Welcome to Queen’s Library! The Queen’s University Library (QUL) homepage is the entry to the Library's collections and research tools. Our print and online collections include millions of print and digital articles, books, media, and other archive and special collections.

Begin your research from the Library’s website. Here you will find:

- Omni, the Library’s discovery tool
- Links to the research resources to which we subscribe
- Information about our services and your library account
- Help with the research process, including subject and course guides

https://library.queensu.ca
1 Off-Campus Access

Sign in with your Net ID when connecting from off-campus to access the Library’s electronic subscriptions (eBooks, eJournals, indexes & databases).

2 My Account

Links to My Library Account, Interlibrary Loan (RACER) and onQ.

3 Search

Links to Search Tools, Types of Information, and guides to Subjects & Courses.

4 Help & Services

Links to Your Library (see Graduate Students), Help, Using the Library, Teaching & Research (see Copyright & Fair Dealing and Scholarly).

5 Location & Hours

Links to Locations, About our Locations, and Technology.

6 Omni (the Library’s Discovery Tool)

Search across our Library holdings and many of our electronic resources, all from one search box. Use the facets available within Omni to narrow down your search results.

7 Ask Us

Chat or email us with your questions.

8 COVID-19

Library services and operations are constantly being updated. Please refer to our COVID-19 Updates on Library Services & Operations page for the latest information.

Using the Library

Locations

Queen’s University has five libraries:

- Stauffer Library – Business, Humanities, Social Sciences, Art Collection, Maps, Data, and Government Information.
- Bracken Health Sciences Library
- Education Library
- Lederman Law Library
- Douglas Library - Engineering and Science and Jordan Special Collections Library

Borrowing Information
Your Queen’s ID card is your Library card and you can view your Library account on our website. You will find complete borrowing information, including loan periods, how to renew and recall items, fines and more at [http://Library.queensu.ca/help-services/borrowing](http://Library.queensu.ca/help-services/borrowing).

**View my Account**

Login to your [Library account](http://Library.queensu.ca/help-services/borrowing) to find out what you have borrowed, due dates, fines, and status of your hold requests.

**Study Space**

As of September 8th, 150 seats in Stauffer Library are available to students for study, bookable in advance only, using our [online reservation system](http://Library.queensu.ca/help-services/borrowing). Seats can be booked in time slots between 8:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday to Friday, in two blocks per day: 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, and 2:00 to 7:00 pm. The Library is closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

The Library will continue to expand access to study space in Stauffer Library and our other Library locations throughout the fall term, adjusting as needed to prioritize student, staff, and faculty safety.

Due to the current situation regarding COVID-19 all group study rooms, including the Helen Howard Graduate Students Reading Room (3rd Floor of Stauffer Library) and graduate study carrels will not be available at the beginning of September. The Library is working on plans to provide access to these spaces later in the fall term.

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**Research by Subject Guides**

[Research by Subject Guides](http://Library.queensu.ca/help-services/borrowing): Queen’s University Library provides subject and course guides to help you connect with the best tools, resources, and strategies to conduct your research.

[Research by Subject](http://Library.queensu.ca/help-services/borrowing) - Classics: [Classics Research Guide](http://Library.queensu.ca/help-services/borrowing)
Research Tools

Reference Materials

When seeking authoritative background information consult specialized bibliographies, companions, dictionaries, encyclopedias, and handbooks. The Library’s subject guide for Classics lists recommended reference resources.

Oxford Bibliographies Online (locate via the link Databases) are authoritative research guides. Examples for Classics scholarship include:

- Aristotle’s Categories;
- Ancient Greek and Latin Grammarians; and
- Plato’s Phaedo.

Handbooks have in-depth articles written by noted experts and offer through introductions to topics. Examples include:

- Oxford handbooks online, Archaeology;
- The Oxford Handbook of Greek and Roman Art and Architecture;
- The Oxford Handbook of Roman Epigraphy;
• Oxford Handbook of Warfare in the Classical World; and
• The Oxford Handbook of Greek and Roman Comedy.

Other reference handbooks, encyclopedias, companions and biographies include: The Cambridge Ancient History; Blackwell Companions to the Ancient World; and Brill's New Pauly: Encyclopaedia of the ancient world.

Library Catalogues

Omni
Omni is the Queen’s Library academic search tool that enables you to search for books, journals, articles, videos and much more, all from one interface. Omni enables you to search different scopes of information collections: locally at Queen's and consortially with 13 other partner libraries. Books that are not available at Queen's can be requested through interlibrary loan.

Omni includes content from the various research databases to which Queen's University Library subscribes but not everything is included in Omni. If you are looking for information on a very specific topic, it is recommended that you search databases that specialize in that subject area for more thorough results.

• Discover the features of Omni in our quick guide.
• Detailed information about how to search Omni is available in the Omni Search Tips guide.

