

# OSU LIBRARY SEPTEMBER 2008 UPDATE

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## CONSTITUTION DAY FEATURES MICKEY EDWARDS, 9/17 AT 3:30 PM

The OSU Library and the OSU Political Science department will host former Oklahoma Congressman and foreign affairs expert Mickey Edwards for a talk titled “National Security and the Rule of Law,” at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 17, in the Peggy V. Helmerich Browsing Room.

Edwards, who held his position in Congress for Oklahoma’s 5th district for 16 years, currently lectures at Princeton, writes weekly columns in the Chicago Tribune, Boston Globe and Los Angeles Times, and is a host of a weekly political commentary broadcast on National Public Radio.

“National Security and the Rule of Law” is the debate occurring between providing adequate national security against those foreign and domestic while citizens retain their rights. Edwards believes special care is required to protect legal rights, which are most important during times of emergency.

The event is free and open to the public.

## WEB OF KNOWLEDGE – NEW FEATURE & UPDATED JOURNAL CITATION REPORTS

New features have been added to ISI Web of Knowledge. Most notably, a citation mapping tool has been incorporated to provide researchers with a visual result to their research.

The citation mapping tool tracks an article’s cited and citing references through two generations, allowing researchers to visually discover an article’s wider relationships. The resulting “family tree” of information can be utilized by the researcher to highlight the citation relationships most important to their research.

Databases searchable via the Web of Knowledge platform include:

- ***Science Citation Index Expanded***
- ***Social Sciences Citation Index***
- ***Arts & Humanities Citation Index®***
- ***CAB Abstracts® (1910-present)***
- ***Food Science and Technology Abstracts™ (1969-present)***
- ***MEDLINE® (1950-present)***

Learn more about these databases at <http://www.library.okstate.edu/news/fall08/web.htm>

### ***Journal Citation Reports***

On July 1, 2008 Journal Citation Reports was updated to include 2007 data. A recognized authority for evaluating journals, Journal Citation Reports presents quantifiable statistical data that provides a systematic, objective way to evaluate the world's leading journals and their impact and influence in the global research community.

In 2005, JCR Web, available via ISI Web of Knowledge, expanded its analytical capabilities beyond the journal level to include the subject category level. The additional data makes it easier for users to understand performance metrics in context and facilitate collection management decisions. Related Journals enable users to see which journals share citations, and are therefore related. This analytical feature is available at both the journal level and the journal category level.

### **TELL YOUR STUDENTS: THE LIBRARY NOW HAS ALUMNI ACCESS**

The OSU Library has partnered with the Alumni Association to provide off-campus access to thousands of magazines, newspapers, periodicals, scientific and professional journals and trade publications. OSU is the first university library in the state to offer an alumni access program.

The resources that have been licensed for Alumni access include:

- ***ProQuest Research Library*** -one-stop access to a wide range of popular academic subjects. The database includes more than 3,950 titles—over 2,700 in full text—from 1971 forward. It features a highly-respected, diversified mix of scholarly journals, trade publications, magazines and newspapers.
- ***ABI Inform*** -one of the most comprehensive business databases on the market. It includes in-depth coverage for over 2,890 publications, with more than 1,920 available in full text. ABI/INFORM™ offers the latest business and financial information for researchers at all levels.
- ***Ethnic News Watch*** -features newspapers, magazines and journals of the ethnic and minority press, providing researchers access to essential, often overlooked perspectives. With titles dating from 1990, ENW presents a comprehensive, full-text collection of nearly 1.6 million articles from more than 280 publications offering both national and regional coverage.
- ***Factiva*** -provides access to more than 14,000 sources from 159 countries in 22 languages, including more than 400 continuously updated newswires. And, more than 2,300 sources are available on or before the date of publication. Unique content available from Factiva includes company reports, historical market data, pictures from Reuters and Knight-Ridder.

The cost for the Alumni Access Program is jointly funded by the OSU Libraries and the OSU Alumni Association. Online Library Access is a member-only benefit and requires active and current membership in the OSU Alumni Association. To begin accessing the library online you will need to have your nine-digit Membership ID Number (found on your membership card). More information is available at: <http://orangeconnection.org/s/860/index-blue.aspx?sid=860&gid=1&pgid=485>.

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