

HANDBOOK OF
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FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION STUDENTS

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THE MISSION AND CORE VALUES OF UNION PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY

Mission Statement

Union Presbyterian Seminary equips people in the ways of Jesus to witness, teach, and live into the movement of God's Reign through their ministry in the church and world—a sacred vocation that requires deep learning, commitment to service, and an ability to read cultures and circumstances in the light of the rich resources of Scripture and theological tradition.

Core Values

We believe that Jesus is God in the flesh, the Son of that One whom he called Father. His life, ministry, death, and resurrection have transformed the world. As the risen and living Lord, Jesus has called us to bear witness to and participate in the Spirit's transformative presence in the world.

We provide, using the best available technology, innovative and effective programs of theological education, grounded in the Reformed theological tradition, that inspire and empower learners for bold service to God's Reign in the world through individual, congregational, and community ministries.

We nurture increasingly diverse and inclusive learning communities for service in the world.

We serve as a theological resource for church and society in partnership with other institutions, organizations, and faith communities.

THE MISSION OF THE UNION PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY LIBRARY

The Union Presbyterian Seminary Library provides print and electronic resources as well as Library instruction to support the curricula and research needs of Union Presbyterian Seminary. Within the bounds of its curricular focus, the Library also offers resources to church leaders, congregations, and visiting researchers for their study and growing understanding of Christian faith and practice.

By participating in three cooperative/reciprocal borrowing programs (through the Virtual Library of Virginia, the Carolinas Theological Library Consortium, and ATLA), our students and faculty also have circulating privileges at 51 other academic libraries in Virginia, 15 academic libraries in North and South Carolina, and 119 theological libraries throughout the United States and Canada.

INTRODUCTION TO LIBRARY ACCESS AND SERVICES FOR DISTANCE EDUCATION STUDENTS

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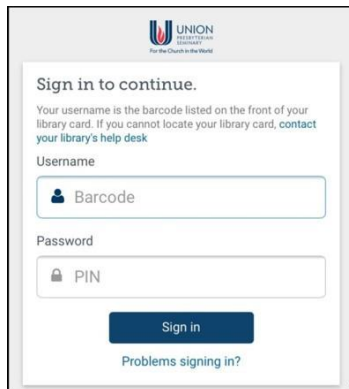
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- Access to timely reference services and research assistance

All students and faculty, regardless of physical location, are encouraged to make use of the links, tools, and services provided through the Union Presbyterian Seminary Library's home page at <https://library.upsem.edu>

OFF-SITE ACCESS TO ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

When attempting to access the Library's electronic resources from off campus, you will be prompted to sign in with a barcode and PIN associated with your Library account. Your barcode is the entire number located at the bottom of your Library card and your PIN is the first three letters of your last name.

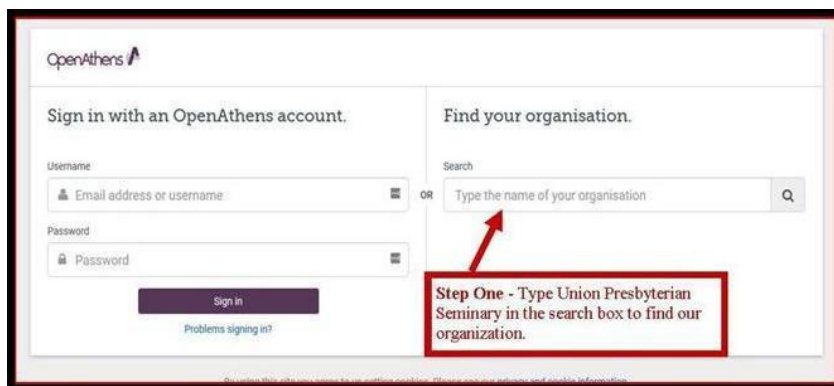
Most off-campus login prompts will look like this:



The screenshot shows a login page for the Union Presbyterian Seminary. At the top is the logo with the text "UNION PRESBYTERIAN SEMINARY For the Church in the World". Below the logo, it says "Sign in to continue." and provides instructions: "Your username is the barcode listed on the front of your library card. If you cannot locate your library card, [contact your library's help desk](#)". There are two input fields: "Username" with a placeholder "Barcode" and "Password" with a placeholder "PIN". A blue "Sign in" button is at the bottom, with a link "Problems signing in?" below it.

A few electronic resource platforms, however, require an additional step on the login screen:

1. Type "Union Presbyterian Seminary" in the "**Find your organisation**" search box.



The screenshot shows the OpenAthens login page. On the left, under "Sign in with an OpenAthens account.", there are fields for "Username" (with a sub-label "Email address or username") and "Password". A "Sign in" button is below these fields. On the right, under "Find your organisation.", there is a search box with the placeholder "Type the name of your organisation" and a magnifying glass icon. A red arrow points from a red-bordered box containing the text "Step One - Type Union Presbyterian Seminary in the search box to find our organization." to the search box. At the bottom of the page, there is a small line of text: "By using this site you consent to our policies on data protection, privacy and cookies.".

2. Select **Union Presbyterian Seminary** from the search results.

The screenshot shows the OpenAthens login interface. On the left, there is a 'Sign in with an OpenAthens account' section with fields for 'Username' (Email address or username) and 'Password', and a 'Sign in' button. On the right, there is a 'Find your organisation' section with a search bar containing 'Union Presbyterian Seminary'. Below the search bar, it says '1 organisation found:' and lists 'Union Presbyterian Seminary' with a 'Sign in' button next to it. A red box highlights the search results with the text: 'Step Two -- Select Union Presbyterian Seminary from the search results.' A red arrow points from the text to the 'Sign in' button for 'Union Presbyterian Seminary'.

3. In the Username and Password fields to the left, login with your barcode and PIN as usual and click **Sign in**.

The screenshot shows the OpenAthens login interface. On the left, there is a 'Sign in via your organisation' section with fields for 'Username' (Barcode) and 'Password' (PIN), and a 'Sign in' button. On the right, there is a 'Find your organisation' section with a search bar containing 'Type the name of your organisation'. A red box highlights the 'Sign in' button with the text: 'Step Three - In the username field type your library card barcode and in the password field your PIN then click sign in.' Three red arrows point from the text to the 'Barcode' field, the 'PIN' field, and the 'Sign in' button.

If you attempt this process and are still experiencing trouble, please contact our Director of Public and Electronic Resources, Ryan [Douthat](mailto:rdouthat@upsem.edu), at (804) 278-4217, or rdouthat@upsem.edu.

