

RESEARCH GUIDE

Administration of Justice

George Mason University Libraries

This research guide is meant to aid students and researchers in locating basic information sources regarding criminal justice-related materials within the collections of the George Mason University Libraries. The URL for this page is <http://library.gmu.edu/research/adminjus.pdf>.

To Locate Books and Videos:

The GMU Library Catalog

Books that cover ADJ subject matter can be located by subject (as well as by author or title) in the online GMU Catalog (<http://library.gmu.edu/>). Some examples of relevant subject headings for ADJ topics include:

- Courts
- Crime
- Criminal justice, Administration of
- Criminal law
- Criminology
- Justice, Administration of
- Law
- Law enforcement
- Police
- Prisons
- Social problems
- Sociology

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Database Search Headings Titles Patron Login Request History Help

Database: George Mason University

Simple Search Builder Search Course Reserve

Find This: [law enforcement]

Quick Limit: None

Find Results in:

- Keyword
- Title
- Author (Last First)
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- Journal Title
- Search ISBN

15 records per page Search Reset Set Limits

Quick Search Tips

Keyword

- Combine terms with **and or not**: college or university
- Truncate using a question mark (?): **educat?**
- Use quotes ("") to search for a phrase: **"united states"**
- Use parentheses to group concepts: **(baseball or softball) and women**

Journal Title

- Omit initial articles (a, an, the, der, la, los, etc.): **economist**
- Enter just the first few words: **journal of modern**

Relevant Library of Congress Call Number Ranges

Browse these call number ranges in the stacks to find books on your topic.

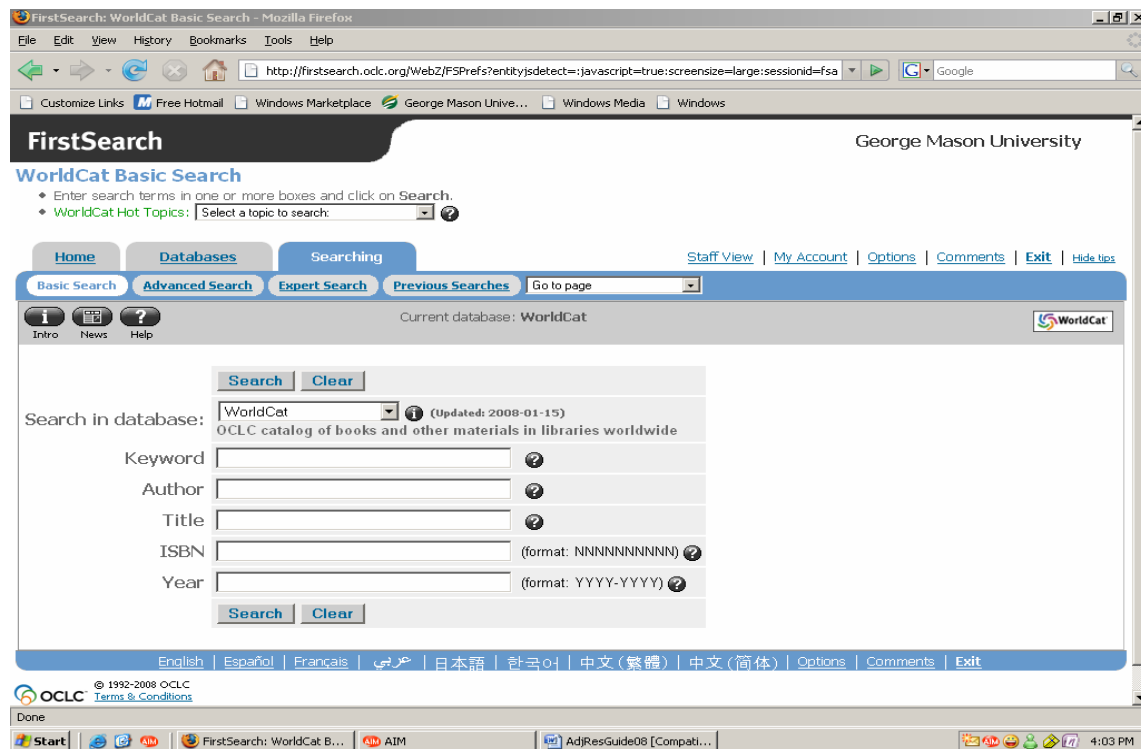
Criminal justice administration	HV 7231-9960
Criminal law and procedure	K 5000-5582
Criminology	HV 6001-7220.5
Family and sexual issues	HQ
Law of the United States	KF
Police	HV 7551-8280.7
Prisons	HV 8301-9920.7
Social problems and reforms	HN
Sociology	HM

