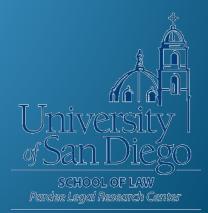# Law of the Sea
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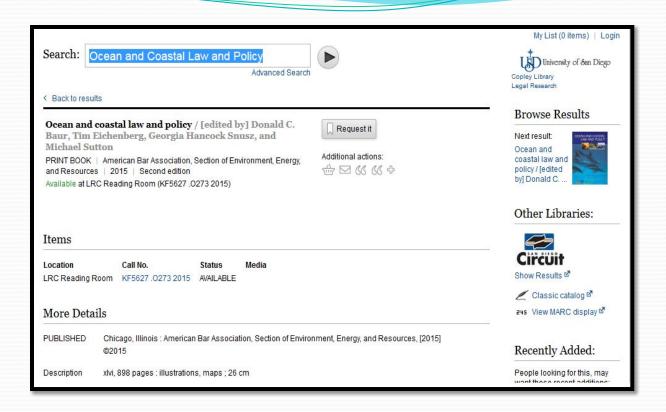
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Searching the Catalogs:
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LRC Catalog

- 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
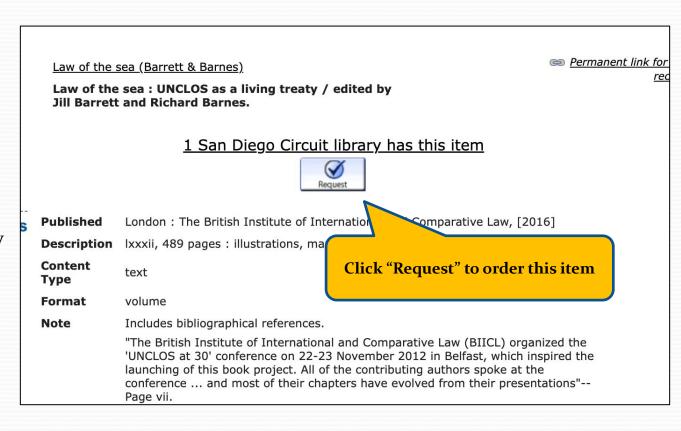

- **Access:** You can link to the catalog off of the LRC's webpage
http://www.sandiego.edu/law/library/

Circuit Catalog

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 City and County public libraries.

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

Law of the sea (Barrett & Barnes)

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Law of the sea : UNCLOS as a living treaty / edited by Jill Barrett and Richard Barnes.

1 San Diego Circuit library has this item

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Published	London : The British Institute of International and Comparative Law, [2016]
Description	lxxxii, 489 pages : illustrations, ma
Content Type	text
Format	volume
Note	Includes bibliographical references.
	"The British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL) organized the 'UNCLOS at 30' conference on 22-23 November 2012 in Belfast, which inspired the launching of this book project. All of the contributing authors spoke at the conference … and most of their chapters have evolved from their presentations"-- Page vii.

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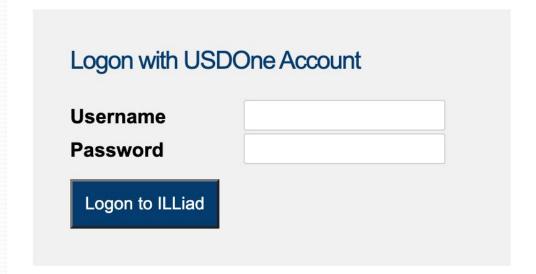
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Before requesting an interlibrary loan, you must first check to see if it's available on campus (check USD catalogs here) or through The Circuit (check Circuit here).

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Journal Databases

Journal Databases & Indexes

- [Westlaw]: Journals & Law Reviews (JLR) & [Lexis-Nexis]: Law Reviews & Journals (Lawrev)

- [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.

Getting Started Online

Treaties

A treaty (sometimes called a convention, covenant, protocol, etc.) is an agreement between two or more nations or international organizations. It may be bilateral (between two countries), or multilateral (between three or more countries).

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, Dec. 10, 1982, 1833 U.N.T.S. 396, 21 I.L.M. 1245.

Treaty databases

- HeinOnline
  - The Treaties and Agreements Library includes PDF images of Statutes at Large, U.S.T., T.I.A.S, Bevans, Treaties in Force, and International Legal Materials (I.L.M.). The United Nations Law Collection includes PDF images of U.N.T.S. and L.N.T.S. Available through the LRC databases page

- United Nations Treaty Collection

- Westlaw and Lexis
  - Both Westlaw and Lexis contain Statutes at Large, U.S.T., T.I.A.S, Bevans, Treaties in Force, and selected International Legal Materials.

