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Searching the Catalogs: LRC Catalog, Circuit, ILL
LRC Catalog

- The Legal Research Center’s online catalog links to materials held at the LRC and the Main Library (Copley)

- The catalog can be used to find not just materials in our print collection, but also to access e-books and electronic databases

- **Access:** You can link to the catalog off of the LRC’s webpage [http://www.sandiego.edu/law/library/](http://www.sandiego.edu/law/library/)

- We offer [Curbside Pickup](http://www.sandiego.edu/law/library/) for all print materials
Catalog Examples

- Comparative legal traditions in a nutshell / Mary Ann Glendon, Learned Hand
  - LRC Reserve (K560 .G55 2016)

- Comparative constitutional law in Asia / edited by Tom Ginsburg and Rosalind Dixon
  - LRC Reading Room (KNC524 .C636 2014)

- Asia Pacific and human rights : a global political economy perspective / Paul Close and David Askew
  - CL Book Stacks (JC599.E18 C56 2004) see all

- Human rights constitutionalism in Japan and Asia [electronic resource] : the writings of Lawrence W. Beer / Lawrence W. Beer
  - Copley Internet (KNC524 .B44 2009eb)
Because USD is a member of a library consortium called the Circuit, you can borrow materials from any of the member libraries which include SDSU, UCSD and the San Diego County and Public Libraries.

Circuit does NOT include Thomas Jefferson Law School or California Western School of Law.

Access: You can link to the Circuit catalog through the LRC catalog or [http://circuit.sdsu.edu](http://circuit.sdsu.edu)
WorldCat and Interlibrary Loan

- If you’re looking for an item and can’t find it in the LRC Catalog or the Circuit, then check WorldCat to see if it can be interlibrary-loaned from a participating member of a worldwide network of libraries.

- To request an ILL, click here (check with a reference librarian first).
LRC Interlibrary Loan

In the course of your research you will encounter book titles, journal articles, theses and dissertations which are not available in the Legal Research Center or books held by San Diego Circuit Libraries. The Interlibrary Loan Department at LRC will try to borrow such items for you from another institution as quickly as possible. We ask that you follow the ILL Policies when planning and placing an interlibrary loan request.

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Item Information

* Title

Please do not abbreviate unless your citation is abbreviated

* Author/Editors

Publisher

Place of Publication

Date of Publication

Edition
Journal Articles
Law Journal Articles

- **Westlaw**: Journals & Law Reviews

- **Lexis-Nexis**: Law Reviews & Journals

- **Google Scholar**: Click on Settings and add USD to your library links to access all of our subscription databases

- **Hein-Online** is a database that contains digital (PDF) images of law reviews from U.S. law schools. Access through the our [Legal Research Databases](#) page.
Non-Law Articles

- Copley Library Databases (e.g. JSTOR, Academic Search Premier, SpringerLink Journals)
  - Available through the [Copley Databases page](https://www.ssrn.com/en/)

- SSRN – Social Sciences Research Network

- Google Advanced
  - [https://www.google.com/advanced_search](https://www.google.com/advanced_search)
Foreign Constitutions
World Constitutions Illustrated

- Constitutional law for over 190 countries.
- Current and historical official constitutional texts.
- Scholarly journal articles, books, and other constitutional commentary, organized by country.

Available in HeinOnline through the LRC Databases page.
Constitute (Comparative Constitutions Project)

- Constitute offers free access to the world’s constitutions that users can systematically compare across over 300 topics.

- Constitute was developed by the Comparative Constitutions Project at the University of Texas at Austin.

https://www.constituteproject.org
Max Planck Encyclopedia of Comparative Constitutional Law

- Comparative Constitutional Law essays covering a variety of jurisdictions.
- Citations to seminal foreign cases.

Available through the LRC Databases page.
WIPO Lex

WIPO Lex provides free access to global legal information, primarily in the area of intellectual property.

http://www.wipo.int/wipolex/en/
Foreign Law
(statutes and case law)
Foreign Law Guide

- The Foreign Law Guide is an essential resource in researching the laws of another country.

- For each country, the FLG provides a brief overview to the law of the country, laws arranged by subject, English translations, and scholarly commentary.

Available through the LRC Databases page.
Globalex

Research guides to the legal literature of many jurisdictions throughout the world.

http://www.nyulawglobal.org/globalex/
Foreign Websites

- Use Google translate!
  - To directly translate foreign websites instead of using the English ‘portal’ (usually a pared down version of the full website)
  - To generate keywords to search websites or Google in the original language.
Table 2: Foreign Jurisdictions provides citation and research help for over 35 foreign countries.

Contact the reference desk for a 60-day free online trial at lrcrefer@sandiego.edu
Lexis and Westlaw
Westlaw

- Secondary Sources > Law Reviews & Journals

- To navigate by specific country, click on International Materials, then select one of the main six foreign jurisdictions (Australia, Canada, European Union, Hong Kong, Korea, United Kingdom), or select Other International Jurisdictions.
Lexis

- Secondary Materials > Law Reviews & Journals

- For material from specific countries click on the International Tab. Click on View All Countries to see the full list of available countries.
We’re here to help!

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  Foreign & International
  Law Librarian

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- Reference librarians are here every day except Saturday.

- Chat at https://www.sandiego.edu/law/library/

- Ref. Desk E-mail: lrcrefer@sandiego.edu