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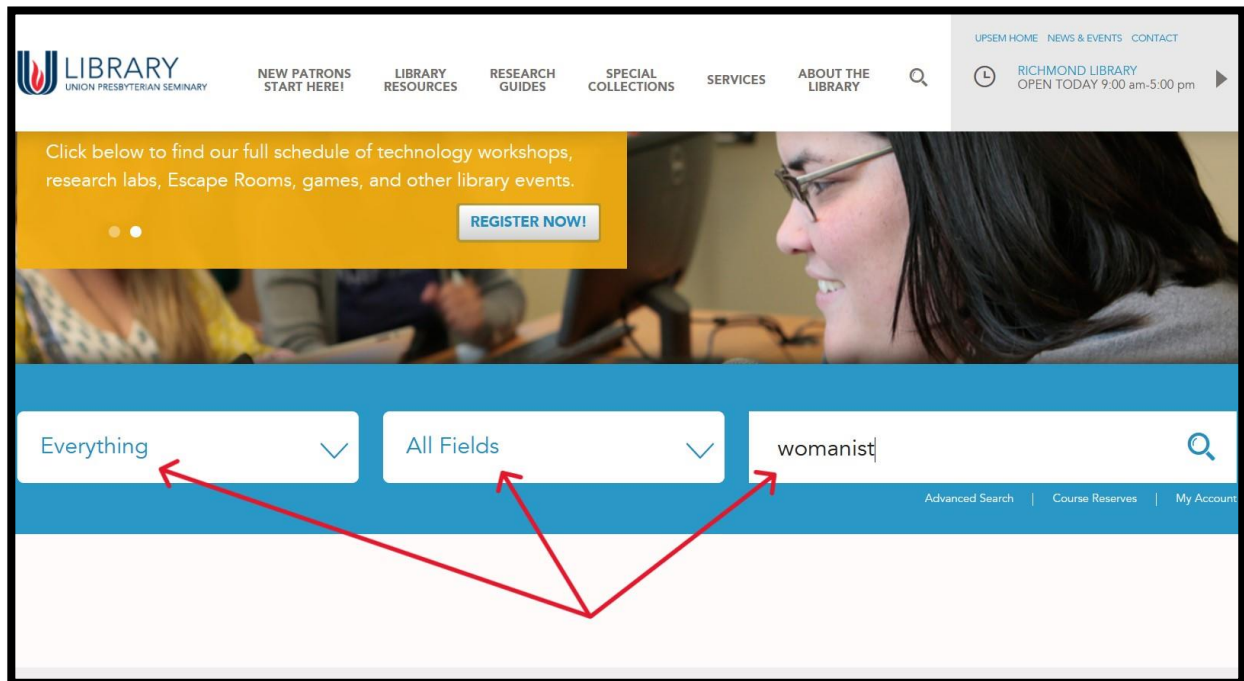
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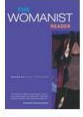
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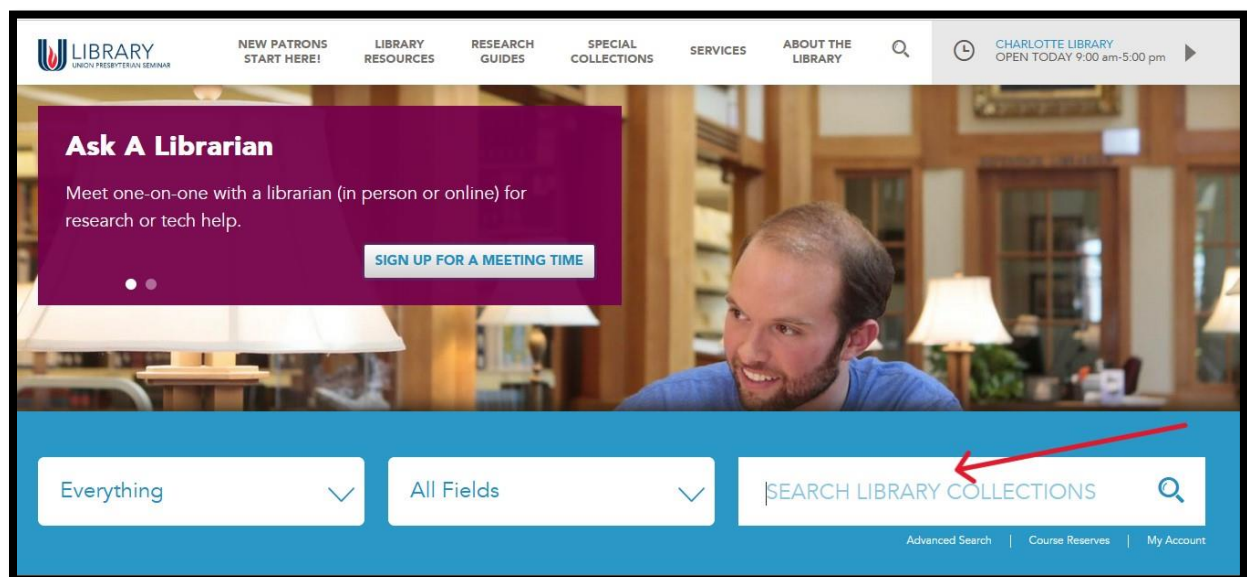
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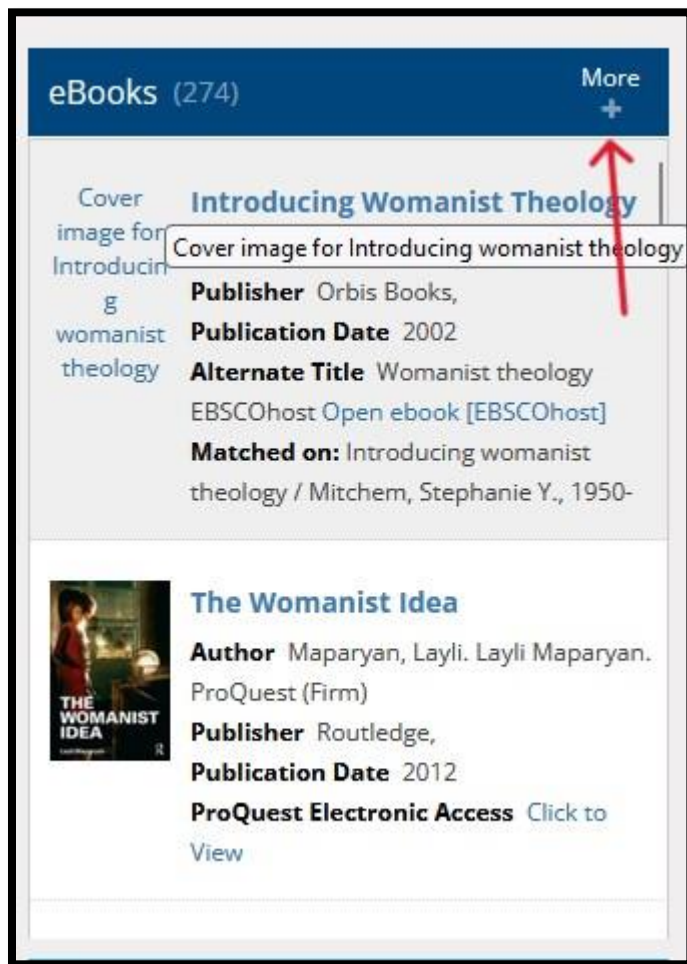
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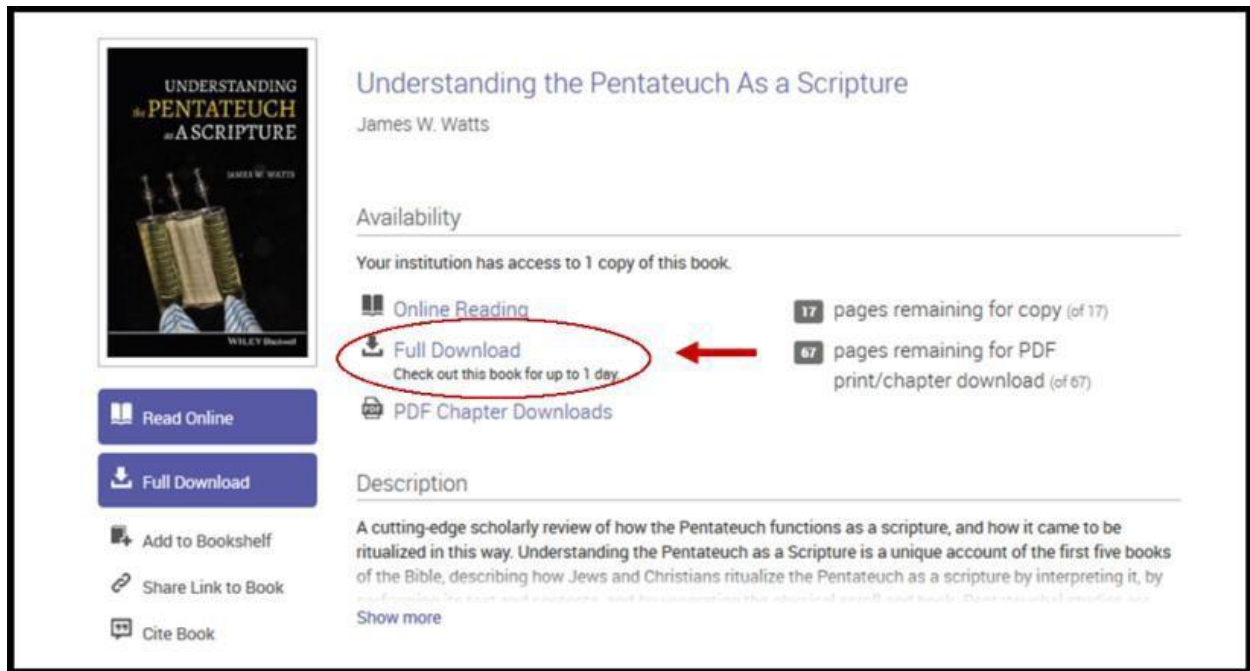
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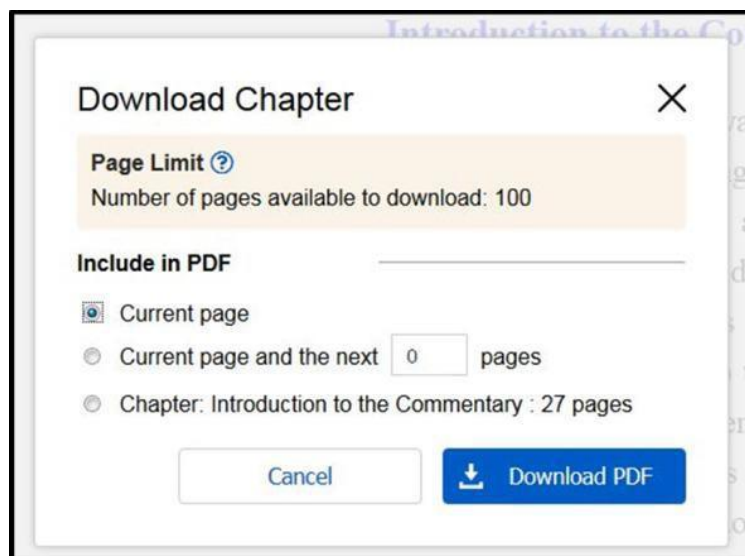
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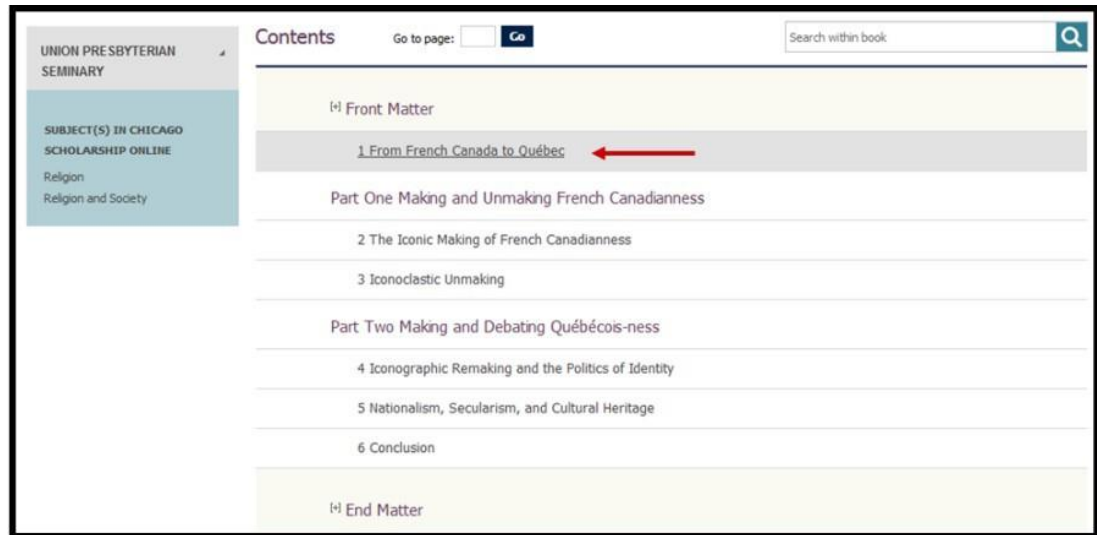
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Abstract

Isaac da Costa (1798–1860) was a pivotal figure in Dutch religious history, not only because of his remarkable conversion to Christianity, but first and foremost because of his vehement criticism of modern political, social, and religious ideas. His notorious publication *Bezwaren tegen de geest der Eeuw* (*Objections to the Spirit of the Age*, 1823) upset the liberal establishment of his day, including his great-uncle, the British political economist David Ricardo, who thought that his nephew—withstanding his excellent abilities—had come to ‘wrong conclusions, on points too which have long divided the world’. The pamphlet involves a fierce critique of Enlightenment values such as human autonomy and representative government. With the claims of free will and the supremacy of reason, modern man, according to Da Costa, would rather be a ‘godless and spiritless animal’ than dependent on God. As the chapter also addresses Da Costa’s criticisms of academic theology in Groningen and Leiden, it sketches a relevant part of Dutch academic theology at the time.

