

**RESEARCHING FOREIGN, COMPARATIVE INTERNATIONAL LAW &
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FOREIGN LAW

Primary materials

➤ PRINT

Statutes & Law Reports for the following:

Available @ Osgoode Law Library Africa, Asia, Caribbean, United Kingdom, United States

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ChinaLawInfo – Chinese statutes, judicial interpretations and cases with English translations

Manupatra – Indian statutes, case law, forms and reference tools

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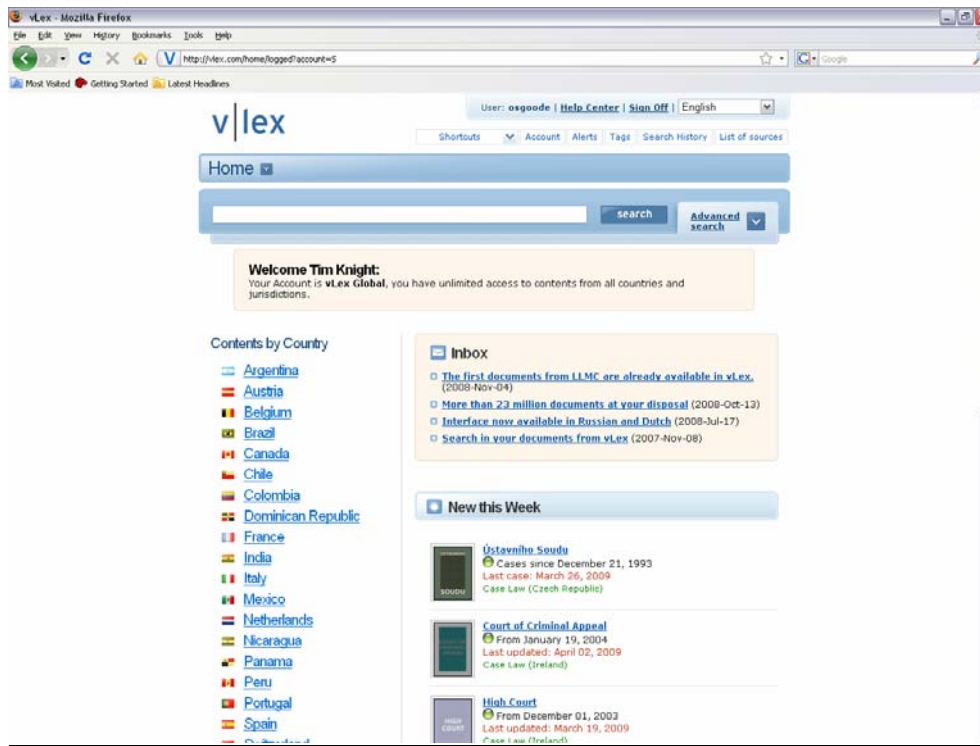
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HeinOnline – US Statutes at Large, US Supreme Court Library, US Attorney General

Opinion

LexisNexis Academic

International Law in Domestic Courts

A database of domestic cases in international law from over 60 jurisdictions. Available through the Research databases page.

Websites

[AsianLII](#) (Asian Legal Information Institute) – full text of statutes, case law and international decisions from 21 Asian countries

[AUSTILII](#) (Australian Legal Information Institute) – full text of statutes, case law and journal articles

[BAILII](#) (British & Irish Legal Information Institute) – full text of statutes and case law
 GLIN (Global Legal Information Network) full text of statutes, regulations, decisions of various countries, database managed by the Library of Congress

[IRLII](#) (Irish Legal Information Initiative) – full text of Irish laws and statutes

[NZLII](#) (New Zealand Legal Information Institute) – full text of New Zealand laws and statutes

[SAFLII](#) (Southern Africa Legal Information Institute) – full text of statutes and case law from Eastern and Southern Africa

The UK Statute Law Database – official statute book of the United Kingdom

[WorldLII](#) (World Legal Information Institute)

Pathfinders

[Globalex](#) - This is a free database of foreign, comparative and international law prepared by specialists in this field hosted by the Hauser Global Law Program at New York University. Materials in the database are regularly updated.

