

Library Acronyms and Frequently Used Terminology

ACCC	Academic Computing and Communications Center, UIC (formerly ADN, Academic Data Network) [http://www.uic.edu/epts./accc/home]
ACQ	Acquisitions Department, UIC Library
ADMIN	Administrative Office, UIC Daley Library [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/admin] Administrative Office, UIC LHS Chicago Library
ALA	American Library Association [http://www.ala.org]
Arcade	InfoTech Arcade, University of Illinois at Chicago Library (Daley), First Floor, where UIC faculty, ideas, software, and equipment can come together to explore applications of technology and multimedia in higher education [http://www.uic.edu/epts./lib/arcade]
ARL	Association of Research Libraries - UIC Library is a member [http://www.arl.org]
Banner	SCT Banner, a human resource management system used by the University of Illinois
BIB (Bibliographic Record)	An entry which represents a specific item in a library catalog or bibliographic database. The Bibliographic record contains the data necessary for a full description of the material, including title, author publisher, and year of publication, format and call number.
Bound Periodical	Multiple issues of periodicals that are compiled together and bound in book format.
Call number	Combination of number and letters assigned to library materials to indicate its specific location in the library.
CARLI	College and Research Libraries of Illinois [Illinois state consortium, formerly ILCSO, http://www.ilcso.uiuc.edu]
CAT	Catalog Department, UIC Library
CIC	Committee on Institutional Cooperation, an academic consortium of the Big Ten Universities and the University of Chicago [http://www.cic.uiuc.edu/]
CIRC	Circulation Department, UIC Daley Library [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/circulation/]
Circulating Collection	Library materials that "circulate" or may be borrowed from the collection. Unbound periodicals and Reference titles do NOT circulate.
CIRCWRKS	Circulation Working Group, UIC Library [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/staff/commwork/circwrks]
Citation	Specific bibliographic information about an item including the title, author(s), edition, publisher, place and year of the publication. Periodical citations include title of the article, author(s), title of the magazine or journal, volume and issue numbers, month and year, and the page numbers on which the article appears.
Classification system	A system used to classify and assign call numbers to library materials. A classification system works to group items of similar subject matter together. Essentially, materials about a particular topic are classified and shelved together in the stacks.
CLIO	Software suite that the Library's ILL offices use to manage ILL requests. It enables users to request ILL materials and track ILL requests. Library users need only a Web browser and Internet connection to perform these functions. UIC has branded the Clio Web service " MyILL@UIC. "
Coll Dev	Collections Development, UIC Library

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CPL	Chicago Public Library [http://www.chipublib.org]
CRL	Center for Research Libraries, A consortium of North American universities, colleges, and independent research libraries acquiring and preserving traditional and digital resources for research and teaching, making them available to member institutions through interlibrary loan and electronic delivery. UIC Library is a member [http://www.crl.edu]
Daley	Daley Library [UIC East Campus, Chicago http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/mainlib]
Dewey Decimal Classification System -	Numeric classification system used to assign call numbers to library materials. [http://www.oclc.org/dewey]
DRU	Direct Request Unit, Circulation Department, UIC Library
ERes	UIC Library's Electronic Reserve System. Instructors post reserve readings and digital images online via the UIC Library supported electronic reserve system. Passwords for ERes course pages are designated by the course instructor and released to only students who are registered for the course. [http://uic.docutek.com]
FDAC	Faculty Development Allocation Committee, UIC Library (makes recommendations to the University Librarian on funding for faculty requests to support research and/or service activities) [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/about/facexec/fdac.shtml]
Format	Physical description of material, such as print, media, microfilm, bound periodical or online database.
Full-text	Complete electronic copy or "full text" of material. "Full text" databases contain articles in their complete entirety. Other databases provide only indexes and citation information, but not the actual document.
GIF	Graphic interchange format; image file commonly used on web pages. These files have the .gif file type extension.
GMR	Greater Midwest Region, National Network of Libraries of Medicine [http://nmlm.gov/gmr] UIC is the Regional Medical Library for the GMR.
GO TO List	UIC Library Information page [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/staff/goto.shtml]
Gov Docs	Government Documents Department, UIC Library
HLDG/Holdings	Marc Format Holdings Record (Also known as MFHD, pronounced "Muff head" Record of titles owned—or "held" – by a library. Holdings information is provide for all library materials in UICCAT.
IBIS	Illinois Bibliographic Information Service [http://www.ilcso.uiuc.edu/Web/Services/IBIS/ibis.html]
IDAL	Illinois Digital Academic Library - Consortium of North American universities, colleges, and independent research libraries acquiring and preserving traditional and digital resources for research and teaching, making them available to member institutions through interlibrary loan and electronic delivery. [http://www.idal.illinois.edu]
ILCSO	Illinois Library Computer System Organization, renamed CARLI . A consortium of sixty-five Illinois libraries that share an online union catalog, I-Share; ILSCO was converted into CARLI in July 2005 [http://www.ilcso.uiuc.edu]
ILL	Inter Library Loan, Circulation Department, UIC Library [Inter-Library Loan is a service used to obtain materials from other libraries. http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/circulation/services/ill/ill.shtml]