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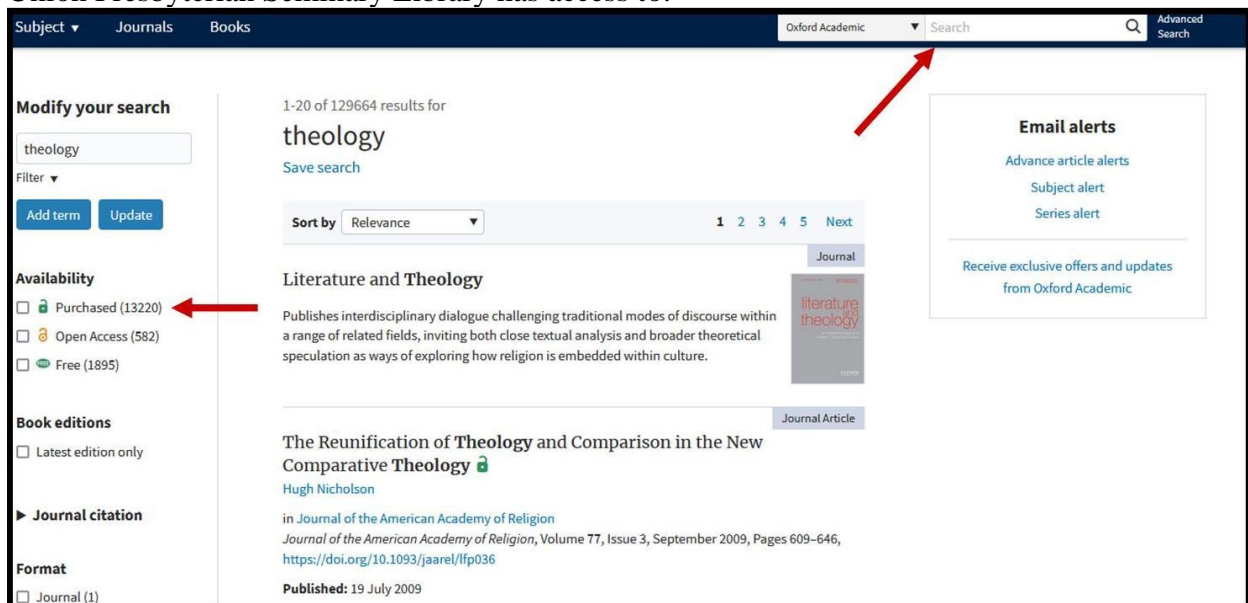
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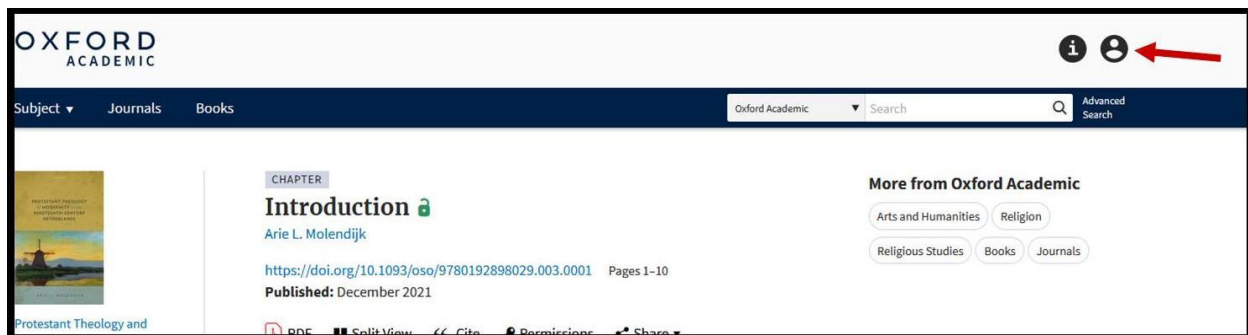


