



How to use your Athens Account

Why Do You Need an Athens Account?

Athens is a national authentication scheme which allows you to use the electronic resources to which the library subscribes, wherever you have access to the Internet. You do not have to pay for this account. It works while in the University, and also at home or even abroad.

The electronic resources include:

- searchable databases of journal articles and conference papers. (Often, but not always, the references you find will let you read the full text of the item.)
- access to electronic versions of journals and some e-books.

You will also need to use your Athens details when asked to 'login via the UK Federation'.

How Students Obtain an Athens Account

Athens accounts are created automatically for all registered students and sent to your DMU student email www.dmu.ac.uk/email/

Your Athens **username** is always dmu followed by your student number **without** the P prefix e.g. dmu01234567. Your individual Athens **password** is sent to your DMU student email account. You should save this message for future reference.

You can login directly to the MyAthens site www.athensams.net/myathens/ to test your account.

We strongly recommend that to search appropriate subject databases, you go to the DMU Library home page, and then to the Subject guides, select your subject, then Databases.

How Staff Obtain an Athens Account

Members of staff may apply online www.library.dmu.ac.uk/Services/Athens/index.php?page=103. You can also visit an information desk in the Library or email your subject librarian.

Changing Your Password

If you wish to change your password so that you can remember it more easily, you can go to MyAthens <http://www.athensams.net/myathens/>

You will need to use your current username and password. Select the Change Password option on the resources page.

Lost, Forgotten or Never Had Your Password?

You can reset a lost password using the 'Reset your Athens password' form at www.library.dmu.ac.uk/Support/Justask/. You just need your DMU account username and University email address to do this.

Code of Conduct

Users of the databases available through the Library are bound by the CHEST Code of Conduct <http://www.eduserv.org.uk/chest/conduct.html>