A small but significant change took place to the UCC Library website recently with the inclusion of an additional search option under the “UCC Library” banner. This new search option is called ‘Searcher’ and represents local deployment of the technical ability which now exists to search multiple information resources simultaneously. We are all used to seeing Google and other search engines retrieve millions of results from one search term in the blink of an eye. What we now have at our disposal in the Searcher function on the UCC Library home page is the ability to input one search term and send it off to retrieve information from 33 (and growing) of our subscribed e-resources, including the UCC Library catalogue. This is an excellent means of initiating a search where you may not be sure as to where your results may be found: or of carrying out a broad trawl of multiple heterogeneous sources including newspapers, books, journal articles, abstracts and indexes. It is a fast way of performing a single term search across a vast proportion of our electronic resources - and our print resources through the catalogue. Once a search is done, you can click through to the specific title to access the article, book or other resource. You can easily refine your search with more search terms; sort your results; drill down from the list on the left sidebar; and print, download or email citations. You can create an account for yourself and set up email alerts and build your own search engine of selected resources. If you require any further information, please contact your Subject Librarian or e-mail Anita Wilcox, e-Resources Librarian, at a.wilcox@ucc.ie.

Mobile Access to UCC Library Catalogue Now Available with Library Anywhere App

The UCC Library has joined the smartphone revolution. Search, discover, and interact with our library collections - anywhere you are, right away. Our Library in your pocket.

With Library Anywhere, you can browse the online catalogue easily on your iPhone or Android device. Key features include:

- Search the catalogue, place holds, and renew items. It does everything the catalogue does;
- Check My Library Account to renew books, check on hold, review your lists;
- You can save records to your phone to access later (take your phone to the Library shelf);
- Works on any phone with a web-browsing feature;
- Geo-location finds your nearest library easily;
- Scan a barcode function lets you check out if UCC Library owns a book you have found in a bookstore, etc. It even shows you different editions if available.

You can download this app at iTunes or via the Android market place for FREE - use the links below:

iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch at http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/library anywhere/id597718881 or go to iTunes and search for “Library Anywhere”


- Download and install the app
- Load the app and search for “UCC Library” to make it your default search page - you can browse the list or find the Library nearest you
- Start searching!

We would love to hear comments, feedback etc. Please email library@ucc.ie.
NEW COSMIC SEARCH FUNCTION NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE UCC LIBRARY

The Library is pleased to introduce a new cross database search tool called Searcher. It is available from the Library homepage at http://boolweb.ucc.ie at the Searcher tab in the left side (next to the Catalogue search). This search box allows a keyword search in real time across 32 multidisciplinary databases/e-resources including the Library Catalogue. It is also available directly from here http://ucc.deepwebaccess.com/ucc/search.html. More subject specific clusters of databases will be added in the next few weeks.

Features:
• Incremental results display allows users to browse through immediate results while a more thorough search continues in the background
• Intelligent ranking system clusters results based on relevance to encourage deeper investigation
• Advanced search and filtering options to further specify the search query
• Results can be sorted and more search terms added to refine search
• A “Did You Mean?” spell checking function
• Easy to download, print or email citations
• Easy to set up search alerts
• Easy to build department or subject-specific search boxes to aid users in their research
• Works with existing deep linking service to give seamless access to full text where available

Benefits:
• Save time performing research by eliminating the tedious effort required to search multiple sources manually
• Improve research efforts by finding documents you might not find otherwise
• Gain better utilization of paid content
• Discover new sources by providing results from sources previously unfamiliar to you

We hope you will be as excited about this new development as we are and we welcome feedback, comments, etc.

China Exchange Programme

AS PART of a professional exchange programme between Hangzhou Public Library and UCC Library, we were very pleased to welcome two librarians from Hangzhou in December of last year. Liu Yan Librarian, Information Group of Special Subject Literature Centre and Liu Li Dong Associate Professor of Library Science and Vice Director of General Fair Office, spent four weeks in all based here in Cork, and during this time they learned about UCC's library structures and operations, in addition to visiting other libraries and institutions in Dublin and Cork to gain an insight into the national library scene. The return trip will be made by UCC Librarians, Cathal Kerrigan and Martin O'Connor, who will spend a similar amount of time in China in April, based in Hangzhou, and working at the Hangzhou Public Library, one of China's largest and most advanced libraries. The aim of the exchange is to foster an appreciation of both cultures and specifically, from UCC's perspective, to equip Library staff here at Cork to enhance library services both to Chinese students studying at UCC, and for UCC students travelling to China. UCC already manages book exchange programmes with other Chinese Libraries and maintains contact with some of the Libraries of the Chinese Universities with whom we manage cooperative agreements, such as Shanghai University. Costs of this initiative are kept to a minimum by ensuring that each host organisation arranges the accommodation and in-country needs of the visitors. The Library is very appreciative of the support of the UCC Confucius Institute and Professor Fan Hong and her staff in facilitating its important cooperative work with Chinese libraries.
PROPOSING MATERIAL FOR THE LIBRARY COLLECTIONS – E-PROPOSAL FACILITY

On the front web page select Academic Staff in the left hand column. The next page features the link to the e-proposal forms under Library Support – Library collections.

There are 2 proposal forms – 1 for Library Representatives and 1 for all other academic staff.

The Library Representative is responsible for coordinating the book and serial acquisition for their department or school. When an academic completes and submits the form it is sent to the Library Representative of their department or school - in the same way that a paper form would be sent to the Library Representative for authorisation. The Library Representative then forwards the form to the Acquisitions Section in the Library for purchase.

If you would like further information or clarification on Monographs please contact Olive Rooney, Head of Monograph Acquisitions at tel. ext. 2984 or o.rooney@ucc.ie

If you would like further information or clarification on Serials please contact Rose Buttimmer, Head of Serial Acquisitions at tel. ext.2085 or r.buttimmer@ucc.ie

OPEN ACCESS WEEK QUIZ

Open Access Week is a global event run annually which aims to promote Open Access as a new norm in scholarship and research. Open Access (OA) to research aims to provide free, online and unrestricted access to scholarly research. This can be achieved by publishing in open access journals or by archiving copies of research papers in open access repositories such as CORA, the UCC institutional repository http://cora.ucc.ie

In order to raise awareness about Open Access, UCC Library and CORA ran a quiz via e-mail with 5 daily questions on open access topics during Open Access Week 2011. Hayfield Manor generously sponsored the prize of 1 night’s Bed & Breakfast at the 5-Star Hayfield Manor Hotel http://www.hayfieldmanor.ie. The delighted winner of the Open Access Week Quiz, Julien Cretel of the Hydraulics and Maritime Research Centre, was recently presented with his prize by Mark Scally of Hayfield Manor. Julien Cretel is currently undertaking research in wave energy as part of his PhD research.

Mark Scally, Hayfield Manor, Julien Cretel, HMRC and Breeda Herlihy IR Manager, UCC Library
Helen Davis

On Saturday 4th February our friend and long time colleague Helen Davis passed away. For many years Special Collections Librarian, she will be warmly remembered by all who used our service, or worked in Q-1. Helen was, in a word, unique; her vibrancy, sense of humour and love of scholarship coloured her years in the Boole.

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