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Subject Guide for Policing

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Introduction

Welcome to the Policing Subject Guide. These pages are intended to provide you with information on selected resources available from the Drill Hall Library Service and other reputable agencies and organisations.

Resources are increasingly available in electronic format. Indeed, many of those documented in these pages are directly accessible through the internet or via your Canterbury Christ Church University blackboard account.

The main collection of hardcopy Policing resources is housed in the Drill Hall Library on the Medway Campus.

Resources

Please use the following links to obtain further information on a selection of available resources:

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Books and Reference Works: Policing [\[top of page \]](#)

The [Drill Hall Library Catalogue](#) contains all of the books currently held in the Drill Hall Library. The [Basic and Advanced Search Techniques](#) presentation gives advice on searching and there are context sensitive Help screens available on the catalogue itself.

Once the book has been found on the catalogue and the location and shelf mark have been noted, books held in the Drill Hall Library can be found on the shelves.

The [Checking Your Library Account](#) presentation gives information about reserving books online as well as managing your account.

To obtain books not held in the Drill Hall Library, see the [Inter-site and Interlibrary Loans](#) page.

A few useful classmarks are:

Sociology	301	Forensic Science	363.25
Criminal Law	345	Criminology	364
English Legal System	347	Criminological Research	364.072
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Printed Reference Works

Printed reference materials such as dictionaries, encyclopaedias and directories are available on the shelves in the Drill Hall Library.

Some useful reference works are listed below:

Cousens, M and Blair, R (2004) Butterworths Police and Criminal Evidence Act Cases. LexisNexis: London.

Drill Hall Library, 345.0520264/BUT

McLaughlin, E & Muncie, J (2006) The Sage dictionary of criminology. Sage: London.

Drill Hall Library, 364.03/SAG

Police and Constabulary Almanac (2005) Hazell: Dartford.

Drill Hall Library, Quick Reference 363.20941/POL

Social Trends. London: HMSO.

Drill Hall Library, 314.1/SOC

Statistical Yearbook. New York: United Nations.

Drill Hall Library, 310/UNI



Journals: Policing [\[top of page \]](#)

The [Drill Hall Library Catalogue](#) provides information on all of the printed journals to which the Library service subscribes. Please see the [Basic and Advanced Search Techniques](#) presentation on how to search the catalogue. If you have any difficulties, please consult any member of Library staff.

Here is a list of current hardcopy journal subscriptions for Policing (shelved alphabetically by title):

Criminal Justice Matters	Police Journal
Criminal Law Review	Police Review
Family Law	Probation Journal
International Journal of Police Science and Management	Public Law
Law Quarterly Review	Sociology Review
Legal Studies	Student Law Review

A number of older journal issues are kept off-campus at the Chatham Historic Dockyard store and you will need to ask for these issues using the yellow request form. A van service operates daily (Mon-Fri) between the Drill Hall Library and the Dockyard Store.

To identify and retrieve relevant **electronic** journal articles you should access the Canterbury Christ Church University Library [electronic journals](#) page.



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A database is a searchable collection of records. Most of the databases subscribed to by the Information and Library Services are bibliographical. The records in this type of database give you access to a reference or link to the full-text journal article.

Click [here](#) for the full list of electronic databases available to Canterbury Christ Church University Students. The most relevant databases for Policing are listed below:

[ASSIA](#) contains abstracts from 650 UK, US and international journals from 1987 onwards. Subject coverage includes politics, race relations, and policing.

[British Humanities Index](#) -provides abstracts from over 320 daily newspapers, weekly magazines and international journals from 1984 onwards. Topics include criminology and current affairs

[EBSCO Host Electronic Journal Service](#) provides access to abstracts of periodical articles, as well as some full-text journals. For help on how to use the service, consult our [guide](#).

[IBSS](#) - International Bibliography of the Social Sciences (available through BIDS) contains bibliographic details of articles, chapters from books and reviews from 1951 to the present day. It is updated weekly and covers a range of subjects including anthropology, economics, politics and sociology. For help on how to use the service, consult our [guide](#).

[Lawtel](#) - Lawtel EU offers access to every type of EU document from all the official sources in one place. Includes full text to EU Case Law and Legislation and access to Havers' Barristers and Havers' Chambers.

[Newsbank](#) - Full Text access to the Guardian, Observer, Independent, Independent on Sunday, Times, Sunday Times, News of the World, Sun and the Economist.

[PCI](#) (Periodicals Contents Index) Full Text is another online periodicals search service on the Web. Coverage on PCI extends from the first year of publication up to and including 1990. You can even find references to articles published in journals as far back as the nineteenth century.



