

Wilmington College WATSON LIBRARY Announces: Improved Catalog Searching for Books, Videos, Gov Docs, E-Books, and More!

The screenshot shows the OPAL Catalog search page in a Mozilla Firefox browser window. The browser address bar shows <http://cat.opal-libraries.org/search~/X>. The page features the OPAL logo (Ohio Private Academic Libraries) and navigation links for [New Search](#), [My Account](#), [Course Reserves](#), and [Help](#). A search bar at the top indicates "You are searching: all OPAL Libraries". Below the search bar are tabs for **Keyword**, **Title**, **Author**, **Subject**, **More Options**, and **My Account**. The main content area is titled "Advanced Keyword Search" and includes a "Clear Form" button and a "Submit" button. The search form consists of four rows of "Any Field:" dropdown menus, each followed by an "And" dropdown menu. Below the search form is a section titled "Limit your search (optional)" with a checkbox for "Limit to items not checked out" and several dropdown menus for "Location:", "Year of Publication:", "Material Type:", "Sound Recording:", "Video Recording:", and "Electronic:". A "zotero" logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the browser window.

Annotations:

- Select a search tab**: Points to the search tabs.
- Renew books or see what you have checked out**: Points to the [My Account](#) link.
- Search Course Reserves**: Points to the [Course Reserves](#) link.
- Learn how to search smarter**: Points to the "Search Tips" sidebar.
- Only see items available**: Points to the "Limit to items not checked out" checkbox.
- Select limits to fine-tune results**: Points to the "Limit your search (optional)" section.

Search Tips Sidebar:

- Adjacency**: Multiple words are searched together as one phrase. *Example*: world health organization
- Wildcards**: Words may be right-hand truncated using an asterisk. '*' for 1-5 characters, '**' for open-ended truncation, '?' to replace a single character anywhere within a word. *Examples*: environment* polic*, comput**, wom?n
- Boolean Operators**: Use "and" or "or" to specify multiple words in any field, any order. Use "and not" to exclude words. *Example*: stocks and bonds. *Example*: (alaska or canada) and (adventure and not vacation)
- Proximity Operators**: Use "near" to specify words close to each other, in any order. *Example*: california near university
- Field limits**: A field limit causes the system to search only the specified field for the specified word(s).
- Grouping**: Keyword search results are usually grouped by relevance to bring the most likely titles to the top of the list. Each group represents a similar level of relevance and results are sorted within the group by date or title. To get an ungrouped result set, use boolean operators to form a complex query.

Improved Results

OPAL
Ohio Private Academic Libraries

You are searching: **all OPAL Libraries**

Only see available items

Start Over | Modify Search | Another Search | Search OhioLINK | (Search History)

KEYWORD: civil war | All OPAL Libraries | Search

Limit to items not checked out

6613 results found. sorted by [relevance](#) | [date](#) | [title](#)

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 ... 552 Next »

Add All On Page To List

KEYWORDS (1-12 of 6613)

3. [Request](#) [Add to List](#)

The view from the ground : experiences of Civil War soldiers / edited by Aaron Sheehan-Dean ; with an afterword by Joseph T. Glatthaar. c2007

Lexington, Ky. : University Press of Kentucky, c2007.

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LOCATION	CALL #	STATUS	MESSAGE
BLUFFTON BOOK	E607 .V54 2007	DUE 08-23-07	
TIFFIN MAIN	E607 .V54 2007	AVAILABLE	

4. [Request](#) [Add to List](#)

God grew tired of us / John Bul Dau, with Michael S. Sweeney. c2007

Dau, John Bul.
Washington, DC : National Geographic, c2007.

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LOCATION	CALL #	STATUS	MESSAGE
OTTERBEIN NEW BOOKS	HV640.5.S9 D29 2007	AVAILABLE	

5. [Request](#) [Add to List](#)

Lincoln : a life of purpose and power / Richard Carwardine. c2007

Carwardine, Richard.
New York : Vintage Books, c2007.

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LOCATION	CALL #	STATUS	MESSAGE
BLUFFTON BOOK	E457 .C43 2007	AVAILABLE	

Annotations:

- Only see available items
- Add all records to a list to print or email
- View the book cover and read a brief description.
- Request books from results list
- Add items individually to a list to print, email, or request at once
- Quickly re-sort results
- Quickly see shelving location, call number, and status (available or checked out)