

Databases for HSC Students

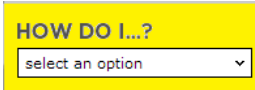
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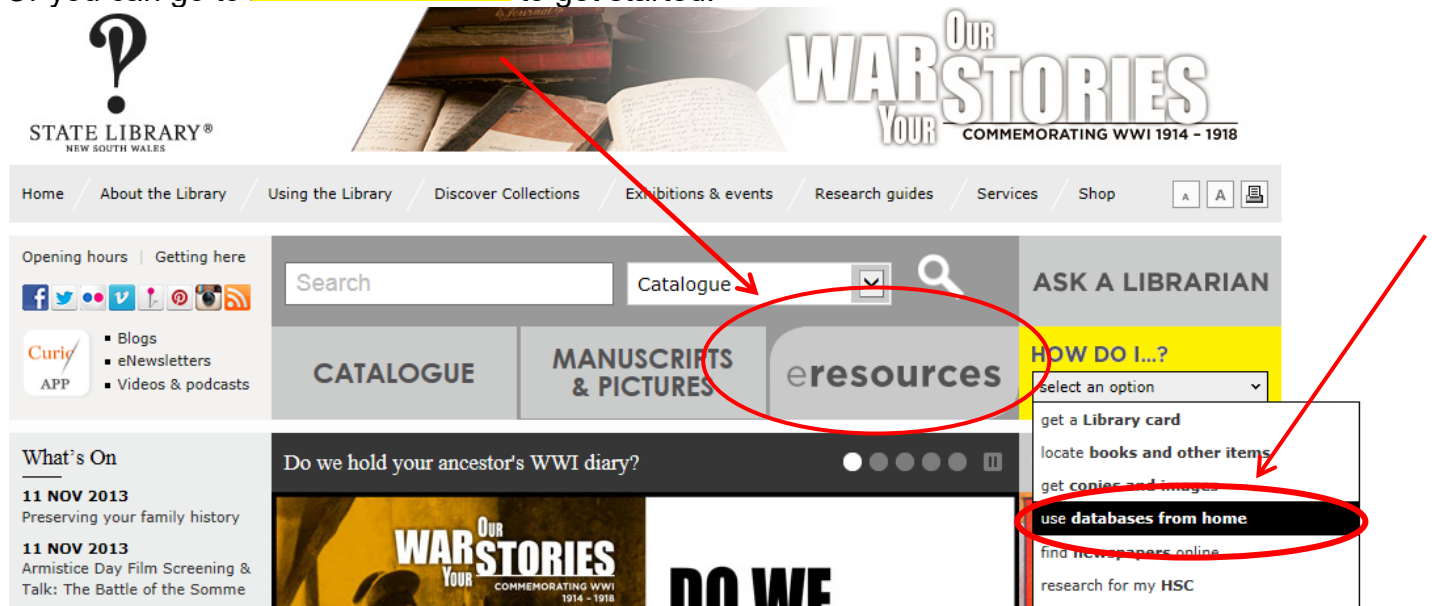
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USING OUR ELECTRONIC RESOURCES FROM HOME (NSW residents only)

You can use most of our electronic resources from home. Many of these resources will take you to articles on a variety of topics.

Go to our home page, click on  Log in to the database you want to use, entering your Library card number.

Or you can go to  to get started.



The screenshot shows the State Library NSW website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links like 'Home', 'About the Library', 'Using the Library', 'Discover Collections', 'Exhibitions & events', 'Research guides', 'Services', and 'Shop'. Below this is a search bar and a 'Catalogue' dropdown menu. The 'eresources' button is circled in red. To the right, there is a 'HOW DO I...?' dropdown menu with a list of options: 'select an option', 'get a Library card', 'locate books and other items', 'get copies and images', 'use databases from home', 'find newspapers online', and 'research for my HSC'. The 'use databases from home' option is circled in red. The background features a banner for 'OUR WAR STORIES YOUR' commemorating WWI 1914-1918.

PROQUEST

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What is Proquest

Proquest is recommended for: Modern and Ancient History (Extension and Standard), English, Society and Culture, and Family and Community Studies.

