the Atlantic world, Latin American/Caribbean studies, social history, gender, and the economic theories.

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Periodicals

It is likely that many of the library’s periodical or journal holdings will be available online, through a variety of suppliers.

For example, the *Ulster Journal of Archaeology* is available from JSTOR, one of the largest journal databases. It is also possible to search JSTOR directly or browse by your subject area. You can also use the *Libguide on Databases*. The library’s Academic Skills team have prepared guides by subject which you can access here [http://libguides.library.nuigalway.ie/Libraryguidesandtutorials](http://libguides.library.nuigalway.ie/Libraryguidesandtutorials). Consult the guide for the relevant subject and then click on *Journals* for more advice on accessing articles published in journals/periodicals. NOTE: Many of the hardcopy periodicals held in the Special Collections Reading Room are only published in print, particularly those produced by voluntary historical societies. Occasionally local library services in Ireland have made back runs of these available on their websites e.g. *Déise: the journal of the Waterford Archaeological & Historical Society* which is available through the Waterford public library service. It is also worth checking the website of the relevant society for more information. A list of these will be available shortly on the Local Studies web page.

Newspapers

Many newspaper titles are available electronically, including archives from earlier years. Visit the Library’s newspaper page for details of local, national and international newspapers available online, [http://library.nuigalway.ie/collections/specialcollections/newspapers/](http://library.nuigalway.ie/collections/specialcollections/newspapers/)

Maps

Many maps have been made available online by public bodies such as the Ordnance Survey of Ireland and the Ordnance Survey of Northern Ireland. See our Map Resources guide at [https://library.nuigalway.ie/media/jameshardimanlibrary/Map-Resources-in-the-Library-and-online-(1).pdf](https://library.nuigalway.ie/media/jameshardimanlibrary/Map-Resources-in-the-Library-and-online-(1).pdf) for more details. In addition, the Map Library at UCD has prepared a very comprehensive guide to maps relating to Irish counties which can be accessed online. See [https://libguides.ucd.ie/findingmaps/mapshistoriccounties](https://libguides.ucd.ie/findingmaps/mapshistoriccounties)
Official Publications

- Irish Government Publications

At least some reports of Irish government departments have been made available online by searching the website of the relevant department e.g. the Department of Education annual reports are available online from 1999 onwards.


Government debates: The debates in both Dáil and Seanad Éireann have been digitised and are available at https://www.oireachtas.ie/en/debates/find/

- UK Government Publications

The library has access to the House of Commons Parliamentary Papers database which includes documents published by the Westminster parliament from the 18th-21st centuries. Type “House of Commons Parliamentary Papers” into the library catalogue.

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Archives

Some of our archival collections have been digitised and are available to view at our digital library https://digital.library.nuigalway.ie/ The archivists are also producing a series of blog updates and podcasts concerning the collections which can be accessed at http://nuigarchives.blogspot.com/.

Help and Advice

Special Collections staff are working our usual hours from home. We are more than happy to help as much as we can. You can contact us by emailing specialcollections@nuigalway.ie