

Using The Van Wagenen Library Catalog

Basic Search

The basic search allows you to either browse or search by keywords, depending which search type you choose in the selection box at the left side of the page. Browsing options such as *Title begins with...* and *Subject begins with...* give you an alphabetical results list which you can browse through for the particular title, subject, etc. that you are interested in. Keyword searching options such as *Word(s) Anywhere* and *Author Word(s)* will give you a list of items which meet the search criteria.



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Welcome to our library catalog.

Basic Search

Search type: Word(s) Anywhere
Title begins with...
Title Word(s)
Author (last name first)
Author Word(s)
Subject begins with...
Subject Word(s)
Series Title begins with...
Series Title Word(s)
Call Number begins with...

Search for: Go

Example: othello and shakespeare

Search Hints:

- Lower-case letters will find matches of capitalized words also. For example, *computer* will find matches for *computer*, *Computer* and *COMPUTER*.
- You may use the Boolean operators AND and OR in your search string. For example, you could type *(heart OR cardiac) AND surgery* to retrieve all records having *heart* or *cardiac* in them, together with the word *surgery*.
- Use the ? character to find matches that contain portions of words. For example, *gun?* will retrieve *gun*, *guns*, *gunners*, *gunnery*, *gunning*, etc. In another example, *?ology* will retrieve *anthropology*, *archaeology*, *psychology*, etc. The ? character may also be used to find variant spellings. For example, *alumi?m* will find both the American spelling, *aluminum*, and the British spelling, *aluminium*.

Advanced Search

The advanced search gives you more searching options. You can search for things using other types of information such as publisher and year. You can search with multiple kinds information at the same time by combining things like author and title or subject and publisher. You can even get more specific by using Boolean operators (AND, OR, or NOT). AND will search for items that have all terms you've entered. OR will search for things in which either the words in the first box or the second box match. NOT will search for items which match the terms in the first box, but not the second.

The advanced search page also allows you to put limits on your search. For example, you could limit your results to things in French or to juvenile materials or to DVD's.

Quick Tip: In any search, a question mark (?) or an asterisk (*) may be used to replace part of a word to broaden a search. For example, AGRI? will search for agriculture, agricultural, agribusiness, etc.

Advanced Search

Field to Search	Search for	
All Fields <input type="button" value="v"/>	<input type="text"/>	AND <input type="button" value="v"/>
All Fields <input type="button" value="v"/>	<input type="text"/>	
<input type="button" value="Go"/> <input type="button" value="Clear"/>		

May use AND, OR, NOT, () e.g., poetry AND (anthology OR collection)

Limit search to:

Language:	All Languages <input type="button" value="v"/>	Year:	<input type="text"/> yyyy (Use ? for truncation)
Collection:	All collections <input type="button" value="v"/>	Format:	All Formats <input type="button" value="v"/>
Document Type:	All Document Types <input type="button" value="v"/>		
<input type="button" value="Go"/> <input type="button" value="Clear"/>			

The Browse List

Some searches will return a browse list. From the browse list, you can use the <Previous Page/Next Page> buttons to scroll through and find the title, subject, etc. that you are interested in and then click on it to see the items the library has.

You can also change to a different browse search by typing a word or phrase in the text box, then selecting a field to search from the drop-down box and clicking *Go*.

Full Catalog - Browse an Alphabetical Index

Type word or phrase:	<input type="text"/>
Select index to browse:	Subject <input type="button" value="v"/>
<input type="button" value="Go"/> <input type="button" value="Clear"/>	

Browse List: Subject

No. of Recs	Entry
	Germany Heer Oberkommando Generalstab - [LC Authority Record] See: Germany Heer Generalstab
7	Germany -- History - [LC Authority Record]
4	Germany -- History -- 20th century - [LC Authority Record]
6	Germany -- History -- 20th century -- Fiction
1	Germany -- History -- 20th century literature -- Fiction
1	Germany -- History -- 843-918 - [LC Authority Record]
1	Germany -- History -- 843-1273 - [LC Authority Record]
1	Germany -- History -- 1740-1806 - [LC Authority Record]
2	Germany -- History -- 1789-1900 - [LC Authority Record]
1	Germany -- History -- 1806-1815 - [LC Authority Record]

The Results Page

The Results screen shows you which materials the library has that match your search. The list is sorted with the newest things first but you can change it to suit your needs by clicking on one of the listed *Sort options* or the headings of the different columns.

To move through your results list, you can click on the *Next Page*> or <*Previous Page* buttons or you can jump to a specific record number by entering it in the box above the results list and clicking *Jump to #*.

To see more information about a specific item in the list, simply click on the item's title or the # at the left. To see details about the library's holdings for an item, click on *Availability* at the right side of the list.

