I. INTRODUCTION

This guide covers foundational resources on international law generally and study aids. If you are searching for more specific and/or in-depth information, review our other foreign and international materials guides (https://law.duke.edu/lib/research_guide/) covering specific topics such as the UN, treaties and international criminal law. Additionally, the library collects a series titled Research Handbooks in International Law, which explains how to research international law in a range of areas including cyberspace, criminal law, and energy law. These can be located by searching the catalog with a title search for Research Handbooks in International Law.

II. DICTIONARIES AND ENCYCLOPEDIAS


Max Planck Encyclopedia of Public International Law (Reference KZ1160 .M39 2012) – highly regarded source containing scholarly articles about various aspects of public international law, making it a good place to begin your research; a regularly updated version is available electronically (http://search.library.duke.edu/search?id=DUKE004078559).

Clive Parry & John P. Grant, Parry and Grant Encyclopaedic Dictionary of International Law, 3d ed. (Reference KZ1161 .P37 2009) – defines legal terms and acronyms as used in international law; explains doctrine, prominent figures, important incident, treaties, and organizations; and discusses prominent cases, decisions, and arbitration. Also available electronically (https://search.library.duke.edu/search?id=DUKE005081154).
III. BIBLIOGRAPHIES & INDEXES

**Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals** (http://search.library.duke.edu/search?id=DUKE003131763) – indexes articles from more than 450 legal periodicals published worldwide, including journals, essay collections, festschrifths, and congress reports.


IV. TREATISES ON INTERNATIONAL LAW


Certain classic treatises on international law (such as works by Grotius, Vattel, and Pufendorf) can be found in the *Making of Modern Law: Legal Treatises 1800-1926*, available electronically (http://search.library.duke.edu/search?id=DUKE003408743), as well as through HeinOnline’s *Legal Classics Library*, which is also available electronically (http://search.library.duke.edu/search?id=DUKE003902157).


### V. STUDY AIDS


Thomas Buergenthal & Sean D. Murphy, *Public International Law in a Nutshell*, 5th ed. (Reserves KZ3410 .B84 2013)


### VI. SUBJECT HEADINGS

The following is a non-comprehensive list of related subject headings that are useful when searching our catalog (search.library.duke.edu) for additional sources.

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VII. RESEARCH GUIDES AND TEXTS

American Society of International Law (ASIL), *Electronic Information System for International Law (ESIL)*, (http://www.eisil.org/), a database of links to international law resources (including the texts of primary sources and research guides). ASIL also puts out the *International Judicial Monitor (IJM)* (http://www.judicialmonitor.org), published with the International Judicial Academy.


*Guide to International Legal Research* (Reference KZ1234 .G85 2016)


*Duke Law School Library: Comparative & International Law Links* (http://law.duke.edu/lib/foreign)


For hands-on practice researching international law, take a look at the Duke University School of Law and University of California, Berkeley, School of Law *International Legal Research Tutorial* (http://www.law.duke.edu/ilrt/).