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[INTUTE <http://www.intute.ac.uk/socialsciences/law/>](http://www.intute.ac.uk/socialsciences/law/) – This is a free database of subject specific and cross subject resources that have been evaluated for quality and relevance. It has resources for different jurisdictions of the world. For Law, start by selecting:

- Social Sciences , then select
- Law

[LLRX.com <http://www.llrx.com/category/1050>](http://www.llrx.com/category/1050) - A free searchable resource covering several international jurisdictions and international law areas.

Secondary materials

The library has a number of indexes in print and electronic for researching foreign, comparative and international law:

- LegalTrac
- Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals
- Index to Legal Periodicals
- Index to Periodical Articles related to Law
- [Current Law Journal <http://lawlib.wlu.edu/CLJC/index.aspx>](http://lawlib.wlu.edu/CLJC/index.aspx) – a table of content current awareness service

The following titles are also crucial when doing fcil research:

- Redden, Kenneth R. Modern legal systems cyclopedia W.S. Hein: Buffalo, N.Y., U.S.A. : 1984-
- Reynolds, Thomas Foreign law; current sources of codes and legislation in

jurisdictions of the world Colorado: Thomas H. Reynolds & Arturo A. Flores 1989.

- Germain, Claire Germain's transnational law research: a guide for attorneys New York: Transnational Publishers 1991.
- Wiktor, Christian Multilateral Treaty Calendar The Hague : Martinus Nijhoff Publishers, 1998.
- Igor, Kavass World dictionary of legal abbreviations Buffalo, N.Y., USA: W.S.Hein 1991

➤ PRINT

Below is a selected list of available journals on foreign, comparative and international law available at the Osgoode Hall Law School Library:

* denotes that material is available electronically in HeinOnline

- ❖ Academie De Droit International
- ❖ African Journal of International & Comparative Law
- ❖ African Yearbook of International Law*
- ❖ African Law Studies*
- ❖ American Journal of International Studies
- ❖ Annual Survey of African Law
- ❖ Annual Survey of American Law
- ❖ Annual Survey of Australian Law
- ❖ Annual Survey of Commonwealth Law
- ❖ Annuaire Francais De Droit International
- ❖ American Journal of Comparative Law*
- ❖ American Journal of International Law*
- ❖ American University International Law Review*
- ❖ Arizona Journal of International & Comparative Law*
- ❖ Australian Law Review
- ❖ Australian International Law News
- ❖ Berkeley Journal of International Law*
- ❖ British Yearbook of International Law*
- ❖ Caribbean Law & Business
- ❖ Commonwealth Law Bulletin*
- ❖ The Comparative & International Journal of South Africa
- ❖ Comparative Law Yearbook
- ❖ Eastern Africa Law Review
- ❖ European Yearbook
- ❖ Houston Journal of International Law*
- ❖ Indian Journal of International Law
- ❖ Indiana International & Comparative Law Review*
- ❖ International Perspectives
- ❖ Japanese Annual of International Law
- ❖ Journal of Ethiopian Law
- ❖ Journal Du Droit International

- ❖ Journal of African Law*
- ❖ New York Law School Journal of International & Comparative Law *
- ❖ Netherlands Yearbook of International Law
- ❖ Revue Critique De Droit International Prive
- ❖ Revue Belge De Droit International
- ❖ Revista Espanola De Derecho Internacional
- ❖ Stanford Journal of International Law*
- ❖ South Africa Law Journal
- ❖ South Africa Yearbook of International Law
- ❖ Singapore Law Review
- ❖ Singapore Journal of International & Comparative Law
- ❖ Tilburg Foreign Law Review (Dutch)
- ❖ Texas International Law Journal*
- ❖ United Nations Juridical Yearbook
- ❖ United Nations Bulletin
- ❖ Virginia Journal of International Law*
- ❖ Yearbook of European Law
- ❖ Yearbook of New Zealand Jurisprudence
- ❖ Yale Journal of International Law*

➤ ELECTRONIC

Foreign & international law resource database is available at the Osgoode Hall Law School Library on the Research databases – Law page. The database is divided into four sections and there you'll find full text of digests, judicial decisions, yearbooks, conference proceedings from different jurisdictions of the world.