* Remember to sign in using your Queen’s NetID and password (if not already signed in) when using Omni.
Other Library Catalogues

WorldCat
WorldCat is a database of Library holdings around the world. It can help you identify materials in other libraries, which you can then request through interlibrary loan.
**Center for Research Libraries (CRL)**
CRL is a rich resource Library, which acquires and preserves newspapers, journals, documents, archives and other collections, plus digital resources from all over the world. CRL materials can be obtained for extended loan periods at no cost by users affiliated with member libraries when interlibrary loan services re-open.

**HathiTrust**
Queen’s is a member of HathiTrust, a partnership of academic and research institutions, which provides access to a collection of millions of titles digitized from libraries around the world.

**Article Indexes and Databases**
Search indexes and databases to find journal articles, citations to books, theses and more. Each academic discipline has its own specialized databases which index the core literature of that discipline. The Articles section of the Classics subject guide lists core and related recommended databases. These include:

- **L'Année philologique**
  Comprehensive index to scholarly research in classical studies. Content coverage: Second millennium B.C. - 800 A.D.

- **JSTOR**
  Contains full text articles from major research journals in the humanities, social sciences, and sciences. Coverage of most journals starts from the beginning of a journal’s publication and typically excludes the most recent three to five years.

- **Project Muse**
  Full-text database of journal articles in the arts, humanities and social sciences. Use this alongside JSTOR as it often provides access to more recent issues of journals that appear in JSTOR.

- **DYABOLA Archaeology Databases**
  Subjects: classical archaeology, etruscology, minoan archaeology and prehistory.

- **Arts and Humanities Citation Index**
  A multidisciplinary database covering the journal literature of the arts and humanities.

- **Google Scholar**
  Google Scholar searches the academic, scholarly Web for peer-reviewed papers, theses, books, abstracts, and articles. Searching Google Scholar from Queen’s University Library will identify full text articles available from QUL resources as well as open access articles from other universities and colleges.
EBook Collections

Most of the Library’s electronic books are listed in Omni but you may also want to search the Library’s eBook packages directly. Please note that when searching these collections directly, you may encounter titles in the collection to which QUL does not have access. The Ebooks at Queen’s library guide contains detailed information on finding and using eBooks.

EBook collections relevant to Classics include:

- ACLS Humanities E-book
- Oxford Scholarship Online

Finding Images

- ARTstor
- Oxford Art Online
- Perseus Art and Artifact Browser

Selected Digitized Primary Sources

- Library of Latin Texts
  The Library of Latin Texts Series A is the world's leading database for Latin and contains texts from Antiquity to the twentieth century.

- Perseus Digital Library
  Online collection of ancient authors in the original Greek and Latin. Includes texts and translations of many core ancient authors. Contains primary and secondary sources for the study of ancient Greece and Rome.

- Thesaurus Linguae Graecae: a digital library of Greek literature
  Fulltext database of literary texts written in Greek from Homer to the fall of the Byzantium in AD 1453. Users may search on author, title, publication, or text string.

Theses and Dissertations

Queen’s theses published since 2007, are deposited in QSpace, the Queen’s University Research and Learning Repository. To locate Queen’s, Canadian, and international theses, consult the Library’s information on Theses & Dissertations at https://Library.queensu.ca/search/theses-dissertations. If you are seeking guidance on Preparing and Submitting Your Thesis to QSpace, please consult https://Library.queensu.ca/help-services/scholarly-publishing/preparing-submitting-your-thesis-qspace.
**Interlibrary Loan**

Use Interlibrary Loan to obtain loan or copies of items that Queen’s libraries do not own. Click **Interlibrary Loan (RACER)** under the link, **My Account** on the Library home page. RACER allows you to simultaneously search Library catalogues from Ontario universities and place and track requests for books and articles. You can also search other Library catalogues by checking this list at: [https://Library.queensu.ca/search/other-Library-catalogues](https://Library.queensu.ca/search/other-Library-catalogues).

**NOTE:** ILL is currently only available for electronic materials (articles and book chapters). Print materials are not available via interlibrary loan. Borrowing and lending of physical materials is suspended at this time as many of our partner Library locations are closed or operating at reduced capacity. Where possible, we will endeavour to obtain the materials through alternative methods, including eBook purchasing.

**Recommend a Title**

The Library will consider your requests for new acquisitions such as books or streaming videos. You can either contact your **Subject Librarian** directly, or fill out the Library’s **Recommend a New Collection Acquisition** form.

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**Classics Journal Abbreviations**

To identify abbreviations of Classics journals found in bibliographies, consult:

- **L’année Philologique**. Downloadable PDF
- The Oxford Classical Dictionary’s [Abbreviations List](https://Library.queensu.ca/search/other-Library-catalogues)
- **American Journal of Archaeology**

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**Current Awareness Services Alerting**

Current awareness or table of contents services assist researchers in keeping up to date with current literature in a discipline. Several databases and electronic journals provide automated alerting services, based on your search profile or search strategy.
• **JournalTOCs**
  This service allows you to keep up to date with newly published scholarly material by enabling you to browse, view, save, and search across thousands of journal tables of contents from hundreds of publishers. Good for archaeology journals.

