

IOE Library Guide

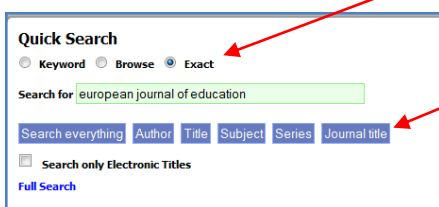
Finding journal articles

Journals are an important source of research and generally contain more up-to-date information than books. For each subject discipline, there will be key journals edited by experts who require articles to meet certain criteria before publication. These are referred to as peer-reviewed journals.

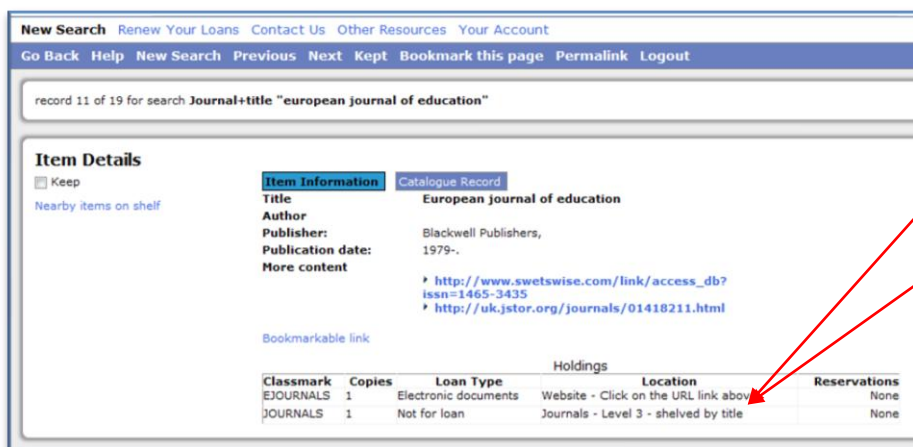
The IOE Library subscribes to over 5,000 journals on education and related subjects. Some are available in print, some in electronic form whilst some are available in both print and electronic format. All are listed on the Library Catalogue by **journal title**. However, you will not be able to find the individual **journal articles** on the Library Catalogue – for this you will need to use databases.

IOE Catalogue: searching for journal titles

If you know the exact title of the journal you want, simply type the journal title in the Library Catalogue search box, select **Exact** and click on the **Journal Title** search option:



If you do not know the complete title of the journal, try searching with **Browse** and **Journal title**. The results of the search are presented below.



Classmark	Copies	Loan Type	Location	Reservations
EJOURNALS	1	Electronic documents	Website - Click on the URL link above	None
JOURNALS	1	Not for loan	Journals - Level 3 - shelved by title	None

This tells you that this journal is available in print in the Journal collection on Level 3, and also electronically by clicking on the link given above.

Clicking on **Catalogue Record** will bring up additional holdings information, e.g. how frequently the journal is published and/or whether copies are missing as well as the subject headings (see below).

The screenshot shows the 'Item Details' page for 'Language learning journal'. It includes a sidebar with options like 'Keep', '+My List', and 'Continue search in Union List of Serials'. The main content area has two tabs: 'Item Information' and 'Catalogue Record'. The 'Catalogue Record' tab is active, displaying the following information:

Language learning journal	Association for Language Learning.
ISSN:	0957-1736
Title:	Language learning journal.
Publication info:	Rugby : Association for Language Learning, 1990-.
Frequency:	Twice per year.
Recently arrived:	V. 39 NO. 2 JUL 2011; V. 39 NO. 1 APR 2011;
Subject:	Language studies
Subject:	Periodicals
Added Author:	Association for Language Learning.
Supersedes:	British journal of language teaching
Supersedes:	Modern languages
Electronic access:	Full text electronic access Vol.15-, 1997- available http://www.swetswise.com/link/access_db?issn=1753-2167
Holdings:	n1-, 1990-
Holdings:	Lacks: n7.