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 - [Part II: U.S. Law Digests](#)
 - [Part III: International Tribunals/Judicial Decisions](#)

- [Part IV: Other Significant Works Related to Foreign and International Law](#)

Websites

The following websites are helpful in locating foreign, comparative & international law materials:

- [ASIL](#) – American Society of International Law. Check especially the Publications section where you'll find latest publications, book reviews etc.
- [ESIL](#) – Electronic Resources for International Law

Pathfinders

- Bora Laskin Law Library, University of Toronto
Lists all available journals in LexisNexis, Quicklaw, WestlaweCarswell and the University of Toronto Law Library collection.

Researching International Organizations

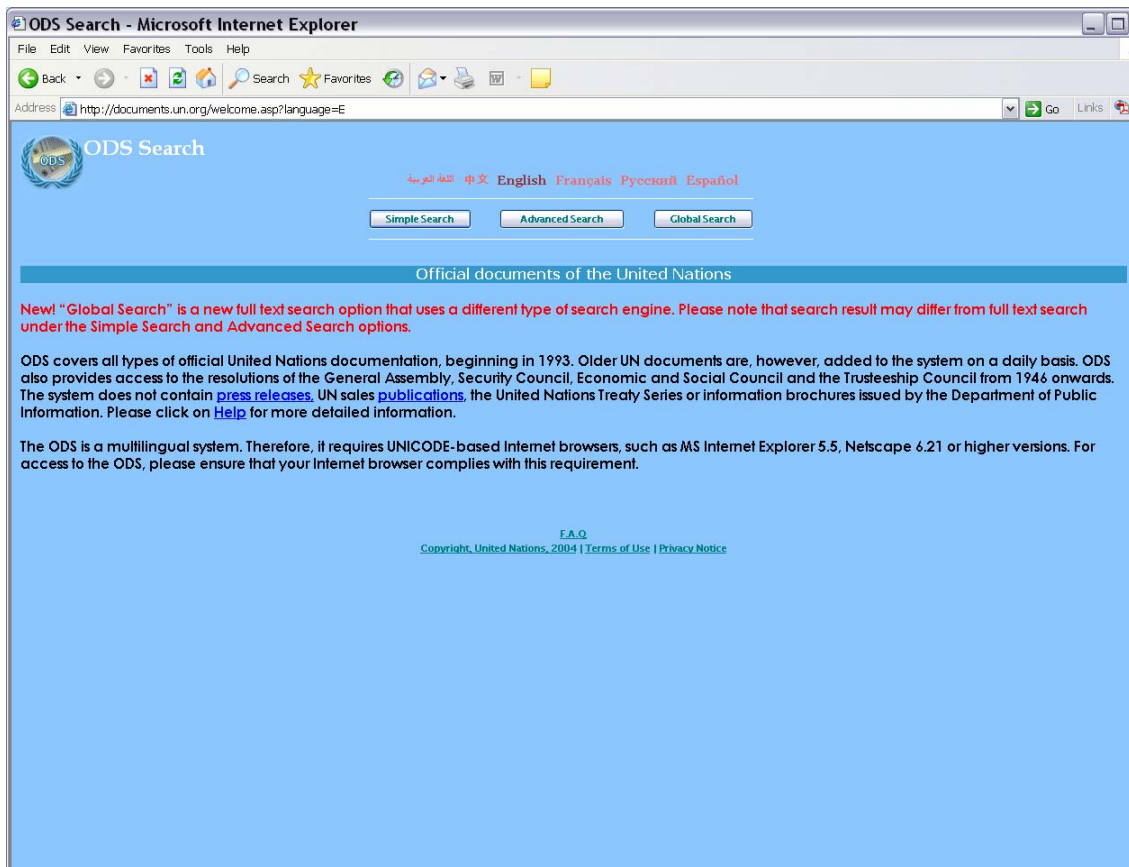
➤ **United Nations**

The York University Libraries has collection of the United Nations publications in its collection and can be found mostly in the Scott Library.

