ILLiad finally brings the process of interlibrary loan through Indiana University Northwest onto the World Wide Web! After creating an account, users can sign in and request books, journal articles, films and any other formats for needed information from anywhere that provides internet and web browser access. Articles delivered electronically can be viewed from a user’s ILLiad account at any time for thirteen days, providing direct access to the article without the need for a special stop to the library or worries about losing a paper copy. The added convenience of electronic delivery allows for the user to print as many copies of the article as needed.

The reach of ILLiad extends to several of our electronic databases. In WorldCAT and EBSCO databases, each record offers links and buttons for ILLiad to send the record’s information to an ILLiad web form for easy submission. This function will be added to our ProQuest and Gale databases in the near future. We hope you find plenty of use for ILLiad in the years to come.

Go to www.iun.edu/~lib/ and click on ILLiad for access.

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New Online Catalog Coming Soon

Indiana University Libraries are soon changing to a new Online Public Access Catalog (OPAC). The new OPAC is an open source product developed by the University of Virginia Library called Blacklight. A few of the features the new catalog will offer are: “faceted browsing, relevance based searching, bookmarkable items, permanent URLs for every item, and user tagging of items. As it is capable of searching both catalog records and digital repository objects, digitized images or repositories become more discoverable for users.” The projected date for the new IUCAT to become live is August 2012. Please look out for correspondence for information.


LibGuides

The IUN library is introducing LibGuides to the IU Northwest library community. LibGuides is a web 2.0 technology that allows librarians to easily upload specialized content for library users. With LibGuides, users will be able to find guides on a subject area that will aid them in finding information for doing research on that topic. Each reference librarian will have a customizable profile that may contain their contact information, instant messaging, videos and other information the librarian would like to share. LibGuides is constantly being updated. Please look periodically for updates. You can visit LibGuides at: libguides.iun.edu
The IU Northwest Library houses a collection of over 250,000 print books, 60,000 eBooks, 250,000 print and electronic periodical volumes and 250,000 government publications. The IU Northwest Library can also access 7 million bound volumes and over 26 million other materials in the Indiana University Libraries’ system. Books and journal articles held by Bloomington, Indianapolis and other regional campuses can be easily obtained for IU Northwest students and faculty through the System Services department.

ProQuest Databases

Library users are now able to search all ProQuest databases with one search. Instead of doing a search in PsycINFO and a separate search in Sociological Abstracts, now you can do one search within both databases at the same time. On the Library Database List webpage, www.iun.edu/~lib/databases/, click ProQuest Databases link. This link will give you access to all of the ProQuest Databases. You can search by specific databases or you select a subject area and search the databases within a particular subject. Please note that you can also search multiple databases with EBSCO. If you need any assistance with searching ProQuest or any of the other databases, please contact the Reference Desk at 219-980-6582 or iunref@iun.edu.

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