

# HISP-316 Library Guide

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## Searching MLA International Bibliography for Your Author

Go to the *Electronic Resources* page from the Wallace Library home page.  
Click on *OVID*. Now choose *MLA International Bibliography*.

 [MLA International Bibliography](#) 1963 to September 2003 update

← THIS IS THE ONE YOU WANT...

 [MLA Directory of Periodicals](#)

Try a keyword search for your author.  
Click *Perform Search*.



#	Search History	Results	Display
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Note that you can limit to Journal Articles if you wish (although books & book chapters may also be helpful for your research for this assignment).

## Sample Citation

2. Grau-Lleveria, Elena. *El uso del bolero en la narrativa de Ana Lydia Vega*. *Romance Notes*. 41(3):325-32. 2001 Spring

[Complete Reference](#) • [Library Holdings](#)

This is a journal article from the journal *Romance Notes*, volume 41, issue 3. The pages are 325-32. This issue is from Spring 2001. *MLA International Bibliography* has given us the information we need to find the particular article.

## Do We Have It?

To see whether Wallace Library holds this journal, click on [Library Holdings](#) link below the citation. This opens up another window with ELIZA (sometimes you need to click a link to launch the 2<sup>nd</sup> window). MLA will automatically search for the journal in ELIZA. *You will need to verify whether we also have the right issue.*

In the example below, it turns out we hold *Romance Notes* from volume 1, 1959 *and upwards, in print*.

ISN

<i>Title</i>	<b>Romance notes</b>
<i>Imprint</i>	[Chapel Hill, Dept. of Romance Languages, University of North Carolina]
<i>Location</i>	Periodicals
<i>LIB. HAS</i>	1- 1959-
<i>Latest Received:</i>	Winter 2003 43:2
<i>Lib. has</i>	1- 1959-

The issue we were looking for is from 2001.  
So we should be in luck!

If the “launched” ELIZA screen shows something like this, instead of a record, then we do *not* have the journal or item:

Mark	No matches found, nearby ISSN's are	Year	Entries
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">1043 7797</a>		1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">1043 8343</a>	1987	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">1043 898x</a>		1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">1043 9668</a>	1987	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">1043 9951</a>	1988	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">1043 Continental Video</a>	1985	1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">10430 Bretkorf And Hartel</a>		1
	Your entry <b>1044-0488</b> would be here		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">1044 1549</a>	1999	1

Wallace Library does not have the journal!

If there is no *Library Holdings* link for the item you want, simply open up a second browser window and search ELIZA for the journal (NOT the article) by title.

Occasionally, you will find books and book chapters in your results. If so, look up the book (NOT a book chapter) by title.

**Caution:** For most assignments, including this one, you do not want to get *dissertations*—they are too detailed and very difficult to get through Interlibrary Loan.

You can identify a dissertation in MLA thus: the citation will include *Dissertation Abstracts International* & a *Dissertation Abstract Number*.

With multiple formats (print, online, microforms) and locations for periodicals in the Library, things can get a little complicated. *If you have any questions about interpreting journal records in ELIZA, just ask for assistance at the Reference Desk!*

## Where Are Journals in Wallace Library?

Print (and Microform) Journals are shelved *by title*.

The year affects where in the Library they are shelved:

LATEST ISSUE:	Current Periodicals shelved flat, Periodicals Level (2 <sup>nd</sup> floor).
1990-CURRENT:	Periodicals Level.
1900-1989:	Stacks level, in compact shelving to your left as you enter the Stacks.
PRE-1900:	Ask at Reference Desk on Main Level.
MICROFORM:	In the Microform Room on Periodicals Level.

## To Order an Item Through Interlibrary Loan

### *Within MLA:*

- Mark desired item(s), click on *Citation Manager*, choose *Complete Record*, and click *Order*. Complete the form.
- It's a good idea to send a copy of the order to yourself—that way you will have a record of your request.

### *To Order Other Items:*

Sometimes you might encounter a reference to a book or article that you'd like to track down. Try looking up that item in MLA and ordering it from there, so you don't have to retype information.

Otherwise, you can proceed in a few ways:

- Click the **Online Request Forms** link on the Library home page. Choose the book or periodical link depending on whether you are ordering a book or an article. Complete form.
- For a book, you can also use the **WorldCat** database—a giant collective catalog for thousands of libraries around the world. There's a WorldCat link on the Electronic Resources page. Do a search for the book in WorldCat. If there are multiple editions of the book, choose the one with the most library holdings. When in an individual record, click ILL button. Complete form.

### *General Interlibrary Loan Tips*

- If you've ordered a book, when the book comes in, you will get an email notifying you to pick it up at the Library Circulation Desk.
- If you've ordered an article/book chapter, you could get it one of two ways:
  - A copy can be left in your Wheaton box.
  - You may receive an email from Interlibrary Loan with a URL, user name & password. When you go to the URL, you can download and/or print a PDF copy of your article. *You have 14 days or 5 views of the individual item, whichever comes first, before the link expires.*
- If you need an item in a week or less, contact a Reference Librarian or Interlibrary Loan staff.
- If you have not received your Interlibrary Loan item and are concerned, you are welcome to contact the Interlibrary Loan office.  
Drop by the Library, call them (x3701) or email them at [ill-link@wheatonma.edu](mailto:ill-link@wheatonma.edu).
- ***Always check ELIZA before ordering an item through Interlibrary Loan!***

## Finding Your Author in ELIZA

Try searching for your author as a *keyword*, or as an *author* (last name first).  
(A keyword search will uncover any books that have your author as a *subject*.)

## A Few Helpful Reference Books

- *The Columbia Granger's Index to Poetry in Anthologies*  
Ref PN1022 .H39 2002
- *Dictionary of Literary Biography, Vol. 145: Modern Latin-American Fiction Writers*  
Ref PQ7082.N7 M55 1994
- *Dictionary of Literary Biography, Vol. 283: Modern Spanish American Poets*  
Ref PQ7082.P7 M53 2003
- *Spanish American Authors: The Twentieth Century*  
Ref PQ7081.3 .F57 1992
- *Spanish American Women Writers*  
Ref PQ7081.Z9 S73 1990