

# Guide to book review indexes in the General Library

Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences

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## Introduction

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### **Scope of this guide**

This guide lists printed and electronic resources in the General Library that index publications containing book reviews.

### **Organisation of the guide**

The resources are arranged under multidisciplinary and subject-focused headings, and also divided by their format - print or electronic. Several resources listed under the multidisciplinary heading cover most of the subject areas of books in the General Library. For a subject-focused approach, see the appropriate section for your discipline.

### **Why use book reviews?**

Book reviews are a valuable tool for evaluating information that has been published. A book review gives a critical, analytical and informative evaluation of a particular book, and is written by a scholar or other expert in the field covered by the book, usually at the request of a periodical's editor. Book reviews range from brief summaries to substantial review essays and provide an important contribution to the essential literature of the discipline.

### **Where can I find book reviews?**

Book reviews appear in a vast number and wide variety of periodicals. The most efficient way to find a review of a particular book is to use an index that cites book reviews, and directs you to the precise volume, issue, and page number of the review.

### **Types of book review indexes**

Indexes to book reviews may be multidisciplinary in coverage. Others specialise in a specific subject area. There is some overlap in this guide if an index covers more than one subject discipline.

### **Formats of book review indexes**

Both multidisciplinary and subject-specific indexes may be available in a printed format in the Library collections, or via electronic databases subscribed to by the Library. Some of these electronic databases are available via LEARN, and others at a single [standalone] workstation in the Library only.

When using an electronic index, check whether it provides full text of the review or a bibliographic reference to it. If you are uncertain on this point ask staff at the Level 1 Enquiry Desk. With printed indexes, read the introduction, as it will usually give sample searches and instructions for use.

### **Chronological coverage of indexes**

For both types and formats of index, check the range of dates that they cover. This is especially important for printed indexes, where the Library may not have subscribed to it from its inception, or may have ceased subscription at a certain date. Also, it may have been superseded by an electronic version, or ceased publication in its printed format. Voyager, the on-line catalogue, will indicate the Library's holdings under the 'Library has' heading of the catalogue record. The introductory screen of each electronic index has a 'Content' heading, where coverage is explained.

## Multidisciplinary Indexes

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### Print

*The book review digest.* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B721**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Combined retrospective index to book reviews in scholarly journals, 1886-1974.*  
Arlington, Va. : Carrollton Press, 1979-1982.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028.1 C72**

Forster, Antonia. *Index to book reviews in England, 1749-1774.* Carbondale : Southern Illinois University Press, 1990.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028.1 F73**

*Humanities Index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61h**

*Index to Australian book reviews.* Adelaide, S.A. : Libraries Board of South Australia, 1965-1981.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 I38a**

*An index to book reviews in the humanities.* Williamston, Mich. : P. Thomson.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 I38**

*Index to New Zealand periodicals.* Dunedin, N.Z. : Otago Branch N.Z.L.A., 1941/46-1986.  
**General Library NZ & Pacific 052 I38**

*Nineteenth century readers' guide to periodical literature, 1890-1899, with supplementary indexing 1900-1922.* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 N71**

*Poole's index to periodical literature.* Gloucester, Mass. : P. Smith.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 P82**

*Readers' guide to periodical literature.* Minneapolis : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 R28**

*Social Sciences Index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61s**



### Electronic

#### LEARN

See the **Content** section for each database before you click on **Connect** to check the subject areas and dates covered by the databases.

*Academic Research Library*  
*APAIS [Australian Public Affairs Information Service]*  
*Current Contents*  
*Expanded Academic*  
*Factiva*

*Index New Zealand*  
*Informat*  
*International Bibliography of the Social Sciences [IBSS]*  
*Newztext*  
*UnCover Plus [Ingenta]*  
*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

### **Standalone**

*Social Sciences Citation Index*

Please check at the Level 1 Enquiry Desk for the location of this database.

