

The Library upgrades its public computing facilities

We are pleased to announce that public workstations located in Senate House Library have been completely upgraded during the summer months.



Digital Resources Centre

50 workstations have been installed to create a Digital Resources Centre on the 4th floor in the Middlesex North reading room and the Periodicals reading room. These resources are available to all members and users of Senate House Library and to Institute staff and students of the School of Advanced Study. Workstations are also located in the Special Collections reading room. This development was made possible by the award of a grant from the Vice-Chancellor's Development Fund.

All of these workstations will provide access to:

- Library webpages, catalogues and databases provided by the libraries of the University of London Research Library Services (ULRLS)
- A choice of Internet browsers (Internet Explorer 7 or Mozilla Firefox)
- Networked information resources on CD
- An extensive range of multimedia software catering for audio, video and DVD (each workstation is equipped with headphones)
- Initiation of self-service printing requests (to be printed off by the user at any dual purpose networked copier/printer in the Library)
- Microsoft Office 2007 software
- Bibliographic Management software

You can use a variety of removable media to manage your documents and data such as data CD/DVD, memory sticks etc. The desktops provide USB and firewire ports.

Catalogue access and web kiosks

In addition, all public catalogue workstations have been replaced with new equipment. There are 23 workstations located throughout the open access areas of Senate House Library, acting in effect as 'web kiosks' linking to ULRLS library catalogues and webpages, the Internet and self-service printing.



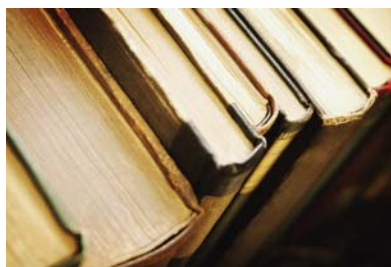
Laptop usage

We also provide Internet connectivity for users requiring a web connection from their own personal laptop computers. There are specific locations where library users can plug in their laptops. These are signposted in the Library.

Stand-alone usage is also accessible wherever usable power sources are located in public areas, unless the area has been designated a quiet study area.

Your comments

We welcome your comments on these facilities at any time. If you have a comment to make, please complete a form at the Circulation Desk, 4th floor. Alternatively you can email us: [✉ shl.userservices@london.ac.uk](mailto:shl.userservices@london.ac.uk)



Refurbishment news

If you have visited the Library recently, you will have noticed a lot of changes. The second phase of the re-wiring and refurbishment of library space is now underway.

As well as the entrance being re-located to the north side of Senate House, some of the collections and service points have been moved to allow for the refurbishment. The Special Collections Reading Room service, with the open access Palaeography and Book Studies collections, has transferred to the Small Hall, ground floor, North Block, Senate House.

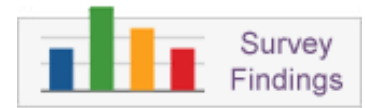
The following table shows the collections affected:

| Collection | Moved from | Moved to |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| Art | 6th floor | Middlesex North Reading Room, 4th floor |
| Australian Studies books | Middlesex North Reading Room, 4th floor | Stack - closed access |
| Book Studies | Exhibition Hall, 4th floor | Small Hall, ground floor, North Block |
| Geography | 6th floor | Books – Circulation Desk area (ex-Palaeography Reading Room), 4th floor and Stack – closed access Periodicals – Stack – closed access |
| Government Publications | 6 th floor | Depository – Stack – closed access * |
| History | 6th floor, south | Books – 6th floor, centre and north Periodicals – Upper Library, 3rd floor, North Block |
| Law | Middlesex North Reading Room, 4th floor | Books – 6th floor, north Periodicals – Upper Library, 3rd floor, North Block |
| Music | Music Library, 5th floor | PS Stack (collected works only) and 5th floor centre (all other items), 5th floor |
| Palaeography | Special Collections Reading Room, 4th floor | Small Hall, ground floor, North Block |
| Periodicals | PS Stack, 5th floor History, 6th floor Law, Middlesex North Reading Room, 4th floor Philosophy, 6th floor | Upper Library, 3rd floor, North Block The most recent issues of periodicals will remain in the Periodicals Room, as at present |
| Philosophy | 6th floor, centre and north | Books – 6th floor, north Periodicals – Upper Library, 3rd floor, North Block |
| Psychology | 6th floor, centre and north | Books and Periodicals – 6th floor, north |
| Social Sciences | 6th floor, south | 6th floor, centre and north |
| US Studies | 5th floor and Middlesex North Reading Room gallery | PS Stack, 5th floor |

If you have any queries regarding collection locations, please ask staff at the Information Desk, 4th floor either in person, by email shl.enquiries@london.ac.uk or by telephone 020 7862 8461 or 8462

* See column on page 4 of the newsletter for further information about access to 19th- and 20th-Century Parliamentary Papers in alternative formats

2007 survey results



The results of the Library survey are now available. You can find the full report, as well as a brief summary of the findings on our website at: www.shl.lon.ac.uk/news/survey.shtml

Again, we would like to thank everyone who took the time to complete the survey. We received 1606 responses.

