Library Research Assistance – Book an appointment with a librarian

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Where to start your research


Using Concordia Library Spaces

Webster Library has dedicated graduate student space on the 5th floor of LB in the dissertation writer’s rooms, lounge and kitchen. Use your student ID to access the space. Lockers in the grad spaces are available at the Webster Loans Desk on a first come, first served basis. The Grey Nuns Reading Room (1290 Guy St.) is a library building and has quiet study. It is accessible to Concordia students only, with student ID cards.

Borrowing books and other materials from Concordia Library

- Grad students can borrow up 100 items at a time (books and media), with your student ID card
- Books can be borrowed for 120 days, but are subject to recalls
- Students can place on print books using the request button in the Library Catalogue  
  ![Request](image)
- Students can request articles from print journals or chapters from print books be scanned and emailed to them, from Concordia Library’s collections, via Article Delivery
- Students can borrow laptops for 1 day from the Loans/Circulation desk

Borrowing books and accessing journal articles from Other Libraries

- **BCI Card**: Go to the Loans/Circulation desk at Concordia with your student ID and request a BCI card, which allows you to borrow books, in person, from other libraries: McGill, UQAM, UdeM, etc.
- Login to **COLOMBO** on the library website to request print books and e-journal articles from other libraries using interlibrary loans

GradPro Skills Library Workshops – Taught by Librarians:

- **GPLL20**: Graduate School Base Camp (full day): Sept 17, 2019
- **GPLL 231**: Library skills & resources: Maximize your grad research potential – Sept 13, 2019 OR Nov 14, 2019
- **GPLL245**: Researching Indigenous topics at the Library (M. Lake) – Sept 24, 2019
- **GPLL 243**: Using Zotero for Grads – Sept 24, 2019 OR Oct 29, 2019
- **GPLL 235**: Canadian statistics and microdata for the Social Sciences (A. Guindon) – Sept 25, 2019
- **GPLL246**: Using and sharing Open Access content: Creative Commons licenses – Sept 26, 2019
- **GPLL 241**: Copyright and your thesis – Oct 24, 2019
- **GPLL237**: Introduction to web archiving with Webrecorder – Oct 1, 2019
- **GPLL 240**: Mapping Montreal open data with ArcGIS online – Nov 5, 2019
Journal Article Databases – Recommendations, all available on the Political Science Guide

- **Political Science Complete** - full-text article database with excellent journal coverage in political science and useful subject thesaurus with over 17,000 poli sci terms that you can add to your searches.

- **International Political Science Abstracts** (IPSA) - full-text and citation database with good international coverage.

- **HeinOnline Law Journal Library** – an article database of law school journals with peer reviewed content. Contains Canadian, American and some international law secondary sources.

- **ProQuest Combined Canadian** – an article database for Canadian politics and government, Canadian public policy and public administration, and Quebec politics; use peer reviewed limiting options to eliminate newspapers from your search results.

- **JSTOR** - a full-text archive of multidisciplinary journals, great for searching in Classical political theory and philosophy, Hellenistic, Roman, Medieval political philosophy and history.