

eLibrary Gateway: Accessing Subject Resources

Introduction: What is the eLibrary Gateway?

The eLibrary Gateway is a single interface via which all members of The University of Nottingham can access electronic resources relevant to their subjects. These resources include:

- major bibliographic databases used to locate journal articles
- library catalogues
- internet gateways
- collections of electronic journals and electronic books

The gateway enables you to search several databases simultaneously, linking directly through to the full text of articles where available, or to the Nottingham University Library holdings of journals and texts.

You can personalise the settings on the gateway, create lists of your favourite databases and e-journals and retain collections of retrieved references.

Where do I access the eLibrary Gateway?

Go directly to www.nottingham.ac.uk/elibrarygateway or use the Intranet Portal my.nottingham.ac.uk select the **Library** tab and launch **eLibrary Gateway**.

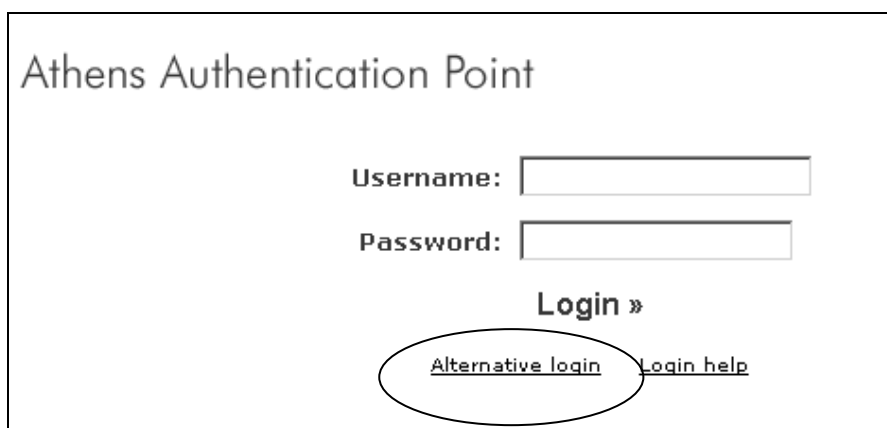
What do I need to access the eLibrary Gateway?

You need the username and password that you use to log in to any campus-based computer. You should use this to login to the eLibrary Gateway.



The screenshot shows the eLibrary Gateway login interface. At the top, it says 'The University of Nottingham' and 'eLibrary Gateway'. Below this is a welcome message: 'Welcome to Nottingham's eLibrary Gateway - your gateway to electronic information sources including bibliographic databases, electronic journals and subject gateways'. The main section is titled 'Please log in' and includes the instruction 'Login details are the same as you login to the university network (email account)'. There are input fields for 'Username:' and 'Password:', followed by a 'Login' button. Below the login fields, there is a note: 'Alternatively login as an [NHS user](#) or a [guest](#) but note that you can only access a limited set of free resources.' To the right of the login fields, there is a dashed box containing the text 'Getting started' and 'New users please read this simple [getting started guide](#)'. Below this, there is a link for 'EAGs Pathway' and a 'For more help' link.

Many resources do not require a login, and most that do will accept the local University username and password. If presented with an Athens login prompt you should click on **Alternative Login** (see below).



Athens Authentication Point

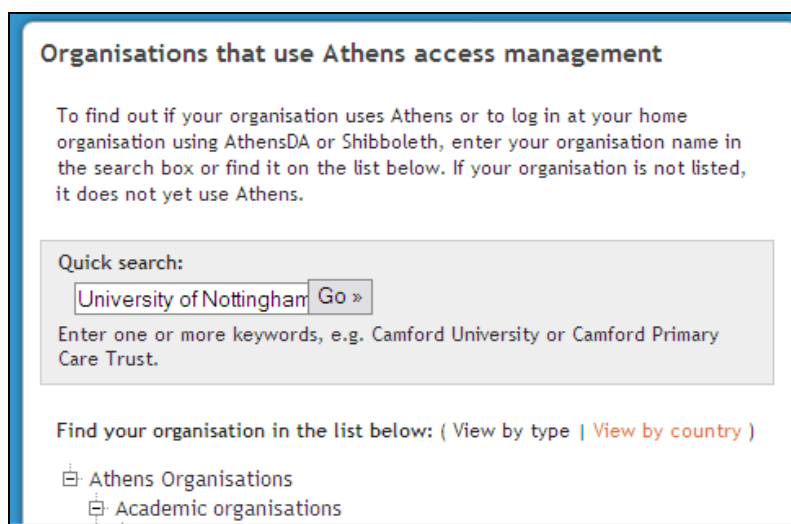
Username:

Password:

Login »

[Alternative login](#) [Login help](#)

Then search for **University of Nottingham** and follow the links to reach the local login site.