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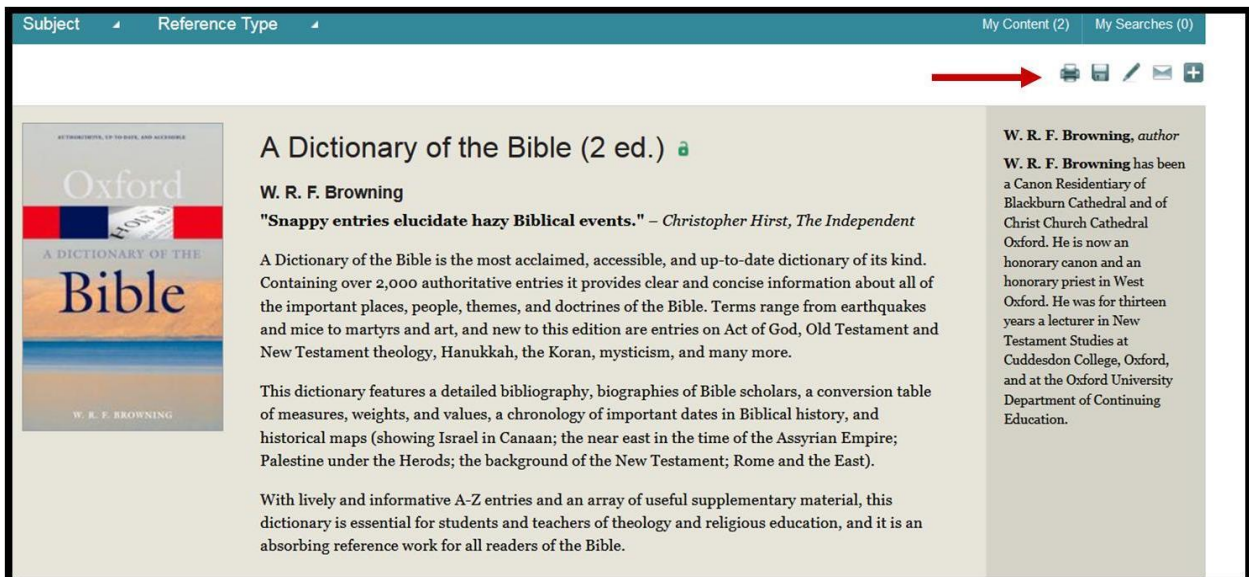
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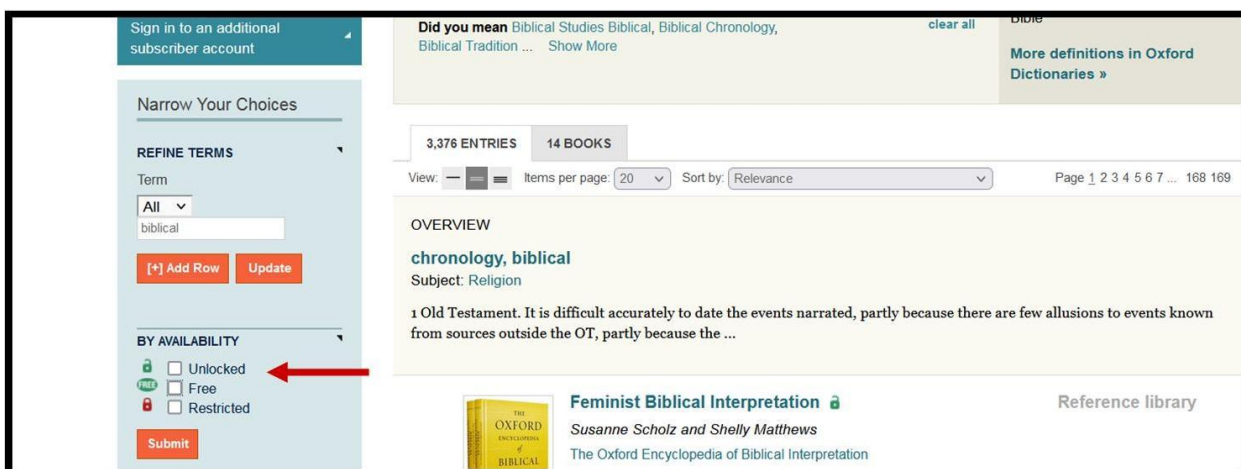
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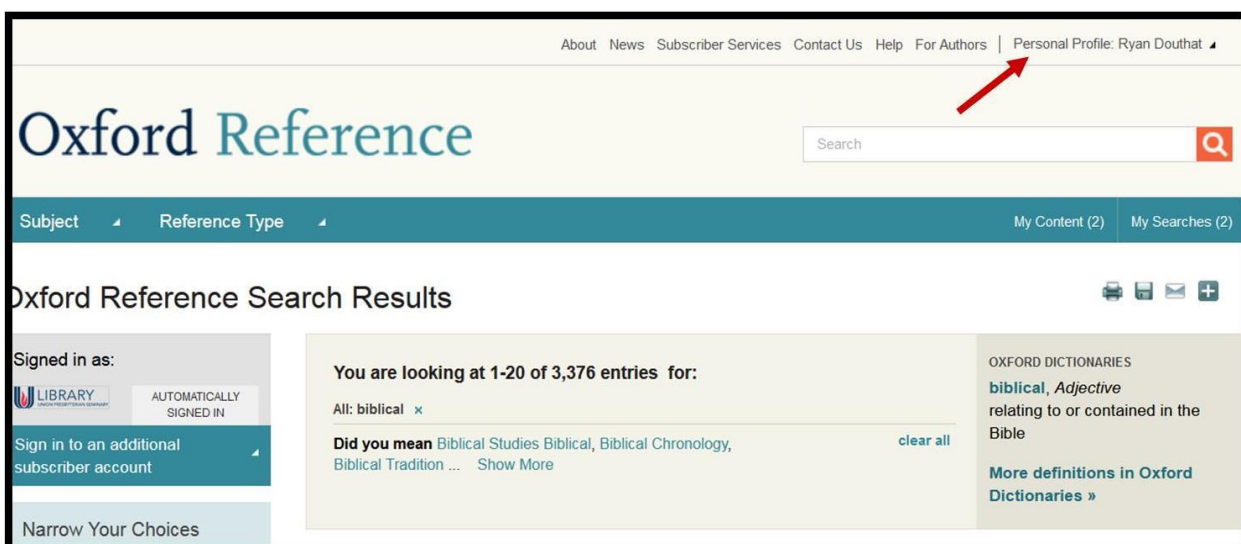
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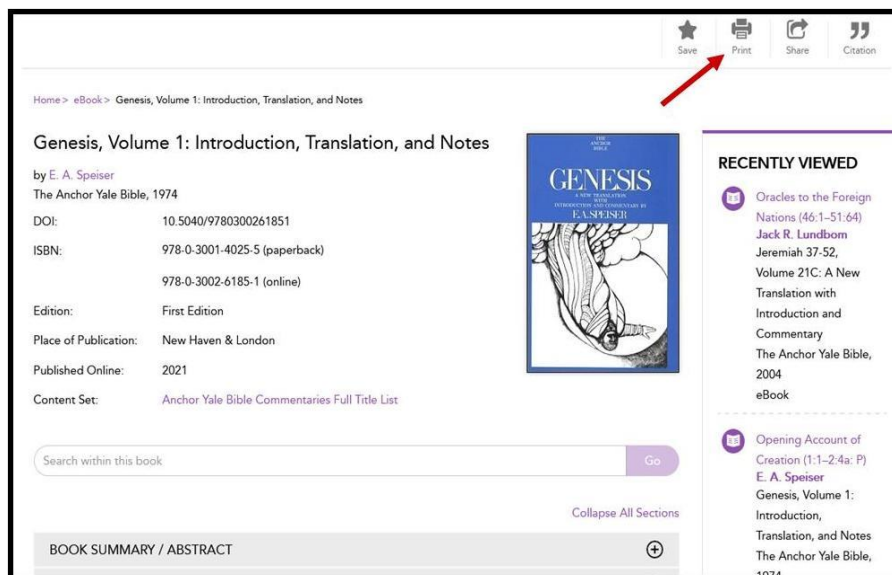
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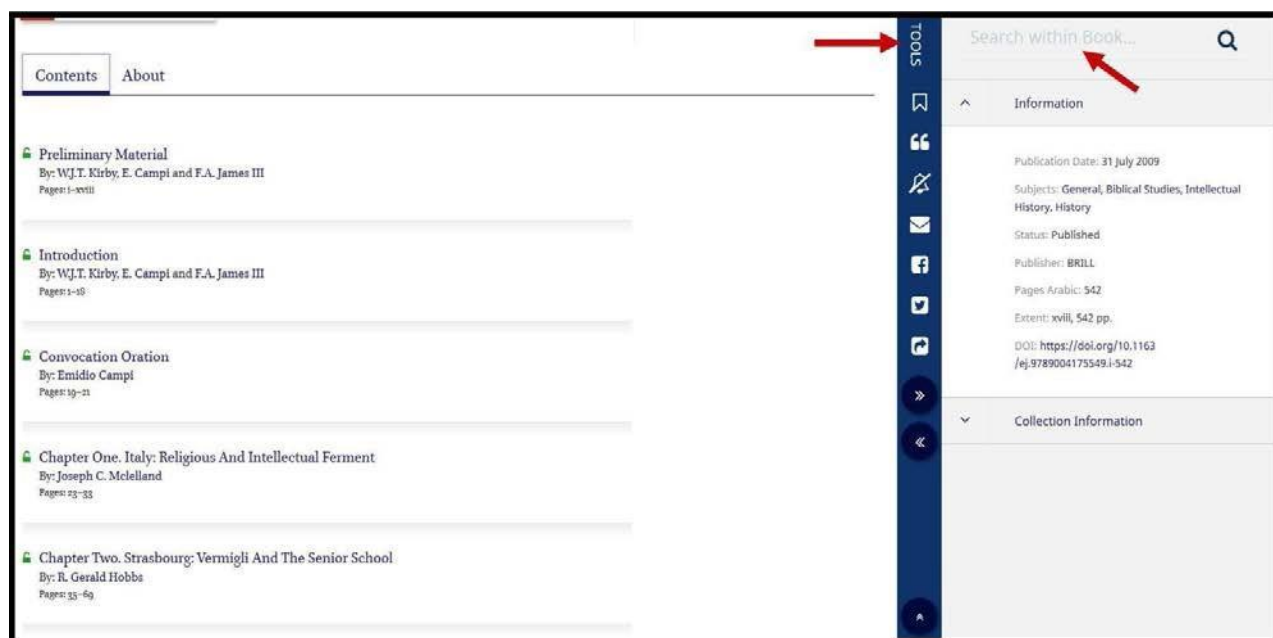
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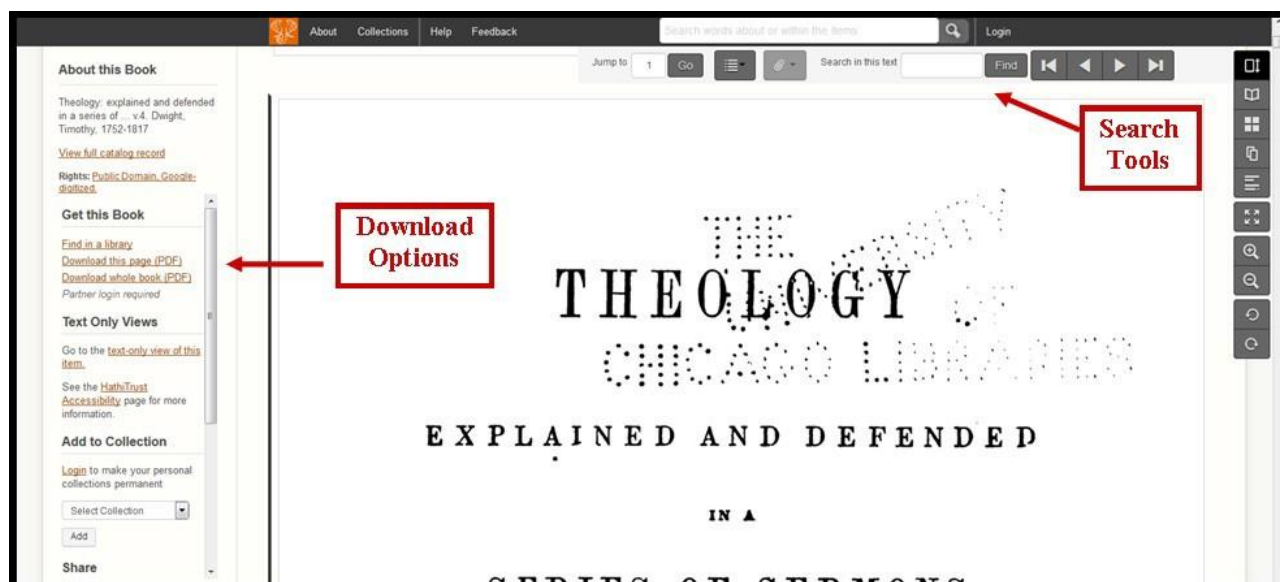
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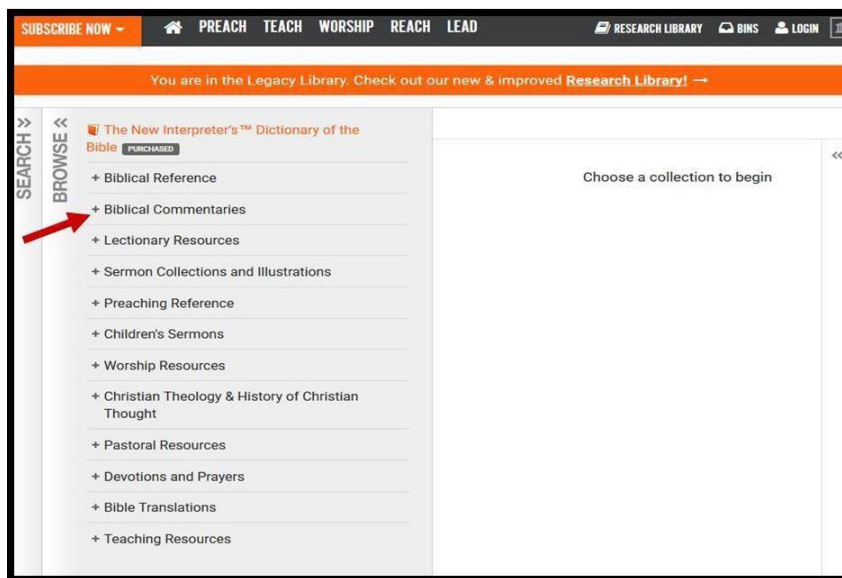
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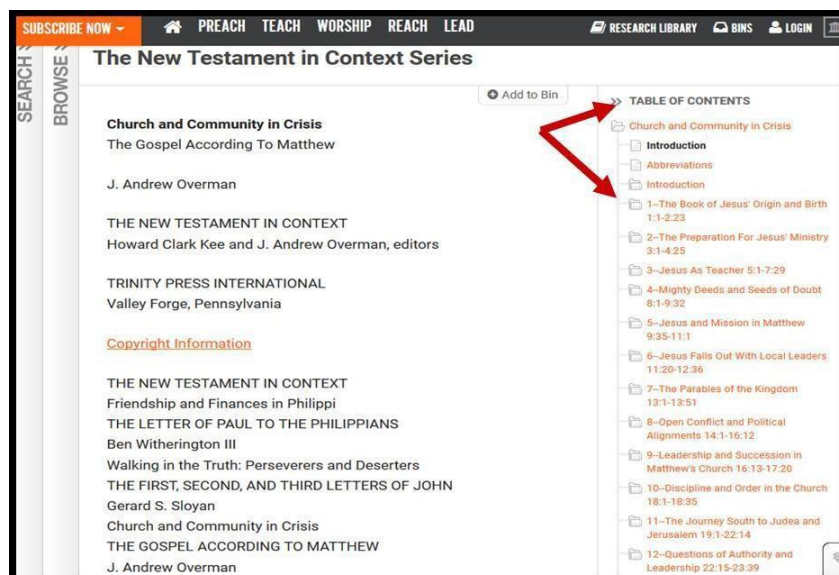
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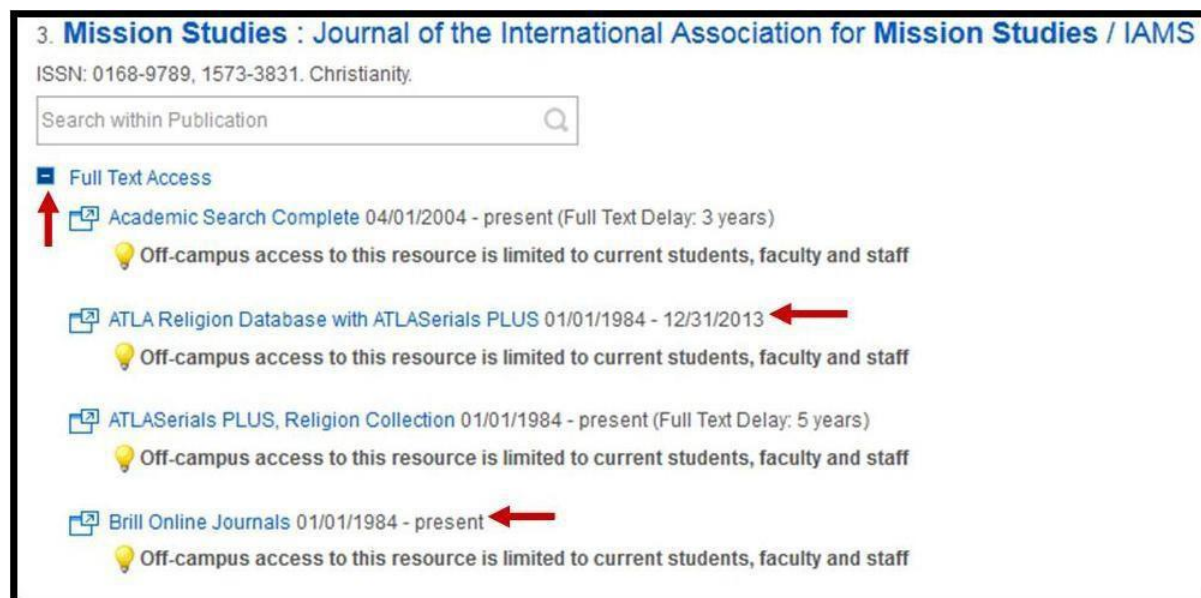
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Click on the **Search** button. You receive a set of articles dealing specifically with Egypt that were published in that periodical. If you prefer, you can also use the **Publications** option explained below.