Congratulations to our prize winners, who were:

- 1st prize – 4GB i-pod nano – PhD student at Royal Holloway
- 2nd prize – portable DVD player – member of academic staff at UCL
- 3rd prize – 1GB USB stick - MA student at Goldsmiths



Automated fetching of theses and books from closed access

You can now use the 'request' button on the catalogue record of a book or thesis to order items directly from the closed access stack, instead of completing a request card at the Circulation Desk. If an item cannot be requested in this way, please email your request and your library card number to: shl.userservices@london.ac.uk.

Please continue to complete a request card for periodicals and older government publications held in the Stack.



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Recycling plastic bags ... and the new SHL calico bag



Need something to carry your books home in?

You can now choose whether to purchase one of our new long-handled Senate House Library calico bags, or help yourself to a used plastic bag when borrowing books.


We have purchased two bag holders (one is by the Circulation Desk, the other by the Returns Desk), so that you can help yourselves to plastic bags, and deposit old ones for re-use.

If you have any plastic bags which are surplus to requirements, please do pop them into one of the bag holders so that they can be re-used.




Self-issue and return comes to Senate House

In September 2007 Senate House Library installed its first self-issue and returns machines. The aim is to improve customer service by reducing the time users will spend queuing to borrow or return books. The new machines are located in the foyer on the 4th floor and are very easy to use with touch screen panels and clear, pictorial instructions. Help is on hand for anyone who needs support in using them for the first time and we would welcome any feedback you have on using the new machines.

If you have a comment to make, please complete a form at the Circulation Desk, 4th floor or email us  shl.userservices@london.ac.uk

British Government Publications

Due to the rewiring of the Library, the British Government Publications collection has been relocated to the Depository Library.

All the nineteenth-century parliamentary papers are still available in full text online and the twentieth-century parliamentary papers are available on microfiche at Senate House. If you wish to use material from this collection, please email the Information Centre in advance of your visit  shl.enquiries@london.ac.uk

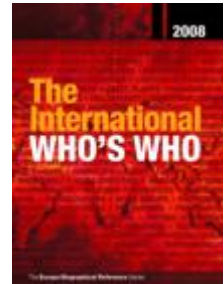
Recent acquisitions

Some of our significant recent acquisitions in the **print collections** include:



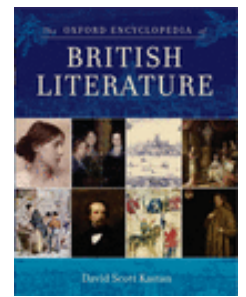
The latest editions of this title, providing biographical details for over 20,000 of the world's most prominent and influential personalities:

- [International who's who 2007](#) and [2008](#)
London: Europa, 2007 and 2008



A new reference work covering British literature from the seventh century to the present day in five hundred essays:

- David Scott Kastan, ed., [The Oxford encyclopedia of British literature](#)
Oxford; New York: Oxford University Press, 2006

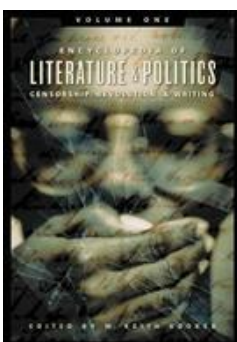
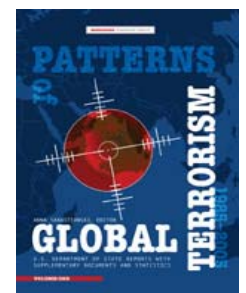


A four volume work including entries on the lives and works of thinkers, major historical surveys of the core philosophical topics and entries on themes, movements, institutions and theories:

- Anthony Grayling et al, [Continuum encyclopedia of British philosophy](#)
London: Thoemmes Continuum, 2006

A two-volume set, providing historical data on worldwide terrorism:

- Anna Sabasteanski, ed., [Patterns of global terrorism 1985-2005: US Department of State reports with supplementary documents](#)
Great Barrington, Mass.: Berkshire Publishing Group, c2005

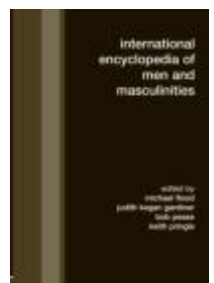


The first work of its kind, an encyclopedia that explores the relationship between literature and politics:

- M. Keith Booker, ed., [Encyclopedia of literature and politics: censorship, revolution and writing](#)
Westport, Conn.; London: Greenwood Press, c2005