## **Anthropology**

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### **Print**

*The book review digest* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B721**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Combined retrospective index to book reviews in scholarly journals, 1886-1974.*  
Arlington, Va. : Carrollton Press, 1979-1982.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028.1 C72**

*Humanities index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61h**

*Index to New Zealand periodicals.* Dunedin, Otago Branch N.Z.L.A., 1941-1986.  
**General Library NZ & Pacific 052 I38**

*Reviews in Anthropology.* Philadelphia, Pa. Gordon & Breach  
**General Library Level M 572.05 R454**

*Social sciences index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61s**

### **Electronic**

#### **LEARN**

*Academic Research Library*

*Anthropology Plus*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*International Bibliography of the Social Sciences [IBSS]*

*Index New Zealand*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

*Please note there are no book reviews in Anthropological Literature*

## Applied Language Studies & Linguistics

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 **Print**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

 **Electronic**

**LEARN**

*DELTA*

*ERIC*

*Linguistics and Language Behavior Abstracts (LLBA)*

## Business & Economics

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 **Print**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Social sciences index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61s**

 **Electronic**

**LEARN**

*ABI/Inform*

*Academic Research Library*

*APAIS [Australian Public Affairs Information Service]*

*Business Source Premiere*

*Current Contents*

*EconLit*

*Emerald*

*Expanded Academic*

*Factiva*

*Index New Zealand [INNZ]*

*Informit*

*International Bibliography of the Social Sciences [IBSS]*

*Newztext*

*Science Direct*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

**Standalone**

*Social Sciences Citation Index*

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## Classics & Ancient History

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## Print

*The book review digest.* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B721**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Combined retrospective index to book reviews in scholarly journals, 1886-1974.*  
Arlington, Va. : Carrollton Press, 1979-1982.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028.1 C72**

*Humanities index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61h**



## Electronic

### LEARN

*Academic Research Library*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

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## Development Studies



## Print

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Social sciences index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61s**



## Electronic

### LEARN

*Academic Research Library*

*APAIS [Australian Public Affairs Information Service]*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*GenderWatch*

*Informit*

*International Bibliography of the Social Sciences [IBSS]*

*Science Direct*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

*Women's Resources International*

## Education

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### Print

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**



### Electronic

#### LEARN

*Academic Research Library*

*AEI - Australian Education Index*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Education Complete*

*ERIC*

*Expanded Academic*

*Informit*

*Index New Zealand*

*Philosopher's Index*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

#### Standalone

*Social Sciences Citation Index*

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## English Language & Literature

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### Print

*The book review digest.* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B721**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*An index to book reviews in the humanities.* Williamston, Mich. : P. Thomson.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 I38**

*Index to New Zealand periodicals.* Dunedin, N.Z. : Otago Branch N.Z.L.A., 1941-1987.  
**General Library NZ & Pacific 052 I38**

*Nineteenth century readers' guide to periodical literature, 1890-1899, with supplementary indexing 1900-1922.* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 N71**

*Poole's index to periodical literature.* Gloucester, Mass. : P. Smith.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 P82**

*Readers' guide to periodical literature.* Minneapolis : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 R28**



## Electronic

### LEARN

*ABELL+FT [Annual Bibliography of English Language and Literature]*

*AustLit*

*Current Contents*

*Academic Research Library*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*Index New Zealand*

*New Zealand Literature File*

*Project Muse*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

*World Shakespeare Bibliography*

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## European Languages & Literatures



### Print

*The book review digest.* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.

**General Library Arts Reference 028 B721**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.

**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*An index to book reviews in the humanities.* Williamston, Mich. : P. Thomson.

**General Library Arts Reference 028 I38**

*Readers' guide to periodical literature.* Minneapolis : H. W. Wilson Co.

**General Library Arts Reference 011 R28**



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### LEARN

*Academic Research Library*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*HAPI [Hispanic American Periodicals]*

*Historical Abstracts*

*International Medieval Bibliography*

*Project Muse*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

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## History



### Print

*The book review digest.* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.

## **General Library Arts Reference 028 B721**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.

## **General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Combined retrospective index to book reviews in scholarly journals, 1886-1974.*

Arlington, Va. : Carrollton Press, 1979-1982.

## **General Library Arts Reference 028.1 C72**

*Humanities index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.