Organisations that use Athens access management

To find out if your organisation uses Athens or to log in at your home organisation using AthensDA or Shibboleth, enter your organisation name in the search box or find it on the list below. If your organisation is not listed, it does not yet use Athens.

Quick search:

Enter one or more keywords, e.g. Camford University or Camford Primary Care Trust.

Find your organisation in the list below: ([View by type](#) | [View by country](#))

Athens Organisations
 Academic organisations

The Athens authentication service is being phased out in favour of Institutional authentication, so Athens logins are no longer being issued. If you encounter any problems connecting to services via the new system there is a short online demonstration at www.nottingham.ac.uk/is/ilp/infoSkills/captivate/Institutionallogin.htm or contact your subject librarian. (See the list of subject staff at www.nottingham.ac.uk/is/help/contact/libraryfacultyteams.aspx)

How do I find resources to search for information?

The Find Database screen enables you to identify information resources by subject using the appropriate category and subcategory. You can also search for a specific resource by selecting the **Title** tab and typing in the name of the resource e.g. Medline.

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Find Database | Find eJournal | MetaSearch | My Space

Find Database | Database List

Find Database

Subjects | Titles

Subjects

- General
- Arts and Humanities
- Education
- Engineering
- Law and Social Sciences
- Life and Health Sciences
- Science

Sub-category

- General (15)
- Agriculture and Plant(2)
- Biological Sciences(22)**
- Chemistry(34)
- Computer Sciences(24)
- Environmental Sciences(16)
- Food and Nutrition(32)
- History of Science(15)
- Mathematical Sciences(17)
- Pharmacy(24)

GO

Help

By subject:
Select a subject and then a sub-category and click 'Go'.

By title:
Click on the **Titles** tab and enter the name of a database eg "medicine".

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End Session Help
Logged in as: Guest

Select a subject category and sub-category

Click **GO** to view a list of resources in this subject area

Find a known database by name through the **Titles** tab

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Find Database | Find eJournal | MetaSearch | My Space

Find Database | Database List

Database List

Search for "Subjects=Science, Sub-Category=Biological Sciences" found 25

Database View | **Brief View**

Database Name	Type	Actions
Biological - SCOPUS	Database	<Previous Next
Biological Sciences (CSA)	Database	ⓘ + 🔍
Biology Digest (CSA)	Database	ⓘ + 🔍
BIOSIS Previews (ISI)	Database	ⓘ + 🔍
CAB Abstracts (Ovid)	Database	ⓘ + 🔍
COE-OSTI e-print Network	Database	ⓘ +
EcoSal	Database	ⓘ +
EMBASE	Database	ⓘ + 🔍
Encyclopedia of Life Sciences (Wiley)	Database	ⓘ +
Encyclopedia of Microbiology (Third edition)	E-Book	ⓘ +
Environmental Sciences + Pollution Management (CSA)	Database	ⓘ + 🔍
Faculty of 1000 Biology	Database	ⓘ + 🔍
Global Invasive Species Databases	Database	ⓘ +
ISI Conference Proceedings (Wol)	Database	ⓘ +
MEDLINE (OVID) 1969 - Present	Database	ⓘ + 🔍
MEDLINE (OVID) 1996 - Present	Database	ⓘ + 🔍

Help

Click an underlined title to access...
Click on ⓘ to add to your clipboard (MetaSearch).