[The Social Sciences Citation Index](#) (available through Web of Knowledge) is a service which allows you to search by subject for periodical article references and then email the resulting references to yourself. Coverage is from 1981 to the present.

[Science Direct](#) - This service provides access to online periodical titles published by Elsevier. These include key scientific journals making it a particularly useful resource for forensic science.

[Westlaw](#) - Access to Legal journals Index (which includes 33 full text UK journals). This service also provides access to case law and legislation.

[ZETOC](#), the British Library's Electronic Table of Contents service runs from 1993 onwards and is updated on a daily basis. A guide on how to use the service is available on the Library web pages. If you are using the service from College, no password is required.



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Online Tutorials for Internet Skills

[Internet Detective](#) – a free online tutorial that will help you develop Internet research skills.

[Keyskills](#) is an online resource developed by Canterbury Christ Church University College. It aims to provide support in developing key skills including searching the Internet, referencing etc.

Subject Gateways

Gateways give structured access to sites which are connected by type or subject material. Considerable work often goes into selecting, maintaining and assessing these resources and ensuring that they do have some academic validity. All kinds of resources may be included in a gateway. Most will contain links to other library catalogues, pages maintained by societies or associations, mailing lists and sites containing raw data or substantive material.

[Academic Info Social Sciences Gateway](#) - Academic Info is an online subject directory of over 25,000 hand-picked educational resources.

[BUBL](#) – gives information on selected internet resources for most subjects including philosophy, psychology and social sciences.

Check out the [BUBL Law Enforcement](#) pages

[SOSIG](#) – Social Science Information Gateway, provides links and information on a range of social science subjects including research methods, sociology, social welfare and psychology.



Websites

[AGI](#) - Association for Geographic Information - there is a special interest group for Crime and Disorder in recognition of the increasing use of geographical information and mapping applications for measuring and analysis of crime patterns

[Audit Commission](#) - reports produced by an independent body responsible for ensuring public money is used efficiently.

[Centre for Crime and Justice Studies](#) - A charity site which aims to inform and educate about all aspects of crime and the criminal justice system

[Centrex](#) - Central Police training and development authority.

[Criminal Justice System](#) web site - CJS online has been developed as part of the modernising government agenda. It aims to establish a CJS presence on the internet

[Home Office](#) - web site of the government department responsible for internal affairs in England and Wales. The [Policing and Reducing Crime Unit Briefing](#) notes web page provides full text of these briefing notes. The [Research Development and Statistics unit](#) publications page provides links to various research publications

[Jill Dando Institute of Crime Science](#) - web site of the worlds first institute of Crime Science at University College London

[Kent Police County Constabulary](#)

[Mapping Crime](#): Principle and Practice by Keith Harries (1999) - Online access to this publication published by the Crime Mapping Research Centre is hosted on the site of the [United States National Criminal Justice Reference Service](#) which is a US federally sponsored information clearinghouse for those involved in research, policy and practice related to criminal and juvenile justice and drug control.

[National Statistics](#) - access to government statistics. including neighbourhood statistics.

[Police Reform](#) (UK) - government web site about police reform

[Police Services of the UK](#) - Useful links to the regional Police Force Web sites in the U.K and other useful links



Organisations

[Association of Police Authorities](#) - set up to represent police authorities in England, Wales and Northern Ireland

[British Society of Criminology](#) - Aims to further the interests and knowledge, both academic and professional, of persons engaged in any aspect of teaching and research, or in the promotion and dissemination of knowledge, about crime and criminal behaviour, and the criminal justice systems in the United Kingdom.

[Police Federation](#) of England and Wales - Useful for keeping aware of current issues facing the police.



Other Libraries: Policing [\[top of page \]](#)

The Library Service participates in several formal schemes that enable Canterbury Christ Church University students and staff to access the library facilities of many other institutions.

The principal national schemes are [SCONUL Access](#) and [SCONUL Research Extra](#). The first two are intended primarily for undergraduate and taught postgraduate students, the last for academic and research staff. Follow the links to obtain more information and determine your eligibility to join.

A wide range of regional, national and international libraries and, where relevant, their catalogues and access policies, are listed on our [Using other Libraries](#) page.

The following list describes certain additional libraries with strong collections in your subject.

[British Library](#)

[Library of Congress online catalogue](#) – contains records for all books published in the US. Most books published in European languages are also included c1970 onwards.

[COPAC](#) - a union catalogue containing records for most of the main university research libraries in the UK and including the British Library catalogue.

[UK academic catalogues](#) - catalogues at individual academic institutions arranged alphabetically and geographically.