



The Gelman Library System provides GW faculty and students, regardless of location, with services and resources for curricular, research, and information purposes. As a registered GW student, you have access to the following services in person and online at [www.gwu.edu/gelman](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman)

## **ALADIN Research Portal**

GW is a member of the eight-university Washington Research Libraries Consortium (WRLC). WRLC libraries share an electronic catalog and many other resources via the ALADIN Research Portal: [www.aladin.wrlc.org](http://www.aladin.wrlc.org). With your GWorld Card, you can enter and check out items from any of the WRLC libraries.

## **Find and Borrow Library Materials**

Find books, journal titles, and other library resources in the WRLC Catalog. You can check out items held by GW's Gelman, Eckles, and Virginia Campus libraries as well as items owned by WRLC schools.

## **Online Databases and Resources**

Research using articles (many in full-text), e-books, and other library materials online via the ALADIN Research Portal. You will need to login using your last name and ID number (GWid or GWorld Card barcode) to use these resources.



## **E-Journal Title Finder**

If you want to know if a journal is available in full-text, click on the E-Journal Title Finder. Simply enter the journal title to find out what database(s) the journal might be in and what years are available in full-text, with a link to the journal.

## **MyALADIN**

MyALADIN is used for web document delivery, to renew books, and to check your library account activity. Notifications of due dates, overdue notices, and available requests are sent to you by email and are also available in MyALADIN. To enter, visit the Research Portal and click on the myALADIN button at the top.

## Library Assistance

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Librarians are here to help you. Here are just a few ways.

### Reference Services & Ask-A-Librarian

Librarians can help you create search strategies, find effective resources, and more. Get help online, in-person, by phone at 202-994-6048, or using AOL instant messenger (AIM).



Add us to your buddy list!  
AIM screen names:

GelmanInfo & EcklesInfo. To find hours and access information, visit:  
[www.gwu.edu/gelman/IM.html](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/IM.html)

### Research Guides and Assistance

#### Appointments

Research guides are good starting places for research, providing annotated lists of important information sources for specific subject areas: [www.gwu.edu/gelman/guides](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/guides)

A Research Assistance Appointment (RAA) is an opportunity to get in-depth assistance with library research. RAAs can be conducted in person at Gelman Library or by phone. If you are beginning

your research for a paper or thesis or if you are having difficulty finding information on a particular topic, you may want to schedule an appointment online at: [www.gwu.edu/gelman/ref/appoint.html](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/ref/appoint.html)

### Library Instruction Services

Set up instruction individually or for a group to learn how to use library resources. Contact Karen Wetzel, Distance Education Librarian, at [wetzel@gwu.edu](mailto:wetzel@gwu.edu) for information.

## Graduate Student Borrowing Privileges

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The below information applies to GW and WRLC books. If the book you need is not in the Libraries Catalog, then Gelman's Interlibrary Loan Unit will attempt to get a copy for you. Visit [www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/circulation/borrow/index.html](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/circulation/borrow/index.html) to see the complete policy.

### Off-Campus Library Materials Delivery

Registered GW off-campus graduate students can have library materials delivered to you. Use the Off-Campus Library Materials Request Form for GW/WRLC and interlibrary loan items: [www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/interlibrary/librocp.cfm](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/interlibrary/librocp.cfm)

Items will be sent to you via FedEx Ground at no charge. It is your responsibility to return the items by their due date (photocopies can be kept). Electronic copies of articles and chapters will be put into your MyALADIN account. Allow about one week for delivery of GW and WRLC materials (2-3 weeks for interlibrary loan).

### **Book Limit**

No Limit (except 25 book limit from George Mason University).

### **Loan Period & Renewals**

42 days from day of check-out/renewal. Books may be renewed at any time, and they will be assigned a new due date 42 days from the day you renew. Each book is limited to 3 renewals. Note: Interlibrary Loan books may be subject to different loan periods and renewal options. This information will be printed on a slip enclosed with the book

### **Overdue Fines and Other Fees**

Overdue fines are \$0.25 per day per book up to \$10 maximum. After 40 days, overdue items are considered lost and you will be charged \$97 for each book.

## **Logging In**

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To access databases, online journals, and more, you will need to login. To do so:

**Step 1:** Go to the Gelman Library website ([www.gwu.edu/gelman](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman)) and click on ALADIN Research Portal

**Step 2:** On the login page:

- Type your last name
- Type your University ID (Gwid) or Library Barcode (on the back of your GWorld Card)
- Select "George Washington University" from the pull-down menu

**Step 3:** Click Go!

### **Need Help?**

Gwid Office (look your Gwid up online)  
<http://gwid.gwu.edu>

Gelman Circulation Desk (all other questions)  
<http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/circulation/directory.html>

## Library Links

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### **Gelman Library**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman)

### **Gelman Off-Campus Students Page**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/offcampus/](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/offcampus/)

### **ALADIN Gateway**

[www.aladin.wrlc.org](http://www.aladin.wrlc.org)

Book catalog, article databases, and more.

### **Ask-a-Librarian: Phone, E-mail, & IM**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman/ref/askus.cfm](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/ref/askus.cfm)

We're here to help!

### **How to Search for, Find, and Cite Articles**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman/database/articles/overview.html](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/database/articles/overview.html)

Having trouble with your searches, or need to brush up on your style guides? This guide will take you from start to finish.

### **Logging into ALADIN from Off-Campus**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman/guides/general/offcampus.html](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/guides/general/offcampus.html)

### **Research Guides**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman/guides](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/guides)

Not sure where to begin your research? These subject guides will get you started.

### **Request Library Items for Delivery**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/interlibrary/librocp.cfm](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/interlibrary/librocp.cfm)

Get items sent to you at no charge.

### **Sign up for your Colonial E-mail Account**

[cmail.gwu.edu](mailto:cmail.gwu.edu)

Get a gwu.edu e-mail account!

### **Tips on Starting Your Research**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/offcampus/tips.html](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/offcampus/tips.html)

### **Using Other Libraries**

[www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/offcampus/libraries.html](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman/service/offcampus/libraries.html)

Information on access and borrowing privileges at academic libraries throughout DC, Maryland, Virginia, and other states.

### **Have a Question? Ask Us!**

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Information: 202-994-6558  
Reference: 202-994-6048  
E-mail: [refdesk@gwu.edu](mailto:refdesk@gwu.edu)  
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[www.gwu.edu/gelman](http://www.gwu.edu/gelman)

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