Other Sources of Information

ALADIN – the online catalog for the Washington Research Library Consortium (WRLC). With a valid GMU identification card you may request books and journal articles free of charge directly through the WRLC libraries catalog (ALADIN) at <http://www.aladin.wrlc.org>.

The screenshot shows the ALADIN website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Catalog', 'MyALADIN', 'Help', and 'Library Home', along with an 'ASK A LIBRARIAN' button. Below this is a search bar and a 'Find Databases' section. The 'Find Databases' section has tabs for 'Subject', 'Titles', and 'More Options'. Under the 'Subject' tab, there are two columns: 'Subject' and 'Sub-category'. The 'Subject' column lists various subjects like AlphaGMAE List, AlphaGMFP List, Anthropology, etc. The 'Sub-category' column shows 'General(85)'. A 'GO' button is located to the right of the 'Sub-category' list. Below the 'Find Databases' section, there is a 'Browse Databases by Subject' section with three columns of subject lists: AlphaGMAE List, Criminal Justice, Mathematics; AlphaGMFP List, Economics, News and Broad Topics; AlphaGMOZ List, Education, News/Current Events; Anthropology, Engineering, Other Library Catalogs; Arts - Fine and Performing, Geography and Environmental Sci, Philosophy and Religion; Biology, Government and Politics, Physics and Astronomy; Business, Health Sciences, Psychology; Chemistry, History, Reference Sources; Communications, Humanities- Interdisciplinary, Social Work; Company and Industry, Literature and Language, Sociology; Computer Science; Conflict Resolution.

WorldCat - Search for books and other materials in libraries worldwide. Select WorldCat from George Mason University Libraries Database Portal at <http://furbo.gmu.edu/dbwiz/SPT--BrowseResources.php>



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Submit requests online via the *E-Requests* link: <http://library.gmu.edu/requests/requests.html>

To Locate Articles:

Databases

The databases listed below are those that deal most directly with Administration of Justice issues. Numerous databases may need to be consulted for research, including other interdisciplinary databases not listed here. Except as marked, the databases listed below are available via the George Mason University Libraries Database Portal (<http://furbo.gmu.edu/dbwiz/SPT--BrowseResources.php>).

Database	Coverage	Notes
Air University Library's Index to Military Periodicals	1988-present	Indexes articles on military affairs, national security, law and intelligence from publications of the United States Armed Forces.
Congressional Research Service (CRS) Reports	1993-present	GalleryWatch CRS Reports includes abstracts and PDF full-text for more than 25,000 reports, enabling researchers to keep track of issues as they are presented and discussed in the ever-changing environment of Capitol Hill. These reports are initially generated for Members of Congress and include nonpartisan, objective analysis and research on all legislative issues. Content includes economics, environmental studies, foreign affairs, civil rights, national security, terrorism and more.
Constitution Finder	varies	Links to constitutions, charters, amendments, and other related documents from nations of the world.
CQ Supreme Court Collection	1969-present	Provides summaries and analysis of Supreme Court decisions issued from 1969-present. Includes biographies of the justices, analysis & statistics on their voting records, and institutional history.
CQ Weekly	1983-present	Provides comprehensive coverage of the U.S. Congress, including bill status, votes, and Committee and Floor action. Also included in this database is the full text of CQ Researcher which offers in-depth analysis of major issues in the news.
Criminal Justice Abstracts	1968-present	Provides comprehensive coverage of the major journals in criminology and related disciplines, extensive coverage of books, and unparalleled access to reports from government and nongovernmental agencies.
Criminal Justice Periodical Index	1981-present	Comprehensive collection of U.S. and international criminal justice journals including information for professionals in law enforcement, corrections administration, drug enforcement, rehabilitation, family law, and industrial security.
EUR-lex		Provides direct free access to European Union law. The system makes it possible to consult the Official Journal of the European Union and it includes inter alia the treaties, legislation, case-law and legislative proposals.
Foreign Government Resources on the Web		University of Michigan Documents Center provides links to government, political science, statistical data, and news for countries by region.