Searching for a Specific Passage of Scripture in ATLA

The ATLA-RDB offers a unique method of searching the data store, one that is not found in any other EBSCOHost database. It's called the "Hierarchical Scripture Authority." This intimidating name actually indicates something with which all of our users are already familiar: it uses the canonical structure of the Bible itself to find verses in their Bible context. When you choose a verse using this method, you will retrieve the articles in the data store that include discussion of that verse, no matter how the passage or pericope is defined by the author of the article.

Using the "Hierarchical Scripture Authority"

On the Advanced Search screen, you will see a set of tabs along the top left edge of the screen. First, click on the tab marked **Scriptures**.

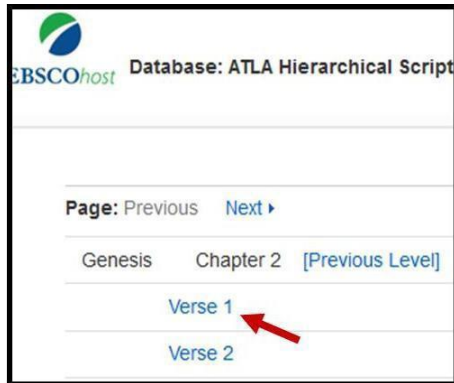


You see a list of the books of the Bible in canonical order. Let's suppose you are looking for articles discussing Genesis 2:1-4, the conclusion of the long creation narrative in Gen 1:1-2:1-4a. A complex citation like this is rather tricky to search for. But the **Hierarchical Scripture Authority** is just the tool for this type of search!

Next to Genesis, you see the word **Expand**. Click on that word.



First, it will offer you a list of all the chapters in the book of Genesis. If you click on **Expand** again next to Chapter 2, it will take you to the next level of detail — all the verses of Chapter 2. Choose a verse and click on it to initiate your search.



You receive a list of all the articles in this data store that concentrate upon the passage you are looking for. Please note that you can retrieve these articles even if the verse you chose is included inside a longer passage. Of course, scholars writing their articles or essays are free to define the passage as they wish. Some writers define the pericope as Genesis 1:1-2:4a, while others have chosen to discuss Genesis 1:27-2:24, or Genesis 2:1-3, or even a longer passage such as Genesis 1:1-6:8. Clearly, several of these choices do include the passage you want. Using this method, you can retrieve many relevant articles with a single search.

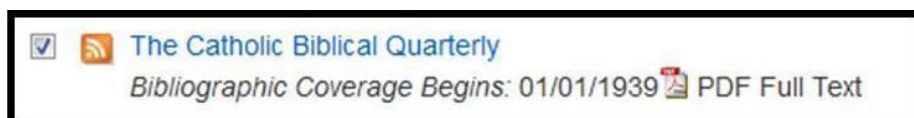
Find the Full Electronic Coverage for any Journal in the Database

Notice at the top of the search page, in the blue bar, a link labeled **Publications**. Click on that link.



You have two choices at this point: you can type in the name of a specific journal in the search box — such as *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*. If you click on the **Search** button you will get a huge set of all the articles published in that journal that are available in digital format through this database.

Or, you can use the A-Z list. Click on the letter **C**, and then scroll down the list to *Catholic Biblical Quarterly*. It shows the range of bibliographic coverage (articles cited in the database) and the range of full text coverage.



If you click on the journal's title, you will see the details about that periodical, including a list of the years (volumes) and issues available in full text, in a column down the right side of the screen. You can click on any issue to access the articles.

How to Change or Combine Databases

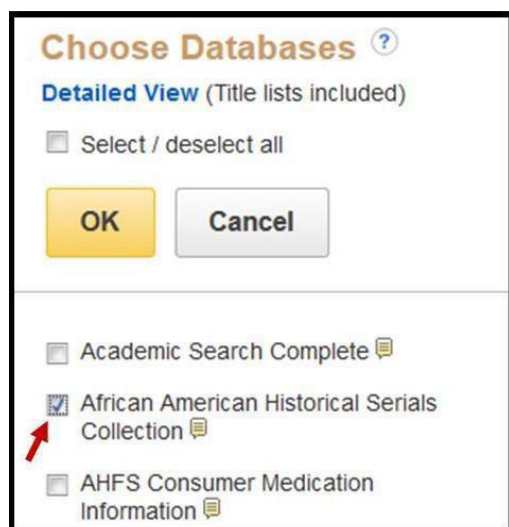
Almost everyone looking for these research tools will start from our **Library homepage**, and then click on **ONLINE DATABASES**, under the **LIBRARY RESOURCES** tab.

Once you have opened one of the EBSCO databases and started using it, you might decide to move to another and find out what that one has to offer on your topic. Or, you might like to select several of them and search them at the same time. Look for the small link saying **Choose Databases** in the search box near the name of the resource you are using.



Click on that link. You receive a dialogue box showing all of the online databases to which we subscribe from this vendor. We list only the most heavily used resources on our ONLINE DATABASE page, but as you can see, there are many more available in other disciplines and subject areas. Feel free to explore any of these. If your research interests overlap from the traditional religious studies areas into social science, medicine, humanities, etc., these resources could be most helpful.

Click in the little box beside each database you want, and then click on the button marked **OK**.

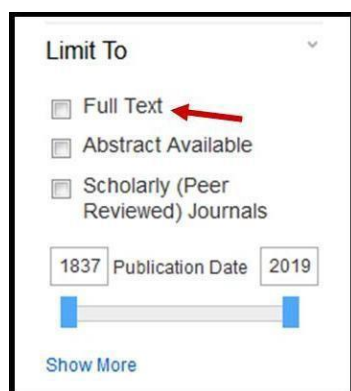


You will return to the search screen, where you can proceed with your work.

However, if you are doing a type of search that all of your databases share in common — an Author or Subject search, for instance — it will be able to query all of the resources at once and return a single set of results.

