BONUS+ : A new service for requesting books from other libraries

What is BONUS+?
BONUS+ is a new service that enables library clients (staff, undergraduate and postgraduate students) to borrow books from selected Australian and New Zealand university libraries.

Placing a request
All requests for books from participating BONUS+ libraries are placed on through the central BONUS+ catalogue.

This can be done by:
- Searching for books directly through the BONUS+ catalogue at bonus.newcastle.edu.au/or
- Searching for a book in the QUT Library Catalogue. If you cannot find the book you are looking for, or if the book you want is unavailable (all copies are out on loan), you can click on the BONUS+ link to check if the book is available at one of the BONUS+ participating libraries.

Items showing as AVAILABLE at QUT cannot be requested from BONUS+. Once you have found a book to request in the BONUS+ catalogue simply select the Request this item link and follow the prompts.

More information is available at www.library.qut.edu.au/services/delivery/bonusplus.jsp

This new service complements QUT Library’s two other options for obtaining material not held by QUT Library - QUT Library’s Document Delivery Service (www.library.qut.edu.au/services/delivery/docdel.jsp) and the Griffith University request service (www.library.qut.edu.au/services/delivery/griffithuni.jsp).

If you have any questions about BONUS+ please don’t hesitate to contact me (n.prasolova@qut.edu.au).

Disciplines: Biogeoscience, Cell & Molecular Biosciences, Medical Sciences and Pharmacy

Australian National Data Service (ANDS)

The Australian National Data Service (ANDS) www.ands.org.au aims to:
- influence national policy in the area of data management in the Australian research community
- inform best practice for the curation of data
- transform the disparate collections of research data around Australia into a cohesive collection of research resources

Research Support (Division of Technology, Information and Learning Support)

www.tils.qut.edu.au/initiatives/researchsupport/index.jsp
Community of Science (COS) Funding Opportunities database

QUT Library now provides access to Community of Science (COS) Funding Opportunities. This is a comprehensive database of international and Australian funding opportunities schemes from public agencies, national and local governments, and private sector sponsors around the world, and includes opportunities in all academic discipline areas.

It provides over 24,000 records representing over 400,000 funding opportunities, worth more than $33 billion in grants, fellowships, prizes, and more.

Access via www.library.qut.edu.au/db/5421f

The COS interface provides search features including search fields and limiters. A useful feature is setting up a profile to generate a weekly funding alert via email. To set-up an alert simply click Save Search at the top of any results screen and choose to get email alerts with new information that matches your saved searches.

All versions of COS Funding News are also available as an RSS feed, so that you can receive the latest COS Funding News information using, for example, Google Reader, or any other RSS reader. You can subscribe to an RSS feed on the respective COS Funding News page.

Book requests: Please send

There are still sufficient funds available to purchase monographs/books for all the Disciplines.

Please indicate also if there are any areas of the coursework monographs collection you think need developing.

If you would like to make a request for a resource...

1. Please e-mail details to Dr Nina Prasolova (n.prasolova@qut.edu.au)
2. Please indicate whether the title is for teaching or research needs
3. If the title is relevant to teaching needs, please provide a unit code for which the title is relevant
4. Please let me know if you require more information on any of the titles before requesting them.

I will then consider ordering one copy for the general collection (4 week loan). If you would like multiple copies please specify.

Thank you kindly for your input into QUT Library collection development.

Interesting articles

University rankings smarten up/ Declan Butler
| Nature 464, 16-17 (2010) | doi:10.1038/464016a

Systems for ranking the world's higher-education and research institutions are about to become more sophisticated.


Metrics: A profusion of measures/Richard Van Noorden

Metrics: A profusion of measures
Scientific performance indicators are proliferating — leading researchers to ask afresh what they are measuring and why. Richard Van Noorden surveys the rapidly evolving ecosystem.


Academic Ranking of World Universities 2010 is out
www.arwu.org/index.jsp

Australian universities summary:
Travel Writing, Spectacle and World History: short-term trial until September 16th, 2010

*Travel, Writing, Spectacle and World History* contains unique manuscripts, diaries, travel journals, correspondence, photographs, postcards and ephemera. Topics including the reason for travel have been captured and where available biographical information and a photograph of the traveller are included. All the printed and typescript items are full text searchable.


**IMPORTANT:** To access this database follow these steps:

1. From the dropdown menu in the login section on the right select Travel Writing, Spectacle and World History
2. Click IP address
3. Click LOG-IN >

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Oxford History of Western Music: short-term trial until October 31st, 2010

*The Oxford History of Western Music* offers an unmatched narrative account of the evolution of Western classical music and its institutions by one of the most prominent and provocative musicologists of our time, Richard Taruskin.


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Prezi: an alternative to PowerPoint
Presentations: create interesting presentations live and on the web

Prezi <prezi.com> is a web-based presentation application and storytelling tool that uses a single canvas instead of traditional slides. Text, images, videos and other presentation objects are placed on the infinite canvas and grouped together in frames. The canvas allows users to create non-linear presentations, where they can zoom in and out of a visual map. A path through different objects and frames can be defined, representing the order of the information to be presented. The presentation can be developed in a browser window, then downloaded so that an internet connection is not needed when showing the presentation (Prezi. (2010, August 26). In Wikipedia, The Free Encyclopedia. Retrieved September 7, 2010, from [http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Prezi&oldid=381203635](http://en.wikipedia.org/w/index.php?title=Prezi&oldid=381203635))