Library Resources Tutorial  
Spanish 2200 – Latin American Culture  
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▲ Use the Dalhousie University Libraries website to link to many valuable resources  
<http://www.library.dal.ca>

I. Novanet

Novanet is Dalhousie's online catalogue. It is a database of the books, journals, government documents and media held by the Dalhousie University Libraries as well as most other post-secondary institutions in Nova Scotia. Records have direct links to many electronic sources (especially ejournals) held by these libraries as well as direct links to other items in Novanet on the same subjects or by the same authors.

Novanet Library Application Forms - Faculty and students new to Dalhousie: take a completed form with your Dal picture ID card to the Service Desk at any Dalhousie library to activate your library account. This allows you to sign out circulating books and government documents, use the Document Delivery Services and use Novanet Express.

Demos:  Novanet

Demo:  Search Novanet to see if Killam owns a copy of The Autumn of the Patriarch, by the Colombian writer Gabriel García Márquez.

Search:  
Browse for [The Autumn of the Patriarch] in Title
If the Killam copy is signed out, how do I get a copy from another Novanet Library? Find the Novanet record for Killam's copy. Find other books by García Márquez.

Demo:  I need to write an essay on the artist Frida Kahlo. I'd like to look at a few books about Kahlo but only if they are in English.

Advanced Search:  
Under LOCATION, select Dal Killam  
Under Language, select English  
Search for [Kahlo] in Subjects  
Results: 10 in September 2015  
Try search again, at NSCAD this time

Demo:  I'd like to read articles in the serial Hispanic Review. Does the Library subscribe to this magazine?

Click on Journals/Serials

Browse for [Hispanic Review] in Title  
Click on (Title) (1) from the result title list; follow the links.

[Hint: Serial=journal, magazine, newspaper ; any title published serially or on a regular schedule]
Follow the links to find issues of Hispanic Review which is available electronically. ProQuest sells the Library this subscription as part of the database Research Library, as does Ebsco through Academic Search Premier. It is also received through JSTOR and Project Muse, as well as PAO.

Read the fine print, always.
Look at the table of contents.
Look at full text of article.

II. Print Reference Sources

You will find many useful reference books, including multivolume sets of specialized encyclopedias, in the Stewart Room in the Learning Commons South. Here are a few English language reference books which will help you do research for this class:

- Encyclopedia of Mexico (2 vols.) F 1210 E63 1997 REF
- The Oxford Encyclopedia of Mesoamerican Culture (3 vols.) F 1218.6 O95 2001 REF
- Encyclopedia of Contemporary Latin American and Caribbean Cultures (3 vols.) F 1406 E515 REF
- Latin American History and Culture (6 vols.) F 1406 E53 2008 REF
- Dictionary of Literary Biography
  v.113 Modern Latin-American Fiction Writers (1st series) PN 451 D5 REF
  v.145 Modern Latin-American Fiction Writers (2nd series)
- Encyclopedia of Latin American Literature PQ 7081 A1 E56 REF
- Latin American Writers (4 vols.) PQ 7081 A1 L37 1980 REF
- Literary Cultures of Latin America (3 vols.) PQ 7081 A1 L525 2004 REF
- Spanish American Women Writers PQ 7081 S62 1990 REF

Remember: If the Dalhousie Libraries do not own the item you want, you can use Novanet Express to have books or articles sent from other Novanet Libraries to the Dalhousie library of your choice. If the item is not available at any Novanet library, you can use the Libraries’ Document Delivery service to order it.

III. The Libraries Subject LibGuides:

From the home page, under Subject Guides choose Arts & Humanities then Latin American Studies to find Key Databases and Recommended Web Sites.

Researchers need databases to search for articles published in academic or scholarly journals or magazines and newspapers. Dal Libraries subscribe to over 100 databases. The databases listed here will be of particular help to students in this course.

Demo: Use the database MLA Bibliography to find full-text articles in scholarly journals on the Colombian writer Gabriel Garcia Marquez.
Demo: Use LANIC to identify Latino cinema resources.

Demo: Use Newspapers LibGuide to identify material concerning the end of the Allende regime in Chile.

IV. Other Useful Links on the Dal Libraries Webpage

- Locations
  - Killam Library
- Services
  - Document Delivery
- Writing & Style Guides
  - MLA Style
  - RefWorks

V. Reference & Research Assistance

Consult the staff at the KLSP in the Killam Lobby for any information you need. We can help you:

- develop a research strategy
- select appropriate databases
- refine your search of Novanet

KLSP Research Assistance Hours

Monday - Wednesday 11am - 8pm
Thursday & Friday 11am - 5pm
Saturday & Sunday 1pm - 4pm

Note: Reference hours are reduced when classes are not in session.

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