



**Music 100**  
**Assignment – Library Catalog**  
Reference Department  
Albert S. Cook Library

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**The library catalog**, lists materials available in the **Cook Library** as well as other libraries in the University System of Maryland. **The library catalog** can be searched by **TITLE**, or by **AUTHOR**, or by **SUBJECT**. Advanced search screens allow you to combine authors with titles and limit by format and date.

**To start:** Open the library's homepage at: <http://cooklibrary.towson.edu>. Go to **Research – Library Catalogs**. Open the **Cook Library Catalog**, and you will automatically be in the **Basic Search** mode.

**Search 1.**

Search for 'gamelan music' as a **subject beginning with** type of search. Scroll down to the subheading: **gamelan music -- history and criticism**. How many results did you get? \_\_\_\_\_ Now, look at the **date of publication** line for each result and see what year each book was published. What is the date of the most recent book about gamelan music that is owned by Cook Library? \_\_\_\_\_

**Search 2.**

Do an **author words** search for compact discs by **Bob Dylan** and list below the title and call number of one CD that looks interesting to you.

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Call number: \_\_\_\_\_

Is it available for checkout? \_\_\_\_\_

Which floor of the library houses the CD collection? \_\_\_\_\_

**Search 3**

Do a **title beginning with** search for **Blue Rhythms: Six Lives in Rhythm and Blues**. Click the "**All locations - availability**" link and tell me if it is available for checkout at Cook Library? \_\_\_\_\_ Tell me the names of two other state university libraries who own copies of this title? \_\_\_\_\_



Turn over →

## Search 4

**Open the catalog for USMAI and do an all campuses search for this specific title: *Music on the Internet: Understanding the New Rights and Solving New Problems* by Lupo. What campus in the USMAI system is the only owning library for this title?**

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If you wanted to get this book sent from the owning university library to Cook Library, **what catalog link/button would you click on to start this process?**

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### Search Strategy

**For questions 1 through 4:** Consider what type of search would retrieve the most targeted results for each of the following instances? For each example, circle the word that describes the type of search that you would recommend:

1. The book titled *Six Hidden Views of Japanese Music*:

**Search by:**

words anywhere      title beginning with      subject beginning with

2. A book specifically about computer music:

**Search by:**

words anywhere      author beginning with      subject beginning with

3. A book that contains any information about karaoke:

**Search by:**

words anywhere      title beginning with      author beginning with



4. The score of a musical composed by Leonard Bernstein:

**Search by:**

words anywhere      author beginning with      subject beginning with

### Quarto and Folio Location

5. Circle the location name of music stacks items that are oversized and shelved at the very beginning of the M section:

Quartos

Folios

6. Circle the location name of music stacks items that are unique in their format and are shelved on their sides at the entrance to the 5<sup>th</sup> floor:

Quartos

Folios

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