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A MAJOR IMPROVEMENT IN SUPPORT FOR UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND TEACHING PROGRAMMES FOR 2003

16,000 ONLINE TITLES ADDED TO THE COLLECTION

The Library has organised subscriptions to a number of packages of electronic journals for 2003. Altogether, over 16,000 titles will be acquired for the use of the University of Adelaide community. The majority of these titles are new to the Library's collection, but the packages also include a number of titles that the University was not able to renew over the past few years. Two of the packages alone, **ScienceDirect** and **Kluwer Online**, will give University researchers access to over 25% of all journals and 30% of all currently published articles indexed in the ISI Citation database. Others, such as the **EBSCO Host** files, **Lexis-Nexis** and the **Australian full-text** journal files, will be a major boon to the University's learning and teaching programmes.

The new titles cover all disciplines taught and researched at the University, and will be available 24 hours a day seven days a week to all members of the University, from their office or home computer. The journals can also be consulted by the University community from any of the five libraries of the university library system, and members of the South Australian public who visit any of the libraries will be able to consult most of them.

Access

Access to the journals will be available, title-by-title, from the Library Catalogue. Many of the journals are also searchable via the major journal index databases, with direct links to the full text of the articles. Records are being added to the Library Catalogue as quickly as possible, but it may be some time before all material is listed.

Acknowledgments

The Library was able to organise this exciting project with the financial assistance of the Executive Deans of Faculties, the use of endowment funds, and by careful but modest restructuring of the Library's budget to reduce slightly the funding for books and by reducing the subsidy for document delivery (the latter on the assumption that the new titles will reduce the demand for interlibrary loans and document delivery of articles not held by the Library). The Library is also a recipient of a Vice-Chancellor's Strategic Initiatives grant for establishment of the **JSTOR** database.

Thanks are due especially to those Faculties who assisted the Library in this major project, and also to members of the Library's project team: Stephen Cramond (Electronic Resources Information Librarian), who has been closely involved in the negotiations; Ruth Slater (Acquisition Librarian) for the work involved in purchasing and establishing electronic access records; and Paul Wilkins (Deputy University Librarian).

NEWSLINE is also on the Library's website: www.library.adelaide.edu.au/ual/publ/Newsline/



The following list and descriptions of the packages will indicate the vast and valuable resources that are being made available:

American Chemical Society

Provides access to the complete journal archive from volume 1 onwards for this key publisher in all aspects of chemistry. See pubs.acs.org/about.html for a list of ACS journals.

Australian Public Affairs; Law and Medical Full-Text Journals

The full text of over 400 Australian journals in social sciences, health sciences, and law. See www.informit.com.au/databases.asp?levels=ft for more details.

EBSCO Host 'Megafile'

A collection of over 3,700 online journals from a wide range of scholarly and trade publishers, covering all areas of academic enquiry. The journals are searchable via EBSCO's bibliographic databases in business, economics, nursing and multi-disciplinary areas. Many of the key business journals are available from volume 1 onwards.

JSTOR

Backfiles (volume 1 onwards) of over 270 core titles in all disciplines. The file ends 5 years ago, after which date it is assumed the Library has a current subscription to the journal. See www.jstor.org/about/collection.list.html for a list of titles.

Lexis-Nexis

The major online resource for law reports, cases, judgements, law journals, as well as about 10,000 newspapers and magazines relevant to legal, social science and economics research.

See www.library.adelaide.edu.au/news/trials#lex for information on, and access to Lexis-Nexis.

Kluwer

Access to over 700 titles from the second largest scholarly journal publisher. See www.kluweronline.com for a list of titles that will become available.

Nature online

Access to the weekly *Nature* and the specialist monthly titles in Biotechnology, Genetics, Medicine, Neuroscience and Structural Biology.

Project Muse

Access to all 140 humanities and social sciences journals from the major US university presses. See muse.jhu.edu/journals for a list of available titles.

ScienceDirect

Access to most of the 1500+ Elsevier, Academic Press, Churchill Livingstone, Bailliere and Saunders titles. See www.sciencedirect.com/ for a list of all available journals.

In addition the Library is subscribing to a service, **SerialsSolutions**, that will provide a comprehensive list, updated bimonthly, of all the changes in title, coverage and date-range of all the journals in these packages. This will enable the Library to make the catalogue considerably more complete and accurate in its listing of e-journals available to the University of Adelaide community.

Training

Arrangements can be made for individuals or Departments to receive training in the most effective methods of utilising electronic journals, including the application of personal bibliographic software, such as EndNote, so that all members of the University can get the maximum benefit from this research material.

More information

Watch the Library's website at www.library.adelaide.edu.au for the latest developments concerning these packages. Further information on these packages is available from your Branch Librarian or Research Librarian.