The “Refine Your Results” Box

Look at the options listed along the left side of the search results screen. Below the words **Refine Results**, you are offered several ways of eliminating records from your set and keeping the rest of them. Below the words **Limit To**, find the little box beside the words **Full Text**. Click in that box.



The screen will darken for a moment, while the display is updating. Then it will provide a new view of your search results.

Now, you notice that you have fewer records in your results list but all of them have full text options available that are designated by distinct icons. (Do bear in mind that you have

eliminated a lot of potentially valuable information, which you might want to go back and read later.)

Different digital formats

If a record has the **PDF Full Text** icon, this link will give you direct access to a scanned copy of the article or essay just as it appeared in the original publication. PDF is a superior digital format for this purpose; it's searchable by keyword, using the PDF file's own menus. It can be saved or printed easily. And the links to PDF files are very stable, so you can email records to yourself with a high degree of confidence that you will be able to open the record and read the article later (the link typically remains active for a week).

If the icon says **HTML Full Text**, that format is likewise very easy to read, although saving and printing require a bit more effort. The whole content of the article actually opens within the bib record, just like that. It also appears in the body of the email if you send that record to yourself. To print it or save it, however, you might need to copy the contents into a word-processing program such as MS Word.

Looking for Book Reviews in ATLA

A classroom assignment will often require you to find reviews of a certain book that were published in scholarly journals. The simplest way of doing this is to use the limiters on the lower half of the Advanced Search screen, below the words **Limit your results**.

There are many options available in this area: you can choose to bring up only articles available in full text online; only articles with abstracts; only articles published in peer-reviewed journals (as opposed to more popular publications); articles published between certain specified dates, and so on. There is also a box in which you can enter the title of a specific journal, which gives you another way to make that choice.

Notice the little box labeled **Publication Type**. If you scroll down that menu, you will find that **Review** is one of the options. Click on **Review** to select it.

In the Search boxes at the top of the screen, enter the title of the book for which you are seeking reviews. For example, suppose you need reviews of H. Richard Niebuhr’s pivotal work *Christ and Culture*. If you enter that title without limiting your search to book reviews, you will also retrieve lots of unrelated articles. But if you use this limiter, you will more efficiently retrieve a set of book reviews about this work.

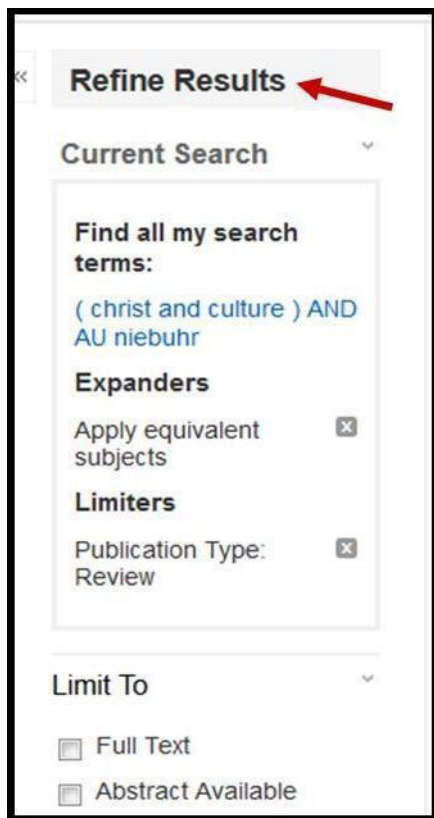
If you find that you are retrieving many records about other works with similar or related titles, you might want to add the name of the author to focus in precisely on the work you want.

Filtering a Large Set of Results

If the set of results you receive is way too big — hundreds, or even thousands of bib records — probably your search is just too general, and you need to add more terms to narrow your search. For example, if you search for *healing* as a subject, you are likely to get thousands of records, using the term in many different contexts. As you add terms, your target will become more and more specific.



This search will retrieve a workable set of records specifically about the Sabbath healing miracles of Jesus and their theological implications.



You also have several options for filtering your results after you make your search. On the search results screen, there is a column or sidebar on the left headed **Refine Results** offering you a number of choices for eliminating some records and keeping the rest.

Under **Refine Results**, you can keep only those articles that exist in full-text digital formats that you can read online. Or, you can limit by publication year, keeping only articles that appeared between 2012 and 2017, perhaps.

You can also filter by **Source Types** (academic journals or periodicals, books, media), or by the title of the journal in which the article appeared (under **Publication**). You can also use the Library of Congress Subject headings to push your search in a particular direction.

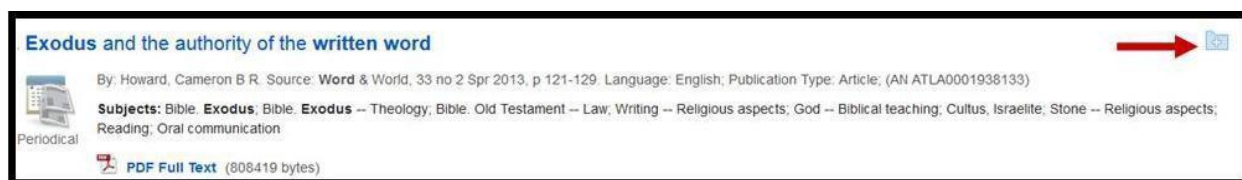
Click on the tiny v-shaped arrow symbol to expand and close these menus. Some of these may take a little practice to use effectively, so we encourage you to experiment with each of them.

Saving, Emailing or Printing Your Search Results

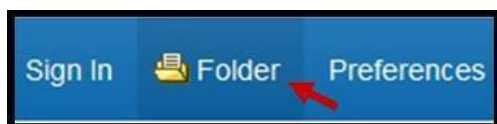
Once you have done a search and retrieved a lot of records, you might want to select some of them and keep them to use later. You have several options for saving or sending this information, and all of them start with the Folder function.

Add Records to Your "Folder"

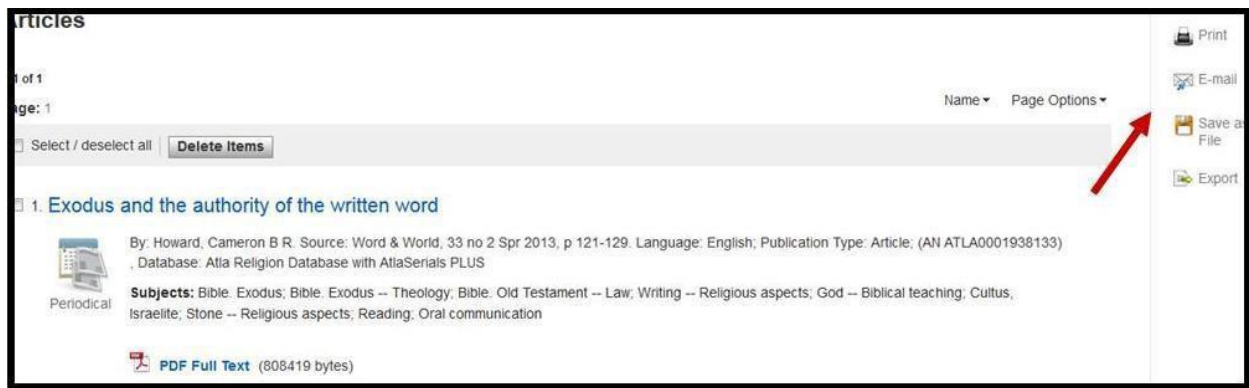
You will probably want to save only certain selected items from your results list, not everything. You can scroll down through your list, choosing the records that interest you most. To select a record, click on the blue icon that resembles a file folder, on the top far right top edge of the record. When you click on it, the icon will turn into a yellow folder with a piece of white paper in it.



Notice that the record shown above has a **PDF Full Text** icon with it. If the record you save has such a link, the link will also be saved, so that you can open the article itself later without having to repeat your search. You must develop an EBSCO account in order to save your searches. The folder will delete all of the information you wanted to save.



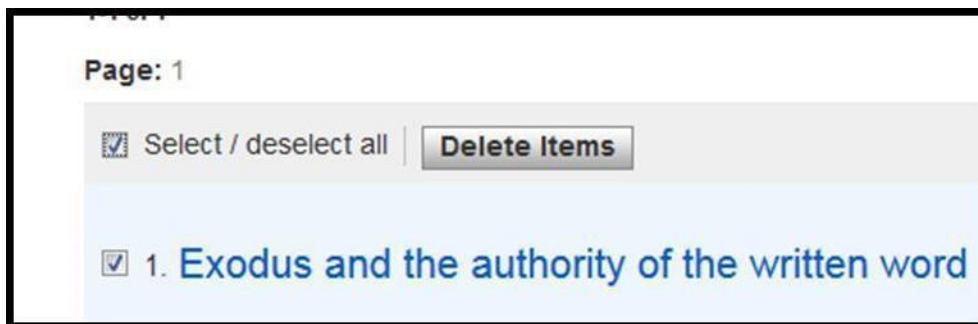
Now, look at the dark-blue bar across the very top of the screen. You will now see an icon resembling an open file folder, next to the word **Folder**. Click on it to go to your set of saved records.



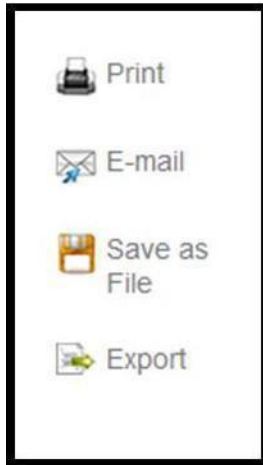
From the Folder, you will be able to do all of the other operations: **Print**, **Email**, **Save as File**, or **Export**. Click on one of those choices and follow the on-screen instructions. For help in sending or printing your selected records, see below.

