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Introducing Novanet

Novanet is a consortium of academic libraries in Nova Scotia which share a common online library catalogue.

Your student ID card allows you to borrow materials from any Novanet library.
Search the Novanet catalogue to identify and locate books, eBooks, full text articles, audio visual materials and more at Saint Mary’s and other Novanet libraries.

Novanet Classic refers to an older version of the catalogue. The classic version does not allow for article searching.
Searching for Books
To begin a search, select the “Books” tab and enter your keywords in the search box. Then, click “Find”.

endangered species

Then, click “Find”
Your keywords

Total results for books

Books selected

Tweak (i.e., filter or limit) your search results.
Results will be sorted by relevance. Click the down arrow to sort by other options.
Any filters that you have applied are displayed here.

Remove filters by clicking the “x”.
Note: If you begin a new search, you will have to reapply filters.

You can filter results to items held at SMU or another Novanet library.
You can filter your search results in several different ways... by Resource Type (articles, books, etc.), Library, Author/Creator, Creation Date, and more.

Select “Show More” to view additional limit options.

To limit the search by date.
Each item in your search results will contain brief information about the book (i.e., title, author, date), as well as location and availability information. For more information about the book, click on the book’s title to view the detailed record.

Endangered species recovery: finding the lessons, improving the process
Clark, Tim W.; Reading, Richard P.; Clarke, Alice L.
c1994

Available at Saint Mary's University General Collection (QL 84.2 E55 1994)
You may need to scroll down the page to view the complete record. Or, select one of these options to go to a particular section of the record.

To return to the Results list.
For more information about the content of a book, click on the DETAILS link.

Here you may see subject headings, a description of the book including table of contents, publication information, and other details.
The call number indicates the physical location of the book on library shelves.

If a book has a call number it means that the book is available in print (paper) format, as opposed to an e-book that you would view online.
If a book is not available at Saint Mary’s, but is available at another Novanet library, click on the Available link.

This will take you to the detailed record where you can view availability information for other Novanet libraries and request a loan for the item, i.e., Get It.

Click here for additional location information.
If the book is available at a Novanet library that is nearby, you could visit the library in person to retrieve the item - Be sure to bring your SMU ID card! Or you could **Sign in** and request that the book be delivered to you for pickup at Saint Mary’s.

“On Shelf” means the book is currently in the Library versus “checked out” or “out of library”.

**General Loan** means the book can be borrowed.
To have the book delivered, **Sign in** using your barcode number, the 14 digit number on your student ID card.

Your initial password is the last 4 digits of your phone number. You can change it after you sign in.
Click **Hold**, after you have signed in, to initiate delivery of the book.

Select a pickup location and then click SEND REQUEST.
If an item is not available at any Novanet library, you can still request that it be delivered to Saint Mary’s by clicking on the Document Delivery & More link in the detailed record.

Click the Request item via Document Delivery to initiate the request. You will be prompted to sign in with your Student ID barcode number and password.
Some books will have multiple versions (e.g., various editions, paper and online copies, etc.). Here we see that Saint Mary’s has a physical copy and an e-book copy of this title.
Click the **Online access** or **Full text available** link to access an e-book. If off campus, you will need to sign in with your S number and password to access the book.
Please note: Due to publisher and licensing restrictions, Saint Mary's students have access only to e-books that are owned by SMU or that are available to all Novanet members.
Advanced Searching
Use **ADVANCED SEARCH** to construct a more precise search. Here you can search for terms within specific fields or search several fields at once.

From within Novanet, select Advanced Search. Or, select Advanced Search from the Library's homepage.
For example, the following search will retrieve Al Gore’s book *An Inconvenient Truth*.

Click the drop-down arrows to reveal other field and search options.

Enter your search terms.

Refine your search by Resource Type, Language, or Date.
Additional Features
Click at the top of the navigation bar to begin a **NEW SEARCH**. Other links take you to the Library’s **SUBJECT GUIDES** and to information about **DOCUMENT DELIVERY** services.

**BROWSE** allows you to browse an alphabetical list of subjects, authors, titles, or call numbers.

**Sign in** to request items, renew loans, and check fines.
Cite and email options are provided in both the brief and detailed records.
Clicking on Citation will automatically create a citation (APA, Chicago, or MLA) for the item.

Important! Citations may contain errors. Always check your citations for accuracy.
To view items that you saved, click the Pin icon (upper right corner of the Novanet screen). This will take you to your My Favorites list.

Select items from My Favorites for printing or emailing. Click here to print, email, or export multiple items all at once.
If you wish to see what materials may be available beyond the Novanet libraries, click the *Expand beyond my library* box. Items that are not available in Novanet may be requested through Document Delivery.
Searching for Articles
In addition to books, Novanet enables you to search for other resource types including journal and newspaper articles.
However, Novanet does not search all of the articles that you have access to via the Library’s databases.

You can sign in to increase the number of articles that you retrieve, but for comprehensive searching, you should also search the individual databases relating to your subject area.
To begin a search, select the “Articles” tab and enter your keywords in the search box.

Then, click “Find”
The Library subscribes to databases that need to recognize you as an authorized user before you can retrieve certain materials. Sign in using your SMU ID barcode number and password (last 4 digits of your phone number).

While this may expand the number of articles you retrieve, it is not a replacement for searching the Library’s databases.

Once you are in Novanet, Sign in to discover more articles!
You can tweak (filter) your search for articles to peer-reviewed journals only. You can also apply other filters as needed (e.g., filter by author, date, etc.).
Click on the title of an article in your results list to view additional DETAILS about the article.

**Name of journal containing the article.**

Ecological equivalency as a tool for endangered species management
Searcy, Christopher A.; Rollins, Hilary B.; Shaffer, H. Bradley
To access the full text of an article, when available, click the **Full text available** link in the brief record. Or, in the detailed article record, click **VIEW ONLINE** and then **Link to Online Resource**.
The article in our example, *Ecological equivalency as a tool for endangered species management*, is available in full text via the Wiley database.

**Title:** Ecological equivalency as a tool for endangered species management  
**Source:** Ecological applications [1051-0761] Searcy, Christopher yr:2016 vol:26 iss:1 pg:94 -103

Full Text
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