A guide to the current state of research about men, masculinities and gender around the world:

- Michael Flood et al, ed., [International encyclopedia of men and masculinities](#)
London: Routledge, 2007



An encyclopedia which details the major sacred festivals of the world's religions and ancient civilizations, as well as celebrations of tribal cultures:

- Christian Roy, [Traditional festivals: a multicultural encyclopedia](#)
Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO, c2005



New additions to the **DVD collection** include:



- Alfonso Cuarón, [Children of men](#)
- Vincent Dieutre, [Mon voyage d'hiver](#)
- Walter Ruttmann, [Berlin, symphony of a great city](#)
- Guillermo del Toro, [Pan's labyrinth](#)

Recent significant additions to the Special Collections include:

A complete colour facsimile edition of an original manuscript written in the third-quarter of the ninth century in north-eastern France. This is considered a bibliophile rarity due to its extremely small size:

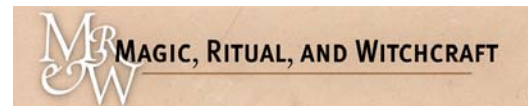
- [Psalterium Sancti Ruperti: Salzburg, Stiftsbibliothek St. Peter, Cod. a 10](#)
Graz: Akademische Druck- und Verlagsanstalt, 2007. Series: Codices selecti; vol.112

A new addition to the Sterling Library, an anthology of Owen's work, emphasising his links with Wales:

- Wilfred Owen, [Mapping Golgotha](#)
Newtown, Powys: Gwasg Gregynog, 2007

A new periodical addition to the Harry Price Library of Magical Literature:

- [Magic, Ritual and Witchcraft](#)
Philadelphia: University of Pennsylvania Press, 2006-
Vol. 1, No. 1 (Summer 2006) –



Amongst new acquisitions received to the **archival and manuscript collections** is:

- Literary and historical manuscripts: William Cobbett scrapbook, 1831-1832, and minutes of the Liverpool Branch of the Association of All Classes of All Nations, 1837-1839 (MS 1079); First World War anti-conscription pamphlets (MS 1152)

The Library has recently subscribed to the following **electronic resources**:

A digital programme designed for the teaching of Latin palaeography and codicology. It is based on 66 high resolution facsimiles of manuscripts from the period 150-1500 CE and includes a 15-session course:

- Bernard James Muir, [Ductus: an online course in paleography](#) [CD-Rom]
Parkville, Australia: Bernard J. Muir, c2002-2007

A database of medieval Latin abbreviations designed for use in both the learning and teaching of medieval Latin palaeography:

- Olaf Pluta, [Abbreviationes: medieval abbreviations made easy \[CD-Rom\]. A database of medieval Latin abbreviations](#)
Bochum, Germany: Dr. Olaf Pluta. c1993-2007



Discover databases

World Shakespeare Bibliography Online

This database is an important research tool, published for the Shakespeare Quarterly by The Johns Hopkins University Press in association with The Folger Shakespeare Library.

What is in the database?

Information about Shakespeare-related scholarship and theatrical productions published or produced worldwide between 1962 and 2007. It provides annotated entries to books, articles, book reviews and dissertations. Records typically include notes and a summary of the work described. Some records also list a selection of reviews.

What types of documents are indexed?

Theatrical productions, reviews of productions, audiovisual materials, electronic media, and other scholarly and popular materials related to Shakespeare. The scope is international, with coverage extending to over 100 languages and representing every country in North America, South America, and Europe and nearly every country in Asia, Africa, and Australasia. The more than 113,103 records in this version cite several hundred thousand additional reviews of books, productions, films, and audio recordings.

How can I use this database?

You can use the search screens to check references or to do speculative searches. There are also options to browse groups of records by these specific categories:

- General Shakespeareana (such as Festschriften, bibliographies, biographies, reference works, textual studies, language, linguistics, stage history)
- Play groups and poems (apocrypha, comedies, histories, romances, tragedies, poems)
- Individual works (the plays)

You can save records to email, print or export to EndNote.

There is a Search help page within the database.

How often is the database updated with new information?

The World Shakespeare Bibliography Online is updated at regular intervals. Once you are in the database, the date of the last update can be found on the 'Introduction' page.

How can I get access to this database?

You can find the link to this database on the Databases page:

www.urls.lon.ac.uk/resources/databaseloc.asp?loc=shl and the Research Tools for English page www.ull.ac.uk/subjects/guides/englishtools.shtml

If you are an authorised user, you can use the database from home (you will be asked for your name and library card number to log in). To check if you are an authorised user, use the drop down menu at www.urls.lon.ac.uk/resources/databaseauth.asp

Any questions or comments?

