



The Library in Your Office

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Library staff complete Graduate Certificate in Higher Education

In March this year Vicki Bourbous completed the Graduate Certificate in Higher Education, studying online through Australian Catholic University.

Vicki (pictured right receiving her certificate) is a Liaison Librarian from the Strathfield campus. She was the first Library staff member to complete the course. "I feel it has helped me gain an insight into the theoretical issues impacting on higher education, including an understanding of the trends in learning and teaching", Vicki says. "These include an awareness of formative and summative assessment, the concept of constructive alignment, student-



centred learning and an understanding of learning style and the use of technological tools in an online mode for delivering information and imparting knowledge."

At the end of semester one 2009 Barbara

Adamson from the Brisbane campus also completed the course. She will graduate in 2010. Barbara became interested in the course when she went on a secondment to the University of Queensland Library in 2006-2007 and noticed how many other librarians were doing the course there. "Completing the course has helped immeasurably in my role as a Liaison Librarian", says Barbara. "The most important insight gained was in understanding the learning and research philosophies being espoused by ACU."

Two more Library staff are enrolled in the Graduate Certificate course.

Journal Impact Factors

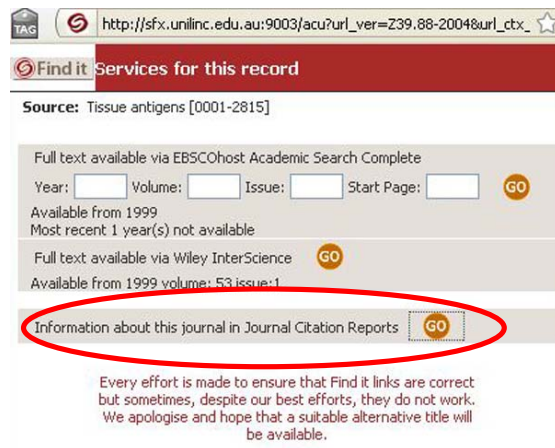
If you are browsing the Library's eJournal list or searching the databases you may come across a new feature we have added to the Findit (SFX) menu.

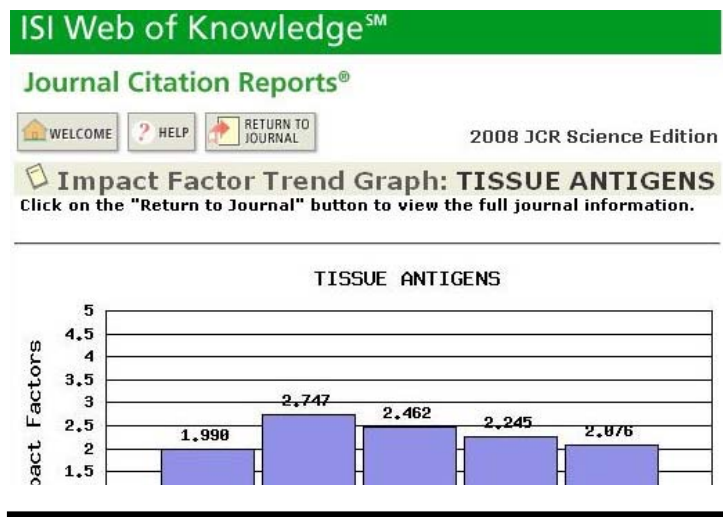
Journals listed in **Journal Citation Reports (JCR) database** now have an option to link to information about the journal's **impact factor** in JCR.

A journal's impact factor helps determine its relative importance compared to other journals in the same field.

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Year	Impact Factor
Year 1	1.998
Year 2	2.747
Year 3	2.462
Year 4	2.245
Year 5	2.876

PC Booking System in Campus Libraries

After a trial at the Brisbane campus IT has purchased the MyPC booking system for all campus libraries.

Access to computers is regularly listed as a concern in library surveys. Students frequently say there are not enough computers available or that they are used for non academic purposes.

MyPC will allow us to allocate students a certain amount of computer access time each day. Students will be able to secure a PC at a specific time and place in the Library that suits them. They can even make the booking from home!

Academic staff wanting to use a Library PC will also need to make a booking.

It is hoped these changes will make for more equitable use of the Library's PC resources.

The new booking system will initially be rolled out in Brisbane. It is hoped that it will be implemented across all campuses ready for semester one 2010.

Copyright Database & Blackboard

In the July issue of TLIYO the Director, Libraries reported that the Library will be closing the Electronic Reserve (eReserve) service previously provided to facilitate access to unit outlines, online readings, lecture notes, handouts and other course related material. Due to the increased use of Blackboard to house this

material, eReserve will no longer be available after semester two, 2009. This does not, however, change the requirements for making copyright material available to students.

The Library will continue to maintain the Copyright database and all copyright material must be added to it before being made

available online. If you want to scan readings and make them available to students via Blackboard, or any other online forum, contact your campus library for assistance.

Campus library staff can also help you create durable links to readings in the Library's growing collection of eBooks and eJournals.

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JSTOR – cheap at half the price!

JSTOR is a not for profit organisation dedicated to “preserving a record of scholarship for posterity”. Since 1997 JSTOR has worked to convert print journals into electronic format and store them in a central archive.

At the end of 2008 there were over 5,000 libraries participating in JSTOR from 140 countries. The archive itself consists of over 1,100 journals from

500 different publishers. JSTOR works to ensure that the contents of these journals will be available to future generations of students and scholars.

ACU participates in JSTOR by subscribing to its Arts & Sciences Collections.

In 2008 ACU staff and students accessed the scholarly resources from JSTOR 164,782 times.

This equates to a mere 8c per access.

If you are from the Arts & Humanities and you haven't yet looked at JSTOR you can do so by going to the Library web site – <http://acu.edu.au/library> and clicking on the **Databases and eJournals** link, then **J** for JSTOR in the A-Z list.

New World Religion Database from Brill

The Library recently purchased the World Religion Database from Brill. It provides statistical information, taken from censuses and survey data, about religious affiliation in 239 countries.

The database even provides predictions for the future and identifies the fastest growing religions throughout the world.

You can access this database via the Library web site – <http://www.acu.edu.au/library>, go to **Databases and eJournals** and click on W in the A-Z list.

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About TLIYO

You can find back copies of the newsletter on the Library web site – <http://www.acu.edu.au/library> then go to **Teaching & Research**.

If you have anything to contribute or you would like to suggest a topic contact Leticia Medwell (leticia.medwell@acu.edu.au).

Changes to Interlibrary Loan Requests

Intercampus Loans and **Interlibrary Loans*** are both now requested via the catalogue (*[conditions apply](#)).

Intercampus Loans

When you search the catalogue always check to see whether the item you want is available from another ACU library. If it is available:

- Click on the **Location** (campus name).
- Click on **Request**.
- You will need to log in using your **ID/barcode number** (the barcode number from your staff ID card) and **PIN** (contact your campus library if you don't know your PIN).
- Fill in details as accurately as possible.
- Click on **Go** to submit your request.

Interlibrary Loans

Search the catalogue as usual but if you don't find what you are looking for click on the **Interlibrary Loan Request** link on the search results page:

- You will need to log in using your **ID/barcode number** and **PIN** (as for Intercampus Loans).
- There are options to request a book or journal article.
- Fill in details as accurately as possible.
- Click on **Go** to submit your request.

If you want to cancel an Interlibrary loan request use the form available at http://www.acu.edu.au/library/find_out/services_and_facilities/lending/

If you have any queries about **Intercampus loans** or **Interlibrary loans** contact your campus library.