Hein On-line	varies	A constantly growing collection of legal periodicals that currently includes more than 90 full-text journals. To access the database, simply click on Hein-On-Line, then choose: "SUBSCRIBERS, please click here to enter".
Homeland Security Digital Library	2002-present	Provides access to U.S. policy documents, presidential directives, and national strategy documents, as well as specialize resources such as dissertations, reports, and position papers from universities, research institutions, think tanks, U.S. local and state agencies, and international organizations.
Index to Legal Periodicals & Books (by Wilson)	1983-present	Indexes legal periodicals and books covering law reviews, bar association journals, yearbooks, institutes and government publications.
International Center for Not-for-Profit Law Online Library		Searchable directory of legal documents, court cases, reports, and other civil society resources from countries around the world.
Legal Trac		Drawing on a wide variety of the most highly regarded legal publications, LegalTrac™ provides indexing for approximately 875 titles including major law reviews, legal newspapers, bar association journals and international legal journals.
LexisNexis Academic		LexisNexis Academic provides access to a wide range of news (includes New York Times, Washington Post, LA Times), business (company news, industry forecasts), government (legislative news, tax information), legal (news, case law) and reference information.
LLMC - Digital (Law Library Microform Consortium Digital)		Online access to the full text of the Law Library Microform Consortium collection of legal and government documents material.
Making of Modern Law	1800-1926	Provides digital images on every page of 22,000 legal treatises on US and British law published from 1800 through 1926. Full-text searching on more than 10 million pages provides researchers access to legal history.
Supreme Court Collection	1969-present	Provides summaries and analysis of Supreme Court decisions issued from 1969-present. Includes biographies of the justices, analysis & statistics on their voting records, and institutional history.
THOMAS		A free service of the Library of Congress, THOMAS puts Federal Legislative information on the internet. Databases in the THOMAS system include: Congress Now (floor actions), Bills, Congressional Record, Committee information & more. Also includes a historical section.
U.S. Supreme Court Records and Briefs	1832-1978	Page image database of U.S. Supreme Court Records and Briefs, 1832-1978.

United Nations - Official Document System (ODS)	1993-present	Covers all types of official United Nations documentation, beginning in 1993. Older UN documents are, however, added to the system on a daily basis. ODS also provides access to the resolutions of the General Assembly, Security Council, Economic and Social Council and the Trusteeship Council from 1946 onwards.
US Federal Legislative History Library		Selected legislative histories available in full-text, fully searchable format.
Virginia Legislature	1994-present	Covers the most recent Virginia state legislation session. Provides the full-text of Bills and Resolutions, the code of Virginia, and the Administrative Code.

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organization preparing the document.

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J1.39: U.S. Dept. of Justice, Criminal Justice Agencies
J16.1-16.31 Prisons Bureau
J16.102-16.110 National Institute of Corrections
J28: Justice Assistance Bureau
J28: U.S. Dept. of Justice, National Institute of Justice
J29: Justice Statistics Bureau
J32: Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Office

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