If you require further assistance, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. You can contact the Information Desk:

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or the English Librarian, Alun Ford:

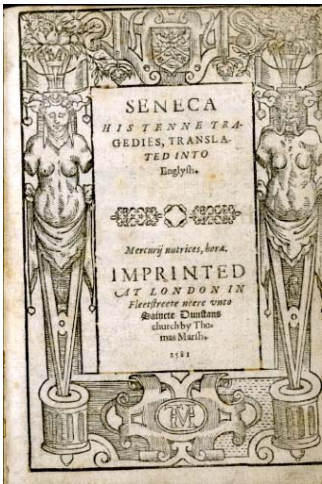
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... look out for the database highlight in the January issue of the newsletter, where we will tell you about another great resource for the study of Shakespeare - the Shakespeare Collection.

Special Collections Focus

- the sixteenth-century British book at Senate House Library

On 28 June 2007, a group of academics and librarians on a programme supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities, an independent grant-making agency of the United States government dedicated to supporting research, education, preservation, and public programmes in the humanities, visited Senate House Library as part of a European trip to see and hear about Renaissance books. The Library contributed to the programme by exhibiting and talking about sixteenth-century British books from some of the special collections, showing the range of such material present in a relatively modern university library, how we acquired it, and how it fitted into the collecting patterns of its previous owners.



Electronic cataloguing projects over the past decade enabled us to form an invaluable overview of British sixteenth-century books and to think more closely about books other than icons such the oft displayed *Discoverie of Witchcraft* by Reginald Scot (1584).

Sixteenth-century books

have been in the University Library since its inception in 1871, with the receipt of the library of the mathematician Augustus De Morgan (1806-1871): De Morgan's collection of approximately 3,500 items on mathematics and its history included 275 sixteenth-century books. The bulk of several subject-based named special collections made them the inevitable major sources of such material. Of the other collectors featured, Herbert Somerton Foxwell, founder of the Goldsmiths' Library of Economic Literature, owned 284 sixteenth-century books of a total collection of approximately 30,000; Sir Edwin Durning-Lawrence, creator of the Durning-Lawrence Library, possessed 204, in a collection of about 5,750 titles; Harry Price, progenitor of the Harry Price Library of Magical Literature, numbered 50 sixteenth-century imprints among his 14,000-item strong collection; while Sir

Louis Sterling's library of 4,200 first and fine editions, chiefly of English literature, boasted 48 titles.

Most books shown demonstrated their collector's interests: mathematical books from the De Morgan Library (including two by Robert Record, England's most influential sixteenth-century mathematician); magical ones from Harry Price



(including Lavater's *Of Ghostes and Spirites* (1572), one of the earliest works about ghosts); economics books from the Goldsmiths' Library of Economic Literature; musical books from the Littleton Collection (a group of twenty rare and valuable books purchased by the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust at the Littleton sale at Sotheby's in 1918 and given to the University in 1932). The Durning-Lawrence books displayed were a slight exception. Durning-Lawrence's motivation for collecting had been to demonstrate Bacon as the author of Shakespeare. The items displayed were, rather, canonical Shakespearean sources (for example, Timothie Bright's *Anatomy of Melancholie* (1586), which influenced *Hamlet*; Seneca's *Tenne Tragedies* (1581), used for the Roman plays). Several of the eight high spots of English sixteenth-century publishing from the Sterling Library were not English literature: eg *Catho cum Commento* (1512), a Latin schoolbook emanating from the house of the prolific and well-known printer Wynkyn de Worde (successor to Caxton's business); More's *Supplycacyon of Soulys* (1529) and Erasmus's *Praise of Folie* (1549); and Sir Walter Raleigh's popular piece of travel writing *Discoverie of the Large, Rich and Bewtiful Empyre of Guiana* (1596).

Our American guests were appreciative of the riches laid out. For us they demonstrated the privilege of making available some of our lesser-known treasures.



Senate House Library Friends events

The new academic year brings a fresh series of events from the Friends of the Library for 2007-2008.

Forthcoming events include book club meetings, a behind-the-scenes visit to Senate House Library, and visits elsewhere, including to:

- the Reform Club
- the Bishopsgate Institute Library
- the Grant Museum of Zoology and Comparative Anatomy

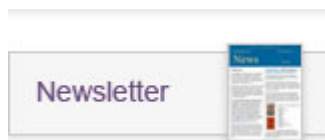
One of the highlights of this year's calendar is a screening of the archival film of the building of Senate House, with a talk by the well-known architect and broadcaster, Maxwell Hutchinson, on Thursday 15 November 2007.

For further information on Friends events, see the online events list:

www.shl.lon.ac.uk/friends/friendsevents.shtml

or contact the Office Administrator, Library Office, Senate House Library, University of London, Senate House, Malet Street, London WC1E 7HU

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