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Key

- ⓘ Please check ⓘ for important information
- 📱 Mobile version available. Click mobile link or check ⓘ for details
- 🌐 Access only possible from the University of Nottingham network
- 🔒 Password required. See ⓘ for details
- 🆓 Unrestricted access (ie free)
- ⓘ Information
- ➕ Add to clipboard (manage via My Space > My Databases)
- 📄 Already added to clipboard (see My Space > My Databases)
- 🔍 Database is searchable

Log Out Help
Logged in as: TEST-SCIENCE

Select **Brief View** for a list with more details of resources

Click on the **+** icon to add a resource to your personal list

The Key explains the icons used in the Gateway

From the Database list you can click on the title of a resource to connect to it directly or mark resources to add to your personal list which can then be viewed under the **My Space** or **MetaSearch** tabs. Resources with the magnifying glass icon displayed in the **Actions** column can be cross searched through MetaSearch within the eLibrary Gateway. Resources without the magnifying glass icon must be searched individually by following the title links.

How do I search the resources for information on my subject?

The MetaSearch screen provides a search engine and cross-search facility which can be applied to all the resources flagged with the magnifying glass icon. If you have used the eLibrary Gateway before, you will see your selected resources displayed in the 'Clipboard'. If not, you will see a list of general resources as shown below.

The screenshot shows the MetaSearch interface with several callouts:

- Tick the boxes to choose resources to search through MetaSearch.** (Points to checkboxes in the database list)
- Key in your search terms and click on Go** (Points to the search input field and the GO button)
- Identify database:** (Points to the dropdown menu on the left)
- Find other resources with the drop-down list. Select **Subjects** to browse a list of resources or **Find database** to retrieve a resource by name. Resources are added to your clipboard.** (Points to the dropdown menu)
- Click the title of resources without a box to search them directly.** (Points to a database title in the list)

The interface includes a search bar with the text "sport psychology", a "GO" button, and a list of databases. The "COPAC" database is selected with a checkmark. The search results show 34 databases, with COPAC having 3274 hits.

Your search will run against the selected resources and results will be returned for each database as shown below.

The screenshot shows the MetaSearch Results page. The search was for "sport psychology" in "General". The results are displayed in a table:

Database Name	Status	Hits	Action
COPAC	DONE	3274	View
UNLOC	DONE	33	View
WorldCat	DONE	5382	View
Combined Results	First 98 records	8699	View

The 'hits' are individual journal articles or books etc and the references to these can be displayed by clicking on **View Results**.

Results from the first database display. Click **Results by Databases** to see results from other resources or combined results

Select **Brief View** or **Full View** to see references in more detail.

If you click on **Combined results** you can refine the search by Topics, Dates, Authors etc. displayed to the right of the results

Mark the references you wish to save with the basket icon. View them in **My Space**

Click the red **SFX** icon to see whether the reference is available online or in the library See below for more detail.

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UNLOC	DONE	33	View
WorldCat	DONE	5392	View
Combined Results		First 90 records	View

The SFX window shows availability of references. In this case the journal article is online and the **GO** button links to it. Note there may be information about access to the resource from off campus.

Alternatively follow the link to the library catalogue to check if the item is held in the library in print.

You can also follow up any related references which are displayed in the lower part of the SFX window.

How can I personalise the eLibrary Gateway?

Under the **My Space** tab you can save sets of references, selected from MetaSearch, on the 'eShelf'. Your personal choices of resources and journals can be set up under 'My databases' and 'My eJournals' and searches you wish to re-run are saved under the 'History' tab. You can also set preferred display settings under 'Preferences':

Tick boxes to select references and **Save** them from this screen.

How do I find electronic journals?

To find electronic journals select the **Find eJournal** tab to search by title:

Help
By Title
Enter the title of a journal e.g. forest.
By Category
Select a category; then a subcategory and click on 'Go'.
By Locator
Enter a title and select 'Go'. Select either 'locate' or 'category'; or both and click on 'Go'.
By Citation Linker
Enter details of a known article and click on 'Go'.
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For more help

A list of matching journal titles will be displayed with the SFX links, as above. It is also possible to search for journals by subject category or to locate a known article using the Citation Linker.

For further help using the eLibrary Gateway see the WebCT Pathway2Information tutorial webct.nottingham.ac.uk or ask a member of the library staff for assistance.