



The Online Catalog: A Step-by-Step Guide to Finding Literary Criticism in Books

The **Online Catalog** provides a method of identifying and locating books and audiovisual materials that are owned by the library.

How to Access the Online Catalog

1. Go to the Blinn College Library Homepage: <http://www.blinn.edu/library>
2. Select "Books"
3. Select "Online Catalog"

How to Search for Literary Criticism

Step One: Enter the last name of the author of the story or novel you are researching in the search terms box of the "Browse Search" option. Click "Search."

Here is an example illustrating a search for literary criticism on Edith Wharton's novel, *Age of Innocence*.

Tip: To search for criticism of an author's works, select the "Subject" category. **Do not** choose the "Author" category to locate criticism!

Step Two: The results of your search will provide a list of entries categorizing the books about the author's works. Click on the entries with the subdivision "criticism and interpretation" or the subdivision that matches the title of the work you are researching.

You searched Class 01 - Subject: wharton

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4	Wharton, Edith, 1862-1937.
2	Wharton, Edith, 1862-1937. Age of innocence. ← Ex. Entry by Title
1	Wharton, Edith, 1862-1937. Age of innocence -- Examinations -- Study guides.
5	Wharton, Edith, 1862-1937 -- Bibliography.
	Wharton, Edith, 1862-1937 -- Biography.
3	Wharton, Edith, 1862-1937 -- Characters -- Women.
23	Wharton, Edith, 1862-1937 -- Criticism and interpretation. ← Ex. Criticism and interpretation Entry
1	Wharton, Edith, 1862-1937 -- Criticism and interpretation -- History.

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Tip: If you do not see a "criticism and interpretation" entry for your author, or an entry for the title of the work, click here to see more results for your author.

Step Three: This screen lists the titles of the books and the information needed to locate the books in the library.

Records 1 through 10 of 23

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Make sure we have a copy available.

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Number Available:	1
Available At:	BRYAN -- STACKS
Call Number	813.52 Q44e 1938
Title	Edith Wharton.
Author	Quinn, Arthur Hobson, 1875-1960.
Imprint	[Folcroft, Pa.] Folcroft Library Editions, 1973.
Description	11 p. port. 26 cm.

Make sure the book is available on your campus. If not, it is possible to order a book from another campus. Ask a librarian if you need assistance.

The call number is the number needed to locate a book on the shelves.

In addition to locating printed books from Blinn Library, your search results may include full-text electronic books.

Example of a catalog entry for an electronic book:

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Title	Campaign warriors [electronic resource] : the role of political consultants in elections / James A. Thurber, Candice J. Nelson, editors.
Imprint	Washington, D.C. : Brookings Institution Press, c2000.
Web Location	http://www.netLibrary.com/urlapi.asp?action=summary&v=1&bookid=53168
Description	vii, 216 p. ; 24 cm.

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