MELVYL (R) System – The University of California Catalog

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Description

The MELVYL catalog is a computer-based library catalog of over 7 million unique book titles representing more than 11 million holdings of all libraries in the nine-campus UC system and the California State Library. The catalog contains records of book and periodical (serial) holdings, and other materials such as maps, films, musical scores, and sound recordings. Collections strengths include agriculture, dry lands, oceanography, entomology, performing arts (especially film and television), photography, Californiana, materials on Mexico and Central America, 17th and 18th century British literature, health sciences, science fiction, and many others.

The periodical file, containing more than 640,000 unique titles of newspapers, journals, proceedings, etc., includes the holdings of Stanford University, the University of Southern California, the nineteen-campus California State University system, and selected other libraries.

The MELVYL catalog also includes two article abstracting and indexing files—MEDLINE and Current Contents. Use of these files, unlike the books and periodicals files, is restricted to the UC community. The MELVYL MEDLINE database contains the National Library of Medicine's MEDLINE database, which includes article citations indexed from health sciences journals from 1966 to the present. The Current Contents file, from the Institute for Scientific Information, contains citations to journals in seven disciplines. Other databases include some IAC files and Inspec.

The *DLA Bulletin* and *Mynd of the MELVYL Catalog*, two publications describing the online catalog and its development and use, are also available online. The MELVYL Online Catalog also provides TELNET access to other remote library systems.

Network Access

The system is on the Internet, on host *melvyl.ucop.edu* (192.35.222.222).

Who Can Use the Catalog

The MELVYL Online Catalog and CALLS are universally available. Access to MEDLINE and Current Contents files are restricted under a license agreement to the University of California faculty, staff, and students.

Miscellaneous

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