Searching the catalogue

Access

Select Catalogue from the library homepage at federation.edu.au/library

How should I search?

- Use a **Keyword** search for topic searching - it will look for items that have the search terms in the title, author, subject, contents or abstract fields of the catalogue record.
- Use a **Title** search if you know the exact title.
- Use an **Author** search if you know the author's family name (e.g. Keneally or Keneally, T or Keneally, Thomas).

The item's **Status** may be **available**, **out on loan**, **on hold**, or **in transit**. You can place a **request** for items that are currently not available, or not at your campus.

**Item Location** displays the campus and collection where the item belongs. You can request items that belong at other Federation University campus libraries.

A call number (call no.) tells you the item's exact location on the shelves.

Click **Modify Search** for more search options.
Search hints and tips

- Using “quotation marks” to make a phrase search can help refine your search results.
  e.g.: study skills = 2 separate concepts
  “study skills” = 1 single concept
- OR in between words will return results with either term appearing in a record, teenager OR adolescent.
- NOT in front of a word will exclude the search term after ‘not’. Animals NOT dogs
- Click the View all collections to limit the campus and media type.

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