The main print journal collection is shelved alphabetically by title on rolling stack shelves on Level 3. Curriculum Resources journals are by the Curriculum Resources Fiction section on Level 4. Although print journals cannot be borrowed, articles can be photocopied subject to copyright.

Less well used journals are in store and can be requested in advance by filling in a **Store Request** form. This option requires you to login to your **Library Account**. Store collections will be ready for pick-up at 11:30 and 15:30.

IOE Catalogue: accessing electronic journals

If you are at the IOE (and have logged in with your IOE username and password), you can link directly to articles by clicking on the URL link.

Tip! Please note that 'catalogue only' machines in the library do not have full internet access and will not link to e-journals.

If you are outside the IOE, but are logged in to the IOE Portal with your IOE username and password, you can also access electronic journals directly as above.

If you want to access electronic journals outside the Portal and outside the IOE, you will need to enter your Athens username and password after you click on the URL link in the Library Catalogue.

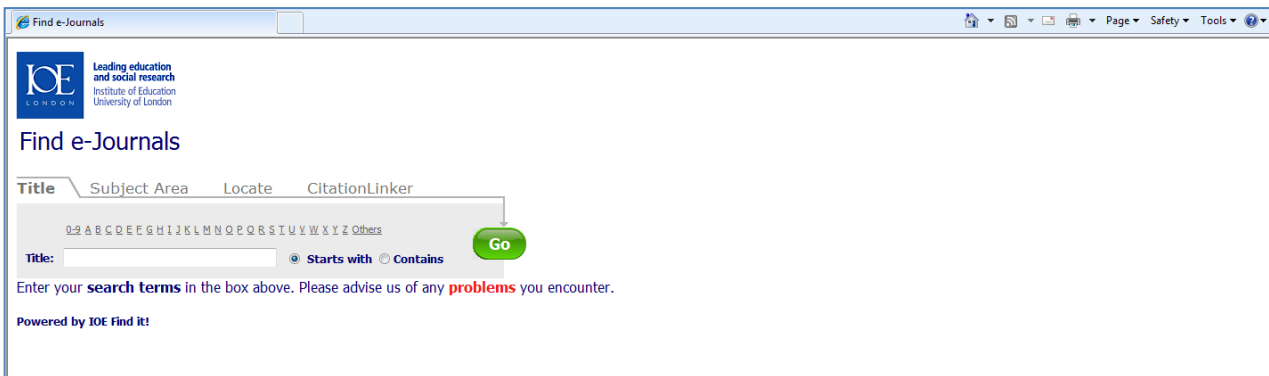
Tip! For further help with electronic access and usernames and passwords see the [Getting Started](#) guide which is also available on the Library web pages. Frequently asked questions about Athens are available on the guide [Athens FAQs](#)


E-journals A-Z

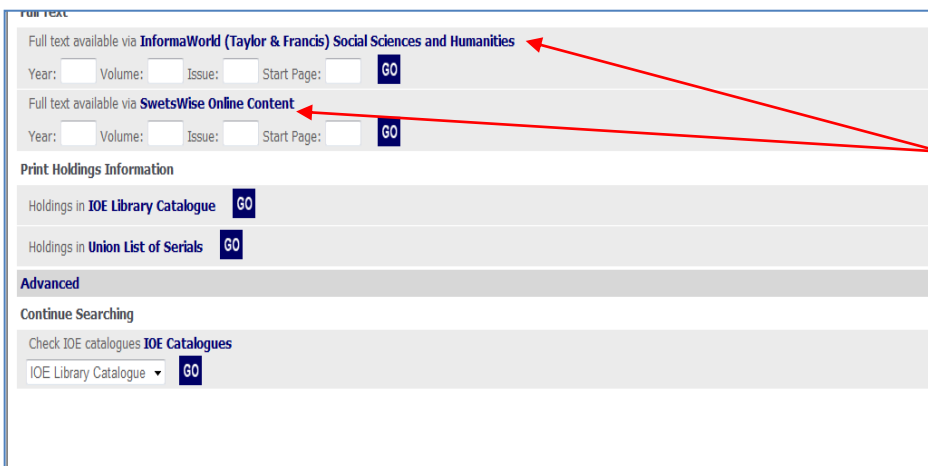
Another option for searching for e-journals is to use the e-journal search listed on the **Quick Links** column of the Library website. Do be aware that this search will restrict results to only those journals that are available electronically.