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ILLWRKS	Inter Library Loan Working Group, UIC Library
I-Share	Illinois statewide resource sharing system and union catalog [http://library.ilcso.illinois.edu/ilcso/cgi-bin/welcome]
Journal	A periodical dedicated to distributing original research on current developments in a specific field of study or discipline.
JPEG	Image file commonly used on web pages. A jpeg has the .jpg file type extension.
LFEC	Library Faculty Executive Committee, UIC Library [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/about/facexec]
LHS	Library of the Health Sciences, UIC
LHS-C	UIC Library of the Health Sciences, Chicago [UIC West Campus, Chicago – [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/lhsc]
LHS-P	UIC Library of the Health Sciences, Peoria Campus [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/lhsp]
LHS-R	UIC Library of the Health Sciences, Rockford Campus [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/lhsr]
LHS-U	UIC Library of the Health Sciences, Urbana-Champaign Campus [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/lhsu]
Library of Congress Classification System	An alphanumeric classification system used to assign call numbers to library materials. <i>UIC Library uses the Library of Congress Classification System.</i> [Also known as LC Call numbers, http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/awhhtml/awgc1/lc_call.html]
Library of Congress Subject Headings (LCSH)	Library of Congress approved words and terms used to describe the content of an item that has been cataloged [http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/awhhtml/awgc1/lc_subject.html]
Lib-Sys	UIC Library Systems Office [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/systems]
MFHD (pronounced Muffhead):	Also known as MFHD, pronounced "Muffhead" Record of titles owned--or "held"-- by a library. Same as Holdings, or HLDG. Holdings information is provided for all library materials in UICCAT.
Microform - microfiche or microfilm	Film bearing a photographic record on a reduced scale of printed or other graphic materials. Microforms are more compact and easier to store than the actual printed materials. Back issues of many periodicals and newspapers are stored on microform.
Monograph	Single book or text; also monographic sets, e.g. encyclopedias
MLA	Medical Library Association [http://www.mlanet.org/index.html]
NESSIE	Net-driven Employee Self Service and Information Environment [https://nessie.uihr.uillinois.edu/cf/index.cfm]
NESSIE New Hire	Net-driven Employee Self Service and Information Environment [https://nessie.uihr.uillinois.edu/cf/index.cfm , New Employee Information Section]
NLM	National Library of Medicine [http://www.nlm.nih.gov]
NN/LM GMR	National Network of Libraries of Medicine Greater Midwest Region [centered at LHS, http://nnlm.gov/gmr]
OCLC	OCLC, inc. [Online Computer Library Center - nonprofit, membership, computer library service and research organization, http://www.oclc.org]
OPAC	Online Public Access Catalog [For example, UICCAT]

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PDF	(.pdf) "portable document format". A format, like a Word document (.doc) or a plain text document (.txt) that looks like a scanned or photocopied image of the page from the actual magazine or journal. Some online databases offer full text articles in .pdf format. This file type requires Adobe Acrobat Reader for access. [http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html]
Periodical	Publications that are issued "periodically", more than once a year.
qUIC	Pronounced "quick" - a branding for UIC Library quick and easy guides to Library resources
qUIC Search	a federated search tool for selected UIC library databases [http://search2.webfeat.org/UICsearch.html]
qUICsearchVEL	a federated search tool for CIC library holdings [http://wfla2.webfeat.org/uicvelsearch.html]
Ref	Reference Department, UIC Library [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/reference]
Reference Collection	Research tools such as dictionaries, encyclopedias, atlases, indexes, handbooks and directories. Reference materials are for library use only and do not circulate.
Reserve	Materials that instructors have placed on Reserve are kept behind the Circulation Desk. These materials do NOT circulate, but can be checked out for use inside the library for up to 4 hours.
RESWRKS	Reserves Working Group, UIC Library [http://uic.docutek.com/eres/coursepage.aspx?cid=232]
RML	Regional Medical Library [now Greater Midwest Region, http://nnlm.gov/gmr]
Serial	Publication that is produced Also used interchangeably with the term "periodical." The term serials may also be used to refer to the library's collection of newspapers, magazines, and journals.
Steering Committee	Governing body of the University of Illinois at Chicago Library
Student Center East	SCE - Bookstore, recreational facilities, etc., on the East Campus (formerly known as CCC, Chicago Circle Center)
Student Center West	SCW - Bookstore, recreational facilities, etc., on the West Campus (formerly known as CIU, Chicago Illini Union)
Subject heading	Specific terms used to describe items in print indexes and online databases. Subject headings can consist of a single word or phrase. Also called descriptors and Identifiers.
UICCAT	University of Illinois at Chicago CATalog [http://uiccat.lib.uic.edu/cgi-bin/Pwebrecon.cgi?DB=local&PAGE=First]
ULIB	UIC Online Library newsletter (web delivery; current issue: [http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/staff/ulib/]
URL	Universal Resource Locator or address of a webpage, for example, http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib is the UIC Library URL
VEL	Virtual Electronic Library, qUICsearchVEL, a service searching more than one library catalog provided by UIC library using webfeat software [http://wfla2.webfeat.org/uicvelsearch.html]
Voyager	Library circulation, catalog and technical services operating system

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