<http://www.library.yorku.ca/ccm/ScottReference/govpubs/guides/un.htm#indexes>

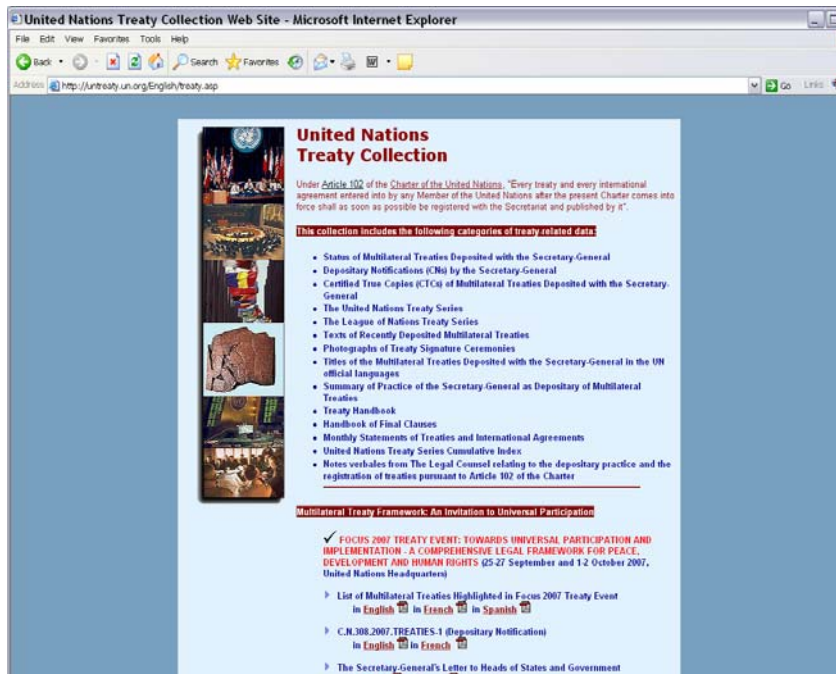
For electronic materials, start with the

- UN Official Document Service is listed on the Research Databases page. This is a searchable multi-lingual database containing all types of UN official publications from 1996. Note that coverage does not include news releases, treaty series and information brochures.



- **United Nations Treaty Series** is also listed on the Research Databases page. Here you find full text of United Nations treaties, multilateral treaties and regional treaties; all searchable and with indexes.

Access UN



➤ **European Union (EU)**

The library has a number of secondary materials on the European Union and we are building the collection in this area. However a lot of information is available on the Internet on the European Union its institutions and bodies i.e. [European Commission](#), [European Council](#) , [European Parliament](#) & [European Court of Justice](#). Case law, statutes, treaties and procedures can be found on [Eur Lex](#).

➤ **WTO**

The library has a number of materials on the WTO. You can do a search in the library catalogue. There WorldTradeLaw.net which has full text reports, cases of arbitration of the WTO and GATT.

➤ **NAFTA**

The library has several materials and publication on NAFTA. The NAFTA website has several materials on dispute settlement and alternative dispute resolution.

➤ **NATLEX**

International Labour Organization database containing international labour, social security and human rights legislation and country reports from over 170 countries.

➤ **Caribbean Community (CARICOM)**

The Treaty of Chaguaramas signed on July 4th 1973 established CARICOM is made up of 15 member states and 5 associate members. The [CARICOM](#) website has numerous information which publications and reports of the organization and its organs such as the [Caribbean Court of Justice](#). The library has a number of primary and secondary resources for a number of the CARICOM member countries.

➤ **[African Union \(AU\)](#)**

The amalgamation of 53 African countries. The link is wikipedia information.

➤ **International Criminal Court (ICC) [Legal Tools](#)**

A virtual legal library of the ICC containing not just legal information from the ICC but from other jurisdictions.

➤ **[International Court of Justice](#)**

Here you find cases and basic documents of the ICJ, but note that you are now able to access publications of the Permanent Court of Justice 1922 – 1946.

➤ **[OECD Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development](#)**

Publications available via e-Resources and listed under multi-disciplinary databases on the Law Library website. There you will find books, periodicals, working papers focusing on world economies, statistics as well as materials on taxation and development.

➤ **[OAS Organization of American States](#)**

Publications on OAS mandate such as human rights, children's rights, sustainable development and environment, multilateral and regional trade, judgments of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and Inter-American Human Rights Commission.