Tip! If you use this search, you may miss out on relevant (and sometimes older) materials only available in the print journals.


Searching here can be done by title or subject area.






You can use the *IOE Find it!* service wherever you see the  button or the phrase *IOE Find it!* Click on the button to be taken through to the menu as below.



In this example, you have two options for the full text article – either *InformaWorld* or *SwetsWise*.

Click on the  button to access full text where available or for additional services.

You can use  in catalogues, databases, Google Scholar and other search services. If your search starts in a database,  will provide direct links to the full text article where possible. If your search starts in the IOE Library Catalogue as a journal title search,  will provide links to the electronic full text and to print holdings in libraries as appropriate.

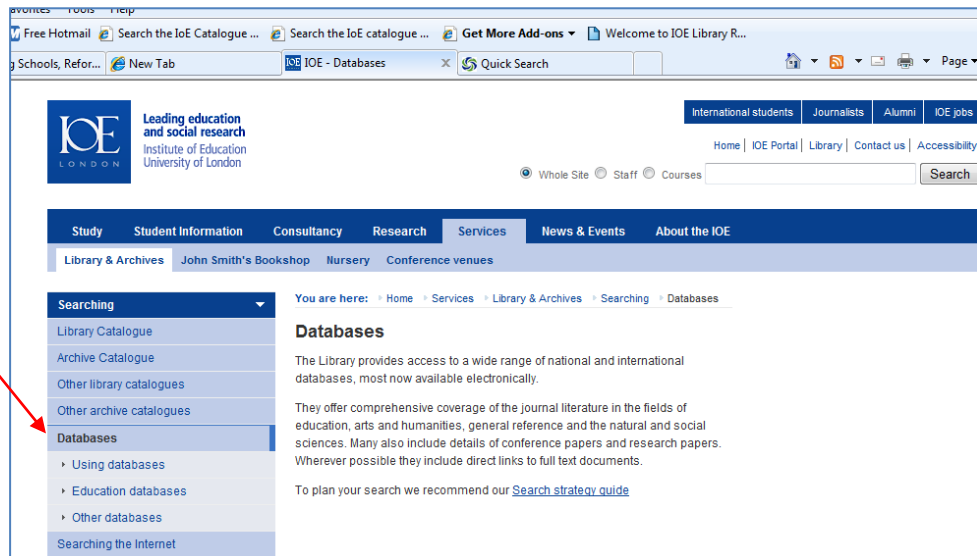
Databases: searching for journal articles

If you do not have a specific journal in mind, you will need to use one of the electronic databases offered by the IOE Library. We subscribe to key databases covering education but also many others which cover a wide range of social sciences and arts and humanities.

You will not always be able to find the full text of articles as this very much depends on which database you are using.

You can find a list of databases available on the Library web pages.

Two of the most useful databases for education are the **British Education Index** and **ERIC**.



Using databases

The IOE Library subscribes to a number of databases which index journal articles. Many of them are specifically on education and related areas of research though others focus on a wider range of disciplines and subject areas.

There are guides on how to use these databases on the [Library's website](#).

IOE Eprints

The [IOE Eprints Repository](#) is a collection of academic papers (mainly journal articles, book chapters and research reports) written by staff at the Institute. These are freely available, subject to copyright.

Further Information and Help

All IOE students can get Reference access to other libraries in the University of London. If the IOE Library does not have a particular journal, try searching the [Union List of Serials](#) for journals in local University of London libraries.

Tip! If you wish to request an article from a journal that the IOE Library does not hold you can use the inter library loan service. For more details, including charges go to [Interlibrary loans](#).

Tip! If you need further assistance, please contact the Library Enquiry Desk lib.enquiries@ioe.ac.uk.