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**Citing and Citation Management**

Citing your sources is an important part of your research. The Library has print and electronic copies of various *citation style guides*.

All citation managers perform the same basic functions. However, some programs offer extended options such as opportunities to share information, the possibility of creating a personal profile, or collaboration tools that let you work with peers. Consult the Library’s guide to Citation Managers at: [https://guides.Library.queensu.ca/citing-and-citation-managers/home](https://guides.Library.queensu.ca/citing-and-citation-managers/home) for helpful information on managing your citations.

IT Services has arranged for an enterprise-wide license to **EndNote** for users at Queen’s. Information and links to download the software have been added to the Software Centre page on the MyQueensU Portal with additional information posted to an ITServices page [https://my.queensu.ca/software-centre](https://my.queensu.ca/software-centre).

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**Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion**

Queen’s librarians have curated an *Anti-Black Racism Reading list* providing a selection of resources available at Queen's University Library and beyond, on the topics of anti-Black racism and violence in Canada, Black resistance, race and health equity, race and the Canadian legal system, and educating against anti-Black racism. As well, the *Black Studies Research guide* brings together recommended print, electronic and web resources for research on Black Studies in North America.

The *Queen’s Library Indigenous Studies guide* links to sources for articles, books, multimedia resources, and websites to support the study of Indigenous history and ways of knowing on Turtle Island and beyond. Related guides include, *Aboriginal & Indigenous Law; Indigenous Education; Indigenous Health*; and *Indigenous Language Revitalization*.

The Library provides adaptive software, technology access and instruction, study space, and course materials in alternate accessible formats to assist students who are registered with Queen’s Student Accessibility Services (SAS) with researching, reading, writing, and note-taking. Please refer to the Library’s *Accessibility* website for more detailed information.

**EDI and Classics**
The American Journal of Archaeology stands in solidarity with Black, Indigenous, and People of Color against systemic injustice in North America and throughout the world. The Journal fully endorses the AIA Statement on Archaeology and Social Justice.

- Archaeological institute of America (AIA) Statement On Archaeology And Social Justice

Contact Us

Ask Us Services

The Library's Ask Us chat and email services are available to assist you with your information and research needs.

Research Consultations

Consult the Classics liaison librarian, Michele Chittenden, for your research consultations. Please note that during the pandemic, I will be working off-campus and will be happy to meet with you via e-mail or teleconference, if preferred.

Library Services During COVID-19

Updates

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**Curbside access to print collections**

The Library offers a curbside pickup service to all current Queen’s students, faculty, and staff using the *Request* feature in our [Omni search tool](https://library.queensu.ca/). Materials will be retrieved on a first-come, first-serve basis, and users will be notified by email when their item(s) are available for pickup at Stauffer Library.

Please see our [curbside access instructions](https://library.queensu.ca/) on how to complete these requests.

**Important note:** Items available electronically through HathiTrust's Emergency Temporary Access Service are not eligible for the Library's curbside pickup service, as per the agreement terms with HathiTrust.

**Scanning service for print collections**

A new Library scanning service is available to all current Queen’s students, faculty, and staff.

Use the *Request for Scan* feature in the [Omni search tool](https://library.queensu.ca/) for a single book chapter or journal article or similar fair dealing amount, subject to copyright. You must be logged in to Omni using your NetID. You will be notified by email when the scan is available for download for a 30-day period. Eligible collections initially include all regular (i.e. “open stacks”) and limited (2-week loan) circulating print materials. We expect to evolve this service over time to include other print materials.

Please see our [scanning request instructions](https://library.queensu.ca/) on how to complete these requests.

For materials held in the W. D. Jordan Rare Books and Special Collections, users can search Omni and request scans by contacting jordan.Library@queensu.ca.
Temporary access to select resources

Some vendors are offering temporary free access to electronic resources, and the Library has enabled them for Queen’s University. Of significance to Classics students:

- **JSTOR**
  Expanded access to JSTOR Archive and Primary Source collections available through December 31, 2020.

- **Hathi Trust**

  The Library is a member of HathiTrust (HT) and has activated the HT Emergency Temporary Access Service (ETAS) for current faculty, students, and staff at Queens University. ETAS provide electronic “read” access via Hathi Trust (HT) to over 860,000 in-copyright items from our print collections through 2003, in addition to the 4.4 million worldwide public domain items already accessible in HT.

  Please see Accessing HathiTrust ETAS instructions on how to complete these requests.

  ETAS access is through the HathiTrust website and authentication is using a Queen’s NetID and password (by clicking on the yellow log in button). For each copy of an item in our collection, one simultaneous checkout is allowed for 60 minutes, with automatic renewals if the user remains active on the site and no other Queen’s user is waiting for the item. Access to the HT ETAS will cease once we resume normal access to Queen’s Library collections.