Text a Call Number in IUCAT

IUCAT users can now have call numbers sent to their cell phones via text message. Users do not have to be logged into IUCAT in order to use this feature. When a search is performed in IUCAT for a book, the option for “text a call #” is at the bottom of the page in the Holdings section of the record.

The text will include the title (sometimes only part of the title is displayed depending on length), the call number, location and which IU library the book is held for the particular item chosen.

Users can also receive texts for resources other than books. Even if the resource does not have a call number, users can still text the information to their phones. IUCAT will send text messages for the following carriers:

- A T & T
- Nextel
- Sprint
- T-Mobile
- Verizon Wireless
- Virgin Mobile

If your carrier is not available, please contact Scott Hudnall at schudnall@iun.edu.

The Future of E-books in Academic Libraries

E-books are a hot topic for libraries nowadays. With many e-readers on the market, and various formats for e-books, libraries are having continual discussions on what to do and which format to choose. Library Journal and School Library Journal conducted a survey with 364 academic libraries to learn what they were doing with e-books. According to the November 2010 report, Survey of Ebook Penetration and use in U.S. Academic Libraries, 84% of library users read e-books from personal computer and 70% read e-books from a library computer. Only 12% read e-books from a dedicated e-reader. IU Northwest currently has over 49,000 e-books available that can be viewed through any computer with an internet connection. If off campus, only your IU username and passphrase is needed to access the e-books.

The e-book/e-reader industry is relatively new and constantly changing. There are many questions on how to approach the new era of e-readers in libraries, especially academic libraries. Some academic libraries check out e-readers with pre-selected books loaded on the e-readers. Public libraries are known to do this as well, however, usu-

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IUN Resources and Google Scholar

The IUN link in Google Scholar is now working. You will be able to access the IUN link if you are on the IUN campus. If you are off campus, you must go through the Google Scholar link on the database list page: http://www.iun.edu/~lib/databases/ and log in with your IUN username and passphrase.

One way e-books differ from the traditional print in libraries is ownership. For many of the e-books that IUN currently own, only one user can access the e-book at a time. However, we still have access to the e-book no matter how many times users access the title. With e-readers coming onto the market, publishers have various policies concerning the lending time of e-books for libraries. For example, the publisher, Harper-Collins, will only allow libraries to circulate e-books 26 times before the license expires. When a library buys a print copy of a book, the library owns the book and circulation of the book is unlimited, this is currently not the case with all e-books.

The IU Northwest Library has many e-books in the areas of computer science, philosophy, literature, religion, general reference and more. Rest assured that we are doing research on the matter and welcome any input about what you would like to see for e-books in the future at IUN. Contact the Library Director, Tim Sutherland at sutherla@iun.edu or any other library staff with and suggestions or concerns about ebooks. Due to limitations in formats and issues with digital rights of e-materials, we will continue to investigate the future of e-readers and academic libraries.

Economist Historical Archive 1843-2006

http://www.iun.edu/~lib/databases/

The Economist Historical Archive delivers a complete searchable copy of every issue of The Economist from 1843 to 2006. New full-colour images, multiple search indexes, exportable financial tables and a gallery of front covers highlighting a key topic of each week - all combine to offer a primary source of research covering the 19th and 20th centuries. The Economist Historical Archive complements the Times Digital Archive also available from Gale/Cengage Learning.

The many Supplements, Special Reports and Surveys which appear regularly in The Economist will be particularly useful to students working on projects, teachers seeking to expand their reading lists, and researchers working on company and industry trends and history.

Mark Holland, Publisher. Gale/Cengage Learning


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Please contact the Reference Desk at 219-218-4267 if you have any questions.
The IU Northwest Library benefits greatly from being part of the IU Libraries system of libraries. The Libraries currently share a university wide online catalog (IUCAT – www.iucat.iu.edu). IU Libraries often can subscribe to the same Library databases and groups of online journals, therefore at reduced rates allowing a larger set of resources available within collections budgets. There is a renewed effort to increase the percentage of a set of core online resources that will be accessible at all campuses. The interlibrary loan borrowing of resources is fast because of a courier system within IU that moves items quickly between campuses. IUB Wells Library is one of the largest academic research libraries in the U.S. IUPUI University Library is an impressive metropolitan academic library. Within the eight campus libraries of IU, most published books and journal articles are available via at least one of the IU libraries and therefore can be obtained in print or increasingly online. E-books are proliferating and “discovery” search engines that will search all library content are being developed for implementation.

Tim Sutherland

So...What’s New?


It is my pleasure to serve the students and faculty of Indiana University Northwest. My first priority is to make certain that the research needs of our university community are met. I graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science and continued on to gain my Masters in Library and Information Science from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. I have learned that dedication, passion, and hard work can make your dreams come true. From those students I have been fortunate enough to instruct and meet I have no doubt that these attributes are ingrained in all who choose Indiana University Northwest to follow their dreams.

Meet Scott Sandberg
Indiana University Northwest Library

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IU Northwest Library...Your Question Deserves an Answer

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Director’s Corner

Hopefully in this past academic year you have had the opportunity to make use of Library space on numerous occasions and for a variety of purposes. About 1000 people enter the Library per day and among those about 250 are customers of the Library Café (Mondays through Thursdays during the Spring and Fall semesters). Many individuals and groups utilize Library space. Here is a list of some of the groups that regularly use Library and Library Café space:

- Students in various Group Meetings and Study Groups (1st & 2nd floors)
- Students studying alone (3rd floor Quiet Zone)
- Students needing Library research assistance
- Students needing access to technology and software and the Internet
- Students needing course readings (Reserve readings)
- Student Support Services Office (for testing)
- Supplemental Instruction (for tutoring)
- Classes in 2nd Floor Lab/3rd Floor Instruction rooms
- Faculty and Staff from across the Campus, and from Campus offices located within the Library
- Community patrons

The Library as “place” envisions itself in many ways the center and “heart” of the campus. I hope during this past academic year you have found Library space to be useful for learning, discovery, food/drink, and conversation (or even silence). Visit often “Summer I & II”, and have a wonderful summer season.

Best wishes,
Tim Sutherland
Director of Library Services

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