Finding journals in the Library & beyond

Introduction to SOAS Library

Journals are located in several places in the Library:

Frequently used journals
Lesser used journals
Older or discontinued journals
Level E
Level F
stored offsite

Check the Location list for exact locations of any specific titles (see below for more details).

How do I find journals in print?

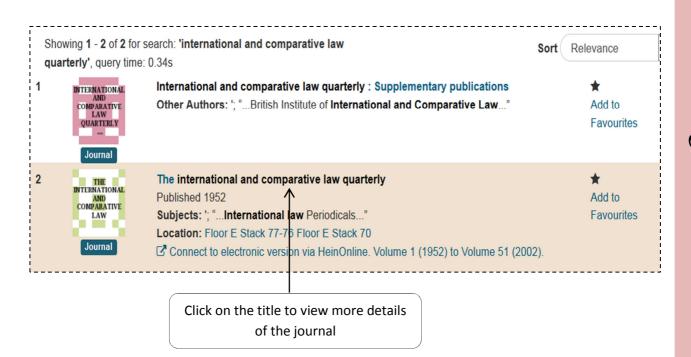
For more details see the "Searching the online catalogue" guide available at www.soas.ac.uk/library/using/finding

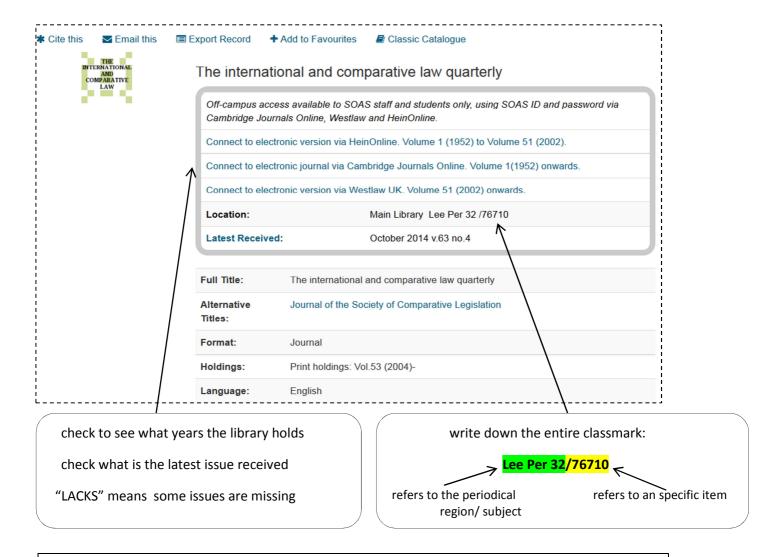
Generally, to find the journal go to the Library Catalogue at http://lib.soas.ac.uk/

Note:

- You cannot search the library catalogue for individual articles, only journal titles
- If you have a reference to the article (e.g. 53 ICLQ 713), try using the Cardiff Index to Legal Abbreviations (http://www.legalabbrevs.cardiff.ac.uk/) to find out the full title of the journal [only contains abbreviations of legal journals]

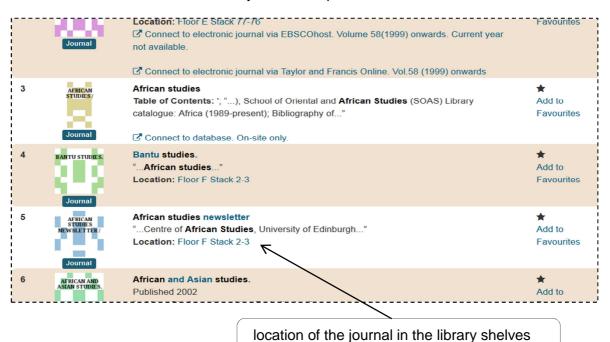






How do I find the journal on the shelves?

Each catalogue entry for print journals will have the floor and stack number to locate the journal in the library. If you are not sure where the journal is use the location list. The library <u>location list</u> will display which floor level and stack numbers you will find particular classmarks.



What if the journal is not on the shelves?

If the journal is not available in print or online at SOAS – try to find the material elsewhere using the **Search other Library Catalogues** (http://www.soas.ac.uk/library/using/others/)

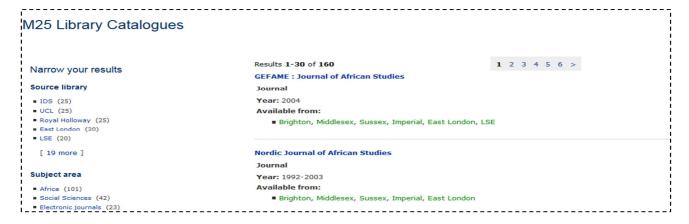
Note:

- Postgraduate students can apply for borrowing membership at Senate House and several other institutions in London, including the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (IALS)
- Undergraduates can apply for borrowing membership at Senate House and reference only access to most other institutions
- Journals are not available to be borrowed at any institution although can be viewed within the library or copies made (following copyright restrictions)

How to find journals within a London Library?

To find the journal in a London library go to InforM25 (http://www.search25.ac.uk/)

- Step 1: Enter your search terms
- Step 2: Choose the result
- Step 3: Select catalogues by location

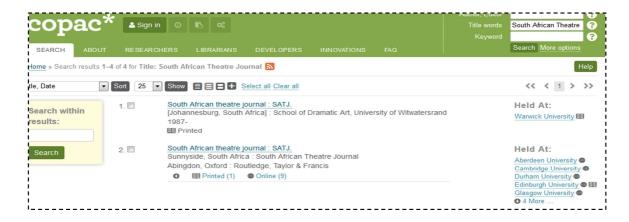


How do I find journals in other Libraries in the UK?

To find the journal in a Library outside London go to COPAC (http://copac.ac.uk/)

Tip! COPAC searches some of the largest research libraries and in the UK and Ireland (i.e. Oxford, Cambridge, British Library etc.)

- Step 1: Enter you search terms
- Step 2: Select items from the list
- Step 3: Search result



How do I find journals in libraries Worldwide?

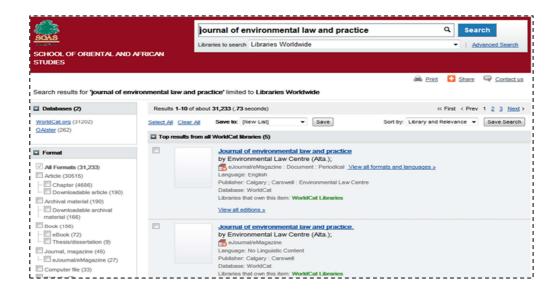
To find the journal in a library worldwide go to WorldCat (http://soas.worldcat.org/)

Tip! WorldCat searches the catalogue of hundreds of Libraries around the world

Step 1: Type in your search terms

Step 2: Select item from list

Step 3: Select "Worldwide libraries own this item" to see which libraries hold a copy.



What if I still can't find it?

- Ask the Enquiry Desk
 - ➤ In person on Level E (open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday)
 - > Call 020 7898 4163/4141
 - > Email: libenquiry@soas.ac.uk
- Contact your Subject Librarian
 - > See the Contact Us area on the website for details

http://www.soas.ac.uk/library/contact/