ProQuest provides online access to a wide range of international journal articles and information covering social sciences and humanities, education, law, criminology, film studies, health, medicine, accounting and economics, business, management, drug information, and sport.

Relevant Databases

Proquest Research Library, Proquest Social Science journals, Proquest Historical Newspapers
Proquest also includes access to newspapers from the United States, England, Scotland, Ireland and India, through *Proquest Historical Newspapers*, these papers cover the years 1791-2007 and can provide you with first hand accounts of historical, political and social events. Proquest also includes *Australia and New Zealand Newsstand* for current Australian newspapers.

Search Tips

Enter your search terms, and be as specific as possible. If you only want to find full text articles tick the **full text** box.

Combine search terms with **AND**, **OR** and **NOT** to focus your search. To search for a phrase of more than two words, use quotation marks. Select the **advanced search** to narrow your search further. You can select a database relevant to your query and specify a date range by choosing the drop down arrow and selecting a date range that is relevant.

JSTOR

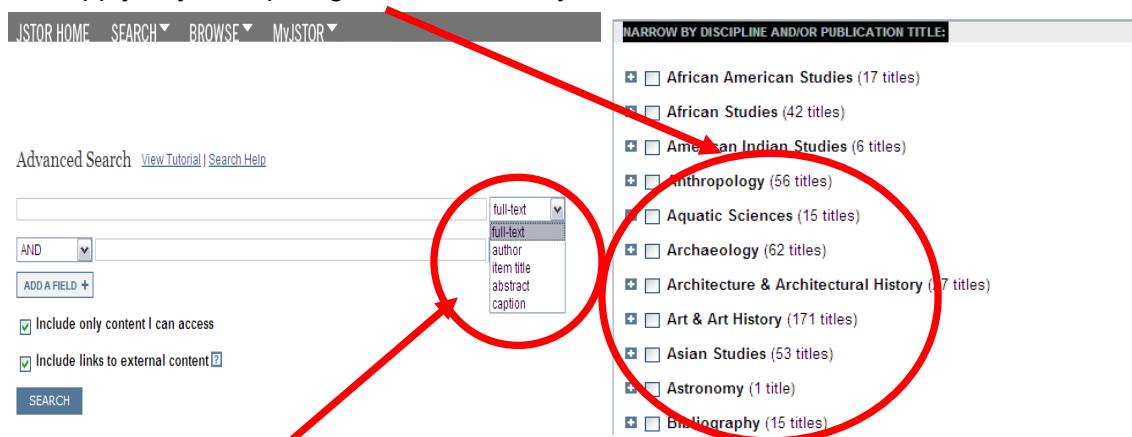
What is JSTOR

JSTOR is recommended for students studying Modern & Ancient History, Society & Culture, Family & Community Studies and anything to do with social sciences. JStor is particularly useful for history and extension students.

The JSTOR database is an electronic archive providing full text of back copies of non-current issues of over 1000 scholarly journals, 1 million images, letters, and other primary sources across over forty disciplines, mainly in the social sciences and humanities. You will not find newspapers and popular magazine articles in this database.

Search Tips

Type any keywords that describe your topic in the search box. Click on **advanced search** if you want other options. If you want to narrow your search, click on the small empty boxes beside all the disciplines that apply to your topic eg. Art & Art History



In the Advanced search screen, you can search in five different ways

Full-Text will search for the entered word/term throughout the article; in the title, text, and even the subject of the article (Each article may have one or more subject terms)

Author searches for the author and **Item title** searches for the entered words only in the title of the article. **Abstract** will search for the entered terms within the abstract, and **Caption** performs an image search. Searches for the entered words only within the caption, therefore it will limit your search to only articles with pictures.

INFORMIT

What is Informit

Informit is recommended for students studying Australian topics. It is particularly useful for Society & Culture, History & Indigenous studies.

Informit is an Australian database for subjects such as Arts, History, Indigenous & Social Sciences. Articles date from 1970 to the present

Relevant Databases

Useful databases include MAIS-Multicultural Australia and Immigration Studies, FAMILY- Australian Family & Society Abstracts Database and APA-FT Australian Public Affairs Information Service.

Search Tips

Click on **select all** to search across all subject areas and then click on continue.

Click in the box **Also Search Full Text of Articles** to search for complete articles (not just a summary).