## **General Library Arts Reference 011 I61h**



### **Electronic**

#### **LEARN**

*Academic Research Library*

*America: History and Life*

*APAIS [Australian Public Affairs Information Service]*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*HAPI [Hispanic American Periodicals]*

*Historical Abstracts*

*Index New Zealand*

*Informit*

*International Medieval Bibliography*

*Newztext*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

## **Maori Studies**

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### **Print**

*Index to New Zealand Periodicals* Dunedin, Otago Branch

N.Z.L.A., 1941-1986

## **General Library NZ & Pacific 052 I38**

*Journal of the Polynesian Society; index, volumes 1-7, 1892-1966.* Taylor, C.R.H.

Wellington.

## **General Library Maturanga Maori 572.993 P78**

*Journal of the Polynesian Society; index, volumes 76-90, 1967-1981.* Langridge, M.

Canberra. Australian National University

## **General Library Maturanga Maori 572.993 P78i**



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#### **LEARN**

*Index New Zealand*

## Philosophy

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 **Print**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Combined retrospective index to book reviews in scholarly journals, 1886-1974.*  
Arlington, Va. : Carrollton Press, 1979-1982.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028.1 C72**

*An index to book reviews in the humanities.* Williamston, Mich. : P. Thomson.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 I38**

*Humanities index.* New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61h**

*International philosophical bibliography= Répertoire bibliographique de la philosophie.*  
Louvain-la-Neuve : Editions de l'Institut supérieur de philosophie, Université catholique  
de Louvain  
**General Library Arts Reference 016.1 R42**

*The philosopher's index.* Bowling Green, Ohio, Philosophy Documentation Center,  
Bowling Green University.  
**General Library Arts Reference 016.105 P56**

 **Electronic**

**LEARN**

*Academic Research Library*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*International Medieval Bibliography*

*Philosopher's Index*

*Science Direct*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

## Political Studies

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 **Print**

*Book review index.* Detroit : Gale Research Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Nineteenth century readers' guide to periodical literature, 1890-1899, with  
supplementary indexing 1900-1922.* New York : The H. W. Wilson Co.

## **General Library Arts Reference 011 N71**

*The philosopher's index*. Bowling Green, Ohio, Philosophy Documentation Center, Bowling Green University.

**General Library Arts Reference 016.105 P56**

*Poole's index to periodical literature*. Gloucester, Mass. : P. Smith.

**General Library Arts Reference 011 P82**

*Readers' guide to periodical literature*. Minneapolis : H. W. Wilson Co.

**General Library Arts Reference 011 R28**

*Social Sciences Index*. New York : H. W. Wilson Co.

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*Philosopher's Index*

*UnCover Plus [Ingenta]*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

*Women's Resources International*

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## **Sociology**

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**General Library Arts Reference 028 B72**

*Social sciences index*. New York : H. W. Wilson Co.

**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61s**



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*APAIS [Australian Public Affairs Information Service]*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*GenderWatch*

*Index New Zealand*

*Informit*

*International Bibliography of the Social Sciences [IBSS]*

*Newztext*

*Science Direct*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

*Women's Resources International*

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*Social Sciences Citation Index*

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## Theology

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**Print**

*The philosopher's index*. Bowling Green, Ohio, Philosophy Documentation Center, Bowling Green University.

**General Library Arts Reference 016.105 P56**



**Electronic**

## LEARN

*Academic Research Library*

*Atla Religion Database*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*Expanded Academic*

*International Bibliography of the Social Sciences*

*Philosopher's Index*

*Religious Periodicals*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

## Women's Studies

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**Print**

*The philosopher's index*. Bowling Green, Ohio, Philosophy Documentation Center, Bowling Green University.

**General Library Arts Reference 016.105 P56**

*Social sciences index*. New York : H. W. Wilson Co.  
**General Library Arts Reference 011 I61s**



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*APAIS [Australian Public Affairs Information Service]*

*Current Contents*

*EBSCOhost*

*ERIC*

*Expanded Academic*

*GenderWatch*

*Index New Zealand*

*Informit*

*International Bibliography of Social Studies [IBSS]*

*Web of Science [Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Social Sciences Citation Index]*

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## **Locations**

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<b>General Library Enquiry Desk</b>	LEVEL 1
<b>General Library Maturanga Maori</b>	LEVEL G
<b>General Library NZ &amp; Pacific</b>	LEVEL G