Saving, Emailing or Printing Your Selected Records

Click on the **Folder** icon in the dark-blue bar to open the list of the items you have added to your folder. It may seem senseless, but to perform any operations on these records, you must select them AGAIN. You may either choose an individual record by clicking in the little box beside its title or look for the **Select / deselect all** heading near the top of the Folder and click there.



Next, look at the right edge of the screen, and you will see the options for the records you have chosen. You can **Print**, **Email**, **Save as File** or **Export** these records. The Print and Save options both depend upon the capabilities of your own internet browser.



To print your selected records, click on **Print**. You are offered many options for formatting the records according to various style conventions (Chicago/Turabian, MLA, etc), deciding how much of the record to include (Brief Citations instead of Detailed Citations, with or without Abstracts). Make the choices you prefer and click on the **Print** button. You will see a “print preview page,” and at this point, your browser will take over. Your browser opens the Windows print dialogue box (or the equivalent on a Mac), and that is the way you will perform the print function. Choose your print preferences and proceed.

To email your records, click on **Email**. You get the same set of formatting options, plus a set of boxes asking for your email address, a subject line, any comments, etc. You can also choose to add the full-text PDF of the article as a separate attachment if it's available. Fill in this information and click on the **Send** button. You can send the email to more than one address if you wish.

Include when sending:

☒ PDF as separate attachment (when available)

☐ Standard Field Format

Brief Citation

☒ Citation Format

Chicago/Turabian: Humanities

☐ Customized Field Format

Send

Typically, this database will send a separate email for each bib record. When you receive each message, you should be able to open the record by clicking on the “Persistent link.”



When you click on the “Persistent link” in the email message, the bib record will open in a browser window, and it will look a lot like the record shown above.

If you wish to use the **Save as File** option, you can save your search results to the hard drive of your machine or save them to a portable device such as a flash or “thumb” drive. The web browser you are using will control those functions.

The **Export** option is for people who are also using a bibliographic utility such as EndNote, ProCite or RefWorks. You can choose to send your selected records to yourself in one of these database formats.

To print, email or save a single record without placing it in a Folder, click on the title of the article to open its detailed record. Then, choose from the links along the right side of the detailed record display, and then follow the instructions above.

ACCESS TO STREAMING CONTENT

The Union Presbyterian Seminary Library offers streaming video collections from a variety of platforms each with their own unique search interface and content.

A good way to begin exploring our research databases is to hover over the **LIBRARY RESOURCES** menu heading on the Library website and then click **STREAMING COLLECTIONS**. The next screen provides a list of individual streaming video platforms to choose from. More information about each of these platforms is listed below. Films on Demand and Kanopy are the only platforms that require your OpenAthens credentials all other platforms are accessible with your Overdrive account credentials.



LIBRARY STREAMING COLLECTIONS LIST

[Films on Demand](#)

The Instructional Resource Center has secured streaming licenses from Films on Demand for use during the 2020-2021 academic year. This is a streaming collection that we have purchased through our membership in VIVA, Virginia's Academic Library Consortium. On-campus access is available to current students, faculty and staff while off-campus access is available via OpenAthens.

[Digital Theatre Plus](#)

The Instructional Resource Center has secured streaming licenses from Digital Theatre Plus for use. We have subscribed to this streaming collection through our membership in VIVA, Virginia's Academic Library Consortium. You can find the collection through [THIS LINK](#).

[Kanopy Films](#)

The Instructional Resource Center can secure streaming licenses from Kanopy for use during the 2020-2021 academic year. We license individual titles from this resource at your request. You can search for titles through the browse button or the [Kanopy catalog](#). On-campus access is available to current students, faculty and staff while off-campus access is available via OpenAthens.

[Hoopla](#)

Hoopla is a digital borrowing service for libraries that provides access to audiobooks, ebooks, music, movies, magazines and tv shows. Borrow and enjoy all of this digital content on any of your personal devices, including iPads, iPhones, Android devices, Nooks, Kindle Fire, PC, AppleTV, Roku, FireTV and Chromecast. Click [here](#) for access instructions.

[Audiobooks Through Overdrive](#)

We have thousands of audiobooks that can be streamed from most digital devices. These include both topical materials and fiction. If you are off campus, you can view these titles if you log into [Overdrive](#) or download Libby to your mobile device, then sign in using your library barcode and PIN.

ACCESS TO RESEARCH GUIDES

Our RESEARCH GUIDES page suggests books, eBooks, databases, articles, websites, digital resources and more to facilitate your work. Here is an alphabetical list of research guides that are currently available to distance education students and a brief description of what each guide offers.

Library Access and Services for Distance Students

<https://upsem.libguides.com/distanceeducation>

Provides an overview of essential resources and services for distance education students at Union Presbyterian Seminary. Introduces and guides distance students through access and use of the Library's databases, eBooks and digital reference resources. Also provides a number of useful quick links to the Library's research guides, Interlibrary loan services (ILL) and offers a suite of helpful video tutorials that introduce you to Library staff and essential services.

Accessing Hoopla

<https://upsem.libguides.com/hoopla>

This guide provides instructions for accessing Hoopla.

AI in the Classroom

<https://upsem.libguides.com/ai>

Artificial Intelligence programs are here to stay. We need to find ways to use them effectively, while ensuring that students learn the skills to read, research, and write at the UPSem standard.

Biblical Language Study Resources

<https://upsem.libguides.com/biblicallanguages>

This guide is a collection of reference sources at UPSem Libraries for studying biblical Hebrew and koine Greek. Most of these are in the Reference collection of the Richmond library; many are also available in the Charlotte library.

Biblical Studies

<https://upsem.libguides.com/bible>

Guides for courses that relate to the Old and New Testaments. Was developed to highlight library resources for researching and writing an Exegesis Paper. It also can be used to aid in the general understanding and reflection of the Bible.

Cannon Collection

<https://upsem.libguides.com/cannon>

This is a guide to resources that provide the underpinning of Womanist theology and ethics. Dr. Katie Geneva Cannon, beloved professor at Union Presbyterian Seminary from 2001 until her death in 2018, was "a foundational voice of womanist theology."

Center for Social Justice and Reconciliation

<https://upsem.libguides.com/csjr>

This guide has been created to support the mission of the Center for Social Justice and Reconciliation with a collection of extant digital and physical resources pertaining to the CSJR's areas of focus including: urban ministry concerns, social justice ministry concerns, contemporary issues, black church studies, LGBTQ ministry and justice issues, and evangelism from a social justice perspective. Each area of study has been given it's own unique page in the guide.

Christian Education

<https://upsem.libguides.com/mace>

These resource guides have been developed for the Master of Arts in Christian Education Program.

Copyright at the Seminary

<https://upsem.libguides.com/copyright>

It is the intent of Union Presbyterian Seminary ("UPSem" or "the Seminary") that all members of the Seminary community adhere to the provisions of the United States Copyright Law (Title 17, United States Code, Sect. 101, et seq.). The following policy statements and guidelines constitute a manual for anyone at the Seminary who wishes to use, reproduce, alter, or perform works that are protected by copyright. Since copyright protection applies to a variety of creative works -- printed materials, sound recordings, video recordings, visual artworks, computer software, and others -- the policy has been constructed to address issues related to particular types of media.

Digital Reference Resources at UPSem

<https://upsem.libguides.com/dig-ref>

The Union Presbyterian Seminary Library has a large collection of digital reference sources that reside on a number of vendor platforms. This guide brings together many of these sources in one guide, arranging them by reference categories including; Bible Commentaries, Dictionaries & Handbooks, Encyclopedias, Bibles & Concordances, Preaching & Lectionary Aids, Theologians and Writing and Style Guides.

Digital Streaming and Physical Audiovisual Media at UPSem

<https://upsem.libguides.com/streaming>

Union Presbyterian Seminary Library offers a variety of audio and visual streaming licenses to our faculty, staff and students. However, since each company organizes their content and access differently, we created this guide to help you navigate our offerings.

Exhibitions

<https://upsem.libguides.com/exhibits>

Research guides to give more information about the periodic art exhibitions hosted by the Union Presbyterian Seminary.

Finding and Using eBooks

<https://upsem.libguides.com/eBooks>

This guide highlights Union Presbyterian Seminary Library eBook collections as well as offering discovery and access instruction.

Global Christianity

<https://upsem.libguides.com/globalchristianity>

This guide is intended to provide an entry into research on Christianity as it is practiced on six of the world's seven continents. It was created in partnership with, and in order to serve the needs of, the [Syngman Rhee Global Mission Center for Christian Education](#), and will be updated continually.

Guide to Chicago Style for Seminarians

<https://upsem.libguides.com/chicago>

This guide was created to help students at Union Presbyterian Seminary learn how to format papers and properly cite sources in Chicago style, which is typically the style preferred in fields related to religious studies.

Guide to the Research Process

<https://upsem.libguides.com/research>

This guide provides an introduction to the skills needed to conduct general research.

In the Instructional Resource Center

<https://upsem.libguides.com/irc/home>

An introduction to the Library's Instructional Resource Center including some of the important resources and services it offers to Union Presbyterian Seminary students and faculty.

Internet Resources for Theology Students

https://upsem.libguides.com/theology_resources

This guide of web resources should be viewed as a supplement to the Library's resources. There are good resources online that are helpful to academic and ministry work. These have been organized by subject, rather than by website, so it will be easier to search. Most of the Bible and Reference resources listed are academic gateways that, while they may vary in scope, rigor, and currency provide extensive information by experts in the field.

Introduction to Theological Research

<https://upsem.libguides.com/c.php?g=1224150>

This guide is publicly accessible for anyone who would like to learn more about researching and critically evaluating sources, in seminary or in general. It also serves the 1-credit "Introduction to Theological Research" course as the site for homework.

