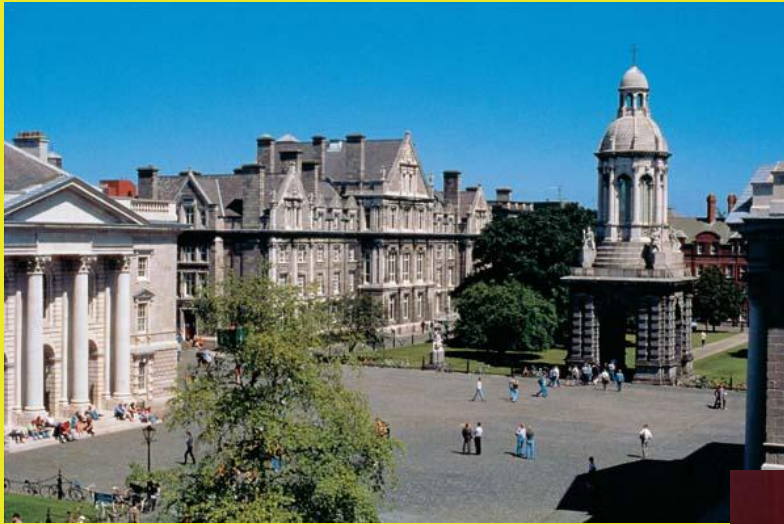


Ebooks @ NRC

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Book of Kells



The NRC experience

Jan 2009 – initial consultation

To participate -

- Download the spreadsheet which was divided into broad subject headings
- Ask tutors to prioritise the books
- Return the results to JISC.
- Simple????

[Consultation booklist](#)



Countdown...

February – May...UK Access Management Federation & Shibboleth...and we waited...

July 2009...Backlog of subscriptions due to large volume of orders...and so we waited...

August 2009IP Access or Shibboleth Access?

Importing of ebooks into Heritage and Autolib catalogues...and we waited...

September 2009...Mission accomplished!!!

How have we promoted the service?

- Detailed induction for students
- Drop-in sessions for staff and students
- Inclusion in Online catalogue
- Paper list of ebooks available in each subject area
- Word of mouth

Feedback

“I personally have found the ebooks to be a wonderful resource, I regularly recommend them for use by my Game Dev students and I have used them as classroom teaching resource via the data projector: to force all to concentrate on the diagram / graphic – saved me having to scan and load onto BlackBoard resources – brilliant resource. “

Selling points

- Unlimited simultaneous access
- Online 24/7 access
- Portability
- Copy and paste and automatic citations
- Accessibility for students with special needs
- Information retrieval
- User personalisation - bookshelves

Support from the ebooks for FE-project

- Powerpoint presentation introducing ebooks to users
- Online training sessions
- Promotional posters
- List of most popular textbooks by subject area

ALL OF THESE ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE:

<http://fe.jiscebooksproject.org/>

Things you can't do with an e book

- Prop open a door
- Improve your department
- Press flowers
- Cure your cattle
- But who knows what the future will bring?

