USCAN Web

The University of South Carolina’s USCAN Library Catalog is now compatible with the World Wide Web. The graphical user interface system called “USCAN Web” provides easier access for users searching the USC Library Catalog from remote sites. USCAN Web also makes it possible for the University Libraries to integrate text, graphics, and other media and to include hyperlinks to outside resources. Users need a graphical Web browser such as Netscape or Internet Explorer. The Internet address for USCAN Web is: http://www.sc.edu/uscan/

As with USCAN, USCAN Web allows searchers to find out which books, journals, magazines, newspapers, documents, videos, sound recordings, maps, and manuscripts are held by the library system. It provides the same access to library collections as USCAN, including those at all the USC Columbia libraries (Thomas Cooper, Business, Math, Law, Music, and South Caroliniana) all USC campus libraries (Aiken, Allendale, Beaufort, Lancaster, Laurens, Hilton Head, Spartanburg, Sumter, Union, and Walterboro) and Aiken Technical College Library.

Users may prefer to search USCAN Web rather than USCAN for several reasons. The connection is easier and USCAN Web incorporates the use of hypertext links, enabling users to link between records and execute new searches at the click of a mouse. USCAN Web allows the user to select the exact library, campus, or collection to search. In addition, when using the “Long View” feature, USCAN Web displays the entire record on a single Web page along with the location and circulation status.

Future enhancements to USCAN Web will allow for easier advanced search capabilities and a more user-friendly interface. Questions or comments regarding USCAN Web are welcome and can be sent to: WebPac@gwm.sc.edu.