Library Access and Services for Distance Students

<https://upsem.libguides.com/distanceeducation>

Library Collection Development and Access Policy

<https://upsem.libguides.com/cdap>

Ordination Examinations Preparation

<https://upsem.libguides.com/exams>

We have developed this guide to help you access our library resources for Ords prep at home. If you need anything else, we are still only a phone call away, so please let us know how we can help. Otherwise, the materials here should make your research, study and preparation time a little bit smoother.

Preaching and Worship

<https://upsem.libguides.com/praw>

Public Theology

<https://upsem.libguides.com/pt>

Research Bytes and Other Self-Guided Tutorials

<https://upsem.libguides.com/tutorials>

"Research Bytes" is a video series on some tenets of basic research skills that are designed to enhance our students information literacy.

Seminary Research Guides by Courses

<https://upsem.libguides.com/Index>

Supervised Ministry

<https://upsem.libguides.com/sm>

The Black Church in America

<https://upsem.libguides.com/BCA>

This guide contains resources for studying and researching the history, theologies, and present-day realities of Black churches and Black church culture in America.

The Church in the World

<https://upsem.libguides.com/churchintheworld>

Tips and Resources on Writing Well in Seminary

<https://upsem.libguides.com/c.php?g=924080>

This guide offers basic writing tips to help students make the transition to seminary education. Additional resources are listed for more in depth work.

Using ATLA Religion Database & ATLA PLUS

<https://upsem.libguides.com/atla>

A guide to the ATLA Religion Database and ATLAS Plus including instructions for; access, searching for scripture passages, selecting full-text articles, finding articles in specific journals, changing and combining databases, filtering results, looking for book reviews as well as saving, emailing and printing.

ACCESS TO INTERLIBRARY LOAN SERVICES

Interlibrary Loan (ILL) services are managed by our Technical Services department in Richmond. Mengistu Lemma is responsible for requests submitted by users and Jonathan Yates handles outgoing materials sent to other institutions. Generally speaking, all current students, faculty and staff of Union Presbyterian Seminary are eligible for ILL services. We recommend that others who wish to request materials not in our collection seek help at their local public Library or, if time is not of concern, send a request for the library to purchase the resource.



Our **Interlibrary Loan Request** form is provided at the bottom of the **Interlibrary Loan** page. You can use this form, or the form found in our catalog's bibliographic records, to place your requests. The information collected on these forms will be sent automatically to Mengistu Lemma.

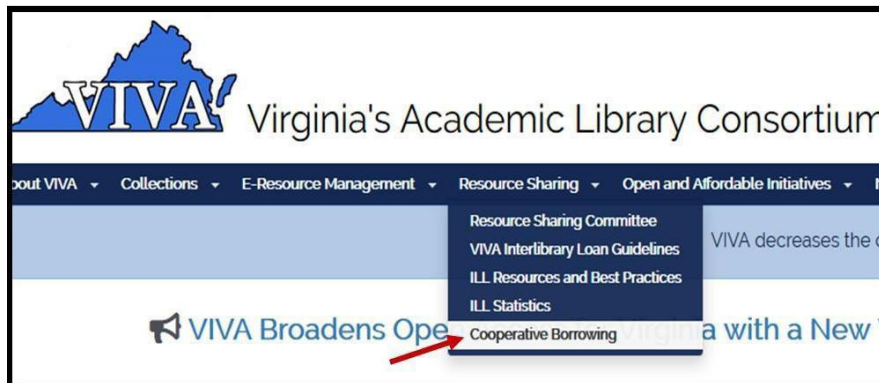
Details about ILL services can be found on the Library's website by hovering over **Services** from the top menu and then selecting **Interlibrary Loan** under **Richmond Campus Services**.

BORROWING FROM PARTNER LIBRARIES

VIVA Cooperative Borrowing Program

Faculty, staff and currently enrolled students of Union Presbyterian Seminary have the privilege of borrowing items on-site from any participating Library in the Commonwealth of Virginia. These libraries are members of VIVA, Virginia's academic Library consortium. For more information about VIVA and its member libraries, visit their website at <http://vivalib.org>.

For further information about the VIVA Cooperative Borrowing program as well as a list of VIVA Member institutions and their status in this program, please visit the VIVA Cooperative Borrowing Program website. From the home page select **Resource Sharing** from the top menu and click **Cooperative Borrowing** from the dropdown menu. Participating institutions may lend to borrowers from non-participating institutions at their discretion.



Patrons who wish to borrow media items from partner libraries should make those arrangements with the staff in our Instructional Resource Center.

The borrower will be responsible for returning all items when they are due, to the Library from which they were borrowed. The borrower will be liable for any overdue fines or other penalty charges.

Carolinas Theological Library Consortium

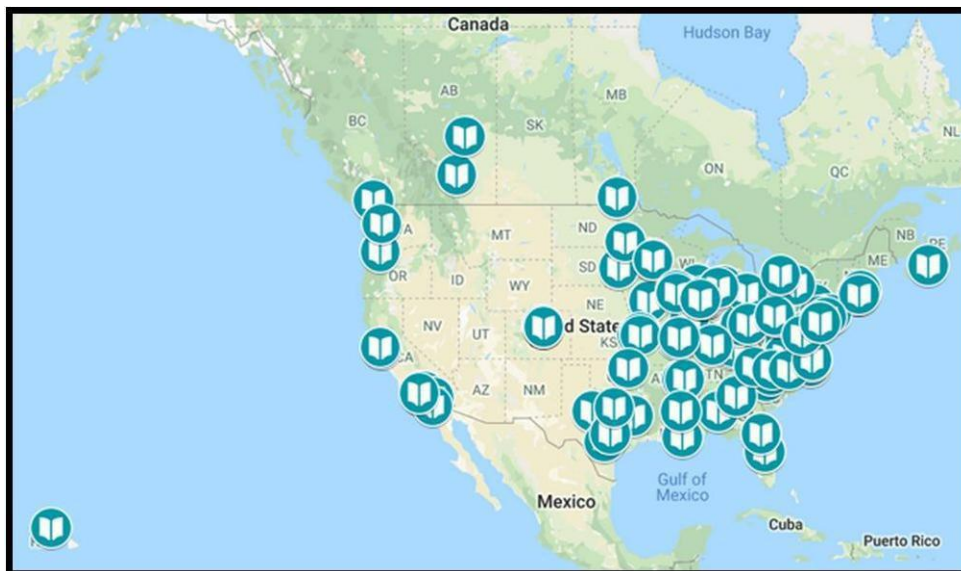
The Carolinas Theological Library Consortium (CTLC) was created to allow greater resource sharing among schools with theology and/or religion programs in the greater Charlotte, North Carolina area. It has grown over time to include institutions throughout North and South Carolina. Each school in the Consortium has agreed to abide by the following borrowing policies. Students are advised to have their current student identification with them to check out materials from another CTLC library.

- Circulating library materials may be borrowed by duly certified faculty, students, and staff of CTLC member schools and organizations from any CTLC member library in accordance with the borrowing regulations of the lending library.
- Borrowers are responsible for learning circulation and access regulations at the respective institution's library. Borrowers agree to be governed by these regulations.
- Patrons need to borrow books in person. Libraries are not expected to answer telephone queries or provide materials by mail, except for inter-library loans requested through standard ILL request forms.
- Users of any CTLC library are subject to all fines, rules, and regulations of the servicing library. Patrons will be notified of overdue material by the library from which the library material was borrowed.

Atla Reciprocal Borrowing Program

The Atla Reciprocal Borrowing Program creates an arrangement between participating North American Atla Institutional Members to grant check-out privileges to each other's patrons/students. A patron/student walks into a participating Library, shows proof of current enrollment at another participating Library, and checks out materials based on the Library's local lending policies.

For more information and for a spreadsheet of participating libraries, visit the ATLA Reciprocal Borrowing webpage at <https://www.atla.com/learning-engagement/member-projects-and-programs/reciprocal-borrowing>.



Map of ATLA Reciprocal Borrowing Program Participating Libraries

BOOKS BY MAIL SERVICE

Union Presbyterian Seminary students and faculty members may request Library books by mail in the following two ways:

Books by Mail to the Charlotte Library

Charlotte students and faculty members may request that books be mailed from the Richmond Library to the Charlotte Library (free of charge) by placing a hold on the book that they require. The “hold” option is located just to the right of the book title in the Library’s online catalog. After selecting the hold button, users will be asked to enter their library card barcode number and PIN. The requested book should be available for the student to check out at the Charlotte Library within 3-5 days. If Charlotte students and faculty members have questions about this service, they may contact the Director of Public and Electronic Services Ryan Douthat at 804-278-4217 or rdouthat@upsem.edu.

Books by Mail to a Residential Address

Students who live 40 or more miles from the Seminary’s campuses and are enrolled for credit in an online or hybrid course may request that Library books be mailed directly to the student’s residential address. If special conditions require all courses to be held online or for either campus library to be closed temporarily, eligibility for this service may be extended to additional students.

Requests for books to be mailed directly to students should be submitted by email to either the Reference Librarian in Richmond ([Mengistu Lemma](#), for resources based in Richmond) or to the Interim Library Director in Charlotte ([David Mayo](#), for resources based in Charlotte). If a student requests a book by mail that is in the Charlotte collection, it will be mailed from Charlotte; books mailed from Richmond will be books that are only available at Morton Library. In addition to facilitating this service, the Reference Librarian and Charlotte Library Director may suggest alternative ways of accessing the content that is needed, including digital scanning if 10% or less of a book is needed. Furthermore, the Reference librarian and Charlotte Library Director may help determine whether Borrowing from Partner Libraries ([Atla, VIVA, or CTLC reciprocal borrowing participants](#)) or other academic libraries is an option where the student lives.

The following conditions apply to requests of this type:

1. Only books that are in circulation are eligible to be mailed in this way. Non-circulating books, non-book materials, and books that are also available as e-books in the Library catalog will not be mailed directly to a residential address.
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