Selected records:	View Selected		Save/Mail		Create Subset		Add to Basket		
Whole set:	Select All		Deselect		Rank		Refine		Filter

Results for W-Subject= (germany history); sorted by : Year (descending)/Author
Sort options : [Author/Year\(d\)](#) [Year\(d\)/Author](#) [Author/Title](#) [Title/Year\(d\)](#) [Year\(d\)/Title](#)

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#	Author	Title	Year	Library/Items	Call Number	Link to items
1	<input type="checkbox"/> Comeau, Phil.	Caesar's nightmare an ambush in the forest /	2004	(1 owned / 0 out)	DD123.C3 2004	Availability
2	<input type="checkbox"/> Long, Robert Emmet.	The reunification of Germany /	1992	(1 owned / 0 out)	DD262 .R48 1992	Availability
3	<input type="checkbox"/> Gudmundsson, Bruce I.	Stormtroop tactics : innovation in the German Army, 1914-1918 /	1989	(1 owned / 0 out)	D531.G85 1989	Availability
4	<input type="checkbox"/> Hoover, Arlie J.	God, Germany, and Britain in the Great War : a study in clerical nationalism /	1989	(1 owned / 0 out)	D639.R4H64 1989	Availability
5	<input type="checkbox"/> Sheehan, James J.	German history, 1770-1866 /	1989	(1 owned / 0 out)	DD203 .S48 1989	Availability
6	<input type="checkbox"/> Gelb, Norman.	The Berlin wall : Kennedy, Khrushchev, and a showdown in the heart of Europe /	1987	(1 owned / 0 out)	DD881 .G45 1987	Availability
7	<input type="checkbox"/> Tatar, Maria,	The hard facts of the Grimms' fairy tales /	1987	(1 owned / 0 out)	PT921.T38 1987	Availability
8	<input type="checkbox"/> Thomas, Donald E.,	Diesel : technology and society in industrial Germany /	1987	(1 owned / 0 out)	TJ140.D5 T48 1987	Availability
9	<input type="checkbox"/> Dearstyne, Howard.	Inside the Bauhaus /	1986	(1 owned / 0 out)	N332.G33 B443 1986	Availability
10	<input type="checkbox"/>	Witness to the Holocaust. Rise of the Nazis	1983	(1 owned / 0 out)	D810.J4 W57 pt. 1	Availability

You can also select things from your results list so that you can do different things with them later—just check the box next to the item/s. The *Selected records* menu allows you to manipulate the records you have chosen. For example, *Save/Mail* lets you save the selected records to a file or to email them and *Add to Basket* lets you stash items in your Basket to be combined with items from other searches. The contents of your basket can then be manipulated the same way as other selected items. Things in your Basket will remain there until deleted or until your session ends.

Search History

The *Search History* page allows you to see your past searches, run them again, and/or combine them. To re-run a previous search, check its box and click *View*. You can combine two searches at a time with the *Cross* button. Check the boxes for the searches you want to combine and click on *Cross*. This will take you to a page where you can choose how you want to combine them.

Within the Full Record for an Item...

The *<Previous Record/Next Record>* buttons allow you to move within the records of your results list. The *All items* link in the Holdings section of the record will give the locations of the items within the library. The *Choose format* list allows you to change how the record is displayed. For example, *Citation* will give just the citation information parts of the record (author, title, publication information).

Full View of Record

Choose format: [Standard format](#) [Catalog card](#) [Citation](#) [Name tags](#) [MARC tags](#)

Record 4 out of 4

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[Next Record ▶](#)

Holdings [All items](#)

Author [● Eyck, Erich, 1878-1964.](#)
Uniform Title [● Geschichte der Weimarer Republik. English](#)
Title [● A History of the Weimar Republic. Translated by Harlan P. Hanson and Robert G. L. Waite.](#)
Publisher [● Cambridge, Harvard University Press, 1962-1963.](#)
Descr. 2 v. 24 cm.

Location [DD237 .E913 v.1BOOK - UPSTAIRS STACKS](#)

Bibliogr. Includes bibliography.
Contents v. 1. From the collapse of the Empire to Hindenburg's election.--v. 2. From the Locarno Conference to Hitler's seizure of power.
Subject [● Germany -- History -- 1918-1933.](#)
Add.Title [● Weimar Republic.](#)
Sys. no. 000013537

Holdings [All items](#)

Clicking on any underlined term will allow you to search that term within the catalog. For example, within the record for *A History of the Weimar Republic*, there is the subject heading *Germany -- History -- 1918-1933*. Clicking on the subject heading will open a window which allows you to search for other items with the same heading.

Help

The Help option is available by clicking on the link in the menus at the top and bottom of the screen. This will open the help window which has information on searching, viewing results, and more.

Sign-In

The *Sign-In* feature allows you to access your library account. Signing in lets you see what items you have out, renew items, and more.