	United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, Dec. 10, 1982, 1833 U.N.T.S. 396, 21 I.L.M. 1245.	Convention against Discrimination in Education, May 22, 1962, 429 U.N.T.S. 93.	Treaty on the Limitation of Anti-Ballistic Missile Systems, U.S.-U.S.S.R, May 26, 1972, 23 U.S.T. 3435, 944 U.N.T.S. 13.
Westlaw	YES	NO	YES
LexisNexis	YES	NO	YES
HeinOnline	YES	YES	YES
United Nations Treaty Database	YES	YES	YES

Foreign Law

Foreign Law refers to the domestic law of any country other than the United States

- [National System of Marine Protected Areas] Sistema Nacional de Áreas Marinas Protegidas, Ley 27.037, Boletín Oficial (9 Dec 2014)(Argentina)

Foreign Law Resources

[Brill Foreign Law Guide](#)
- An excellent starting point for locating the statutes of another country. For each foreign country there is a brief introduction to the legal system and then a section listing sources of law by subject. Available through our [LRC databases list](#).

[USD Foreign Law Research Guide](#)
- A-Z Country list with resources specific to USD students

[Westlaw](#) and [Lexis](#)
- Both LexisNexis and Westlaw contain legal databases for a variety of countries. Coverage varies widely between the two databases.

[ECOLEX](#)
- ECOLEX is an information service on environmental law, operated jointly by FAO, IUCN and UNEP. The ECOLEX database includes information on treaties, international soft-law and other non-binding policy and technical guidance documents, national legislation, judicial decisions, and law and policy literature

International Case Law

- The primary source of international case law is the International Court of Justice (ICJ), a part of the United Nations.

- Other sources of important international case law include the European Court of Justice (ECJ), and European Court of Human Rights (ECHR).

- Example Citation:
  Fisheries Jurisdiction (United Kingdom v. Iceland), 1974 I.C.J. 3.

International Court of Justice

The International Court of Justice (ICJ) is the principal judicial organ of the United Nations (UN).

Decisions from both the International Court of Justice (ICJ) (1947 – present) and it's predecessor, the Permanent Court of International Justice (PCIJ) (1920-1945/46) can be found on the court's website. The court's website also contains all of their advisory opinions and accompanying documents

- Court's website https://www.icj-cij.org/en

- Other online resources: HeinOnline (PDFs), Westlaw (ICJ decisions only) Lexis (ICJ decisions only)

European Court of Justice (ECJ)

The European Court of Justice (ECJ) decides cases arising from EU law including, but not limited to, disputes about interpretation and application of treaties and/or failure to implement EU legislation.

Cases from 1954- present available:

- Court's website: https://curia.europa.eu/jcms/jcms/j_6/en/

- Other online resources: HeinOnline (PDFs), Westlaw, Lexis

International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS

- The International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS) is an intergovernmental organization created by the mandate of the Third United Nations Conference on the Law of the Sea.

- Court's website (all cases to present): https://www.itlos.org/en/main/cases/list-of-cases/

UN docs- Document Symbols

United Nations documents are identified by a system of numbers and letters. Examples of document symbols include:

- A/RES/44/7

- A/CONF.192/2006/PC/L.1

- S/2005/831

- E/CN.17/2006/3

Official Document System (ODS)

- The best place to start your research is the online database, Official Document System of the United Nations (ODS).

- Documents are stored in two databases
  - UN Documents, which includes documents back to 1992
  - UN Resolutions, which includes resolutions back to 1946

- Unfortunately this system does not contain press releases, UN sales publications or UN treaties

Official Document System

- Search UN
  http://search.un.org/index.php?lang=en

- Official Document System Search
  https://documents.un.org/prod/ods.nsf/home.xsp

United Nations Digital Library

- The UN Digital Library launched in May 2017, taking over the former database UNBISnet.

- Content in the Digital Library
  - UN documents and open access publications
  - UN voting data and speeches
  - UN maps

- https://digitallibrary.un.org/

Westlaw and Lexis

Westlaw

- Access the laws of foreign countries by starting on Content type > international and clicking on Int'l Laws by Jurisdiction. Remember that coverage varies widely for specific countries.

- Treatises:
  - New Directions in the Law of the Sea: Regional and National Developments
  - Comparative Environmental Law and Regulation

- International law journals

Lexis

- Access the laws of foreign countries by starting on the International tab. Remember that coverage varies widely for specific countries.

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