

Athens explained

Athens is a system for controlling access to web-based subscriptions, including many of those provided by The Library. As a University member, you will be given your own Athens username and password, to allow you access to our electronic resources. You may also receive Athens login details from other organisations connected to your programme, such as the NHS, to access their subscriptions.

Your Athens username and password is strictly confidential and should not be shared with anyone else.

Please read the terms and conditions on the Athens website at www.athensams.net/. Any abuse of licence conditions may lead to withdrawal of access to Athens subscriptions.

Getting a password

Once you have received an IT account from the University you will be able to access your Athens account details. To do this:

- Log on to a PC on campus and open your F: drive. Open the file called *Password.txt* and you will find your Athens username and password.
- or
- If you are off campus, you can login to your filestore (F drive) and find *Password.txt*. To access your filestore visit www.filestore.salford.ac.uk/ and enter your network username and password. When asked to supply a username and password use the following:

USERNAME: *isdads\network username* (e.g. isdads\ABC123)

PASSWORD: *your network password*

[You will need to use 'isdads\' before your username or your F: drive will not be visible.]

or

- Visit a library Enquiry Desk with your University ID card.

Accessing the resources

You can access Athens resources via SOLAR, which is available from the Student Channel website at <http://students.salford.ac.uk>.

From here you can access various databases which will provide you with references to relevant articles in your subject. Some of these also allow you to view the full article online. There are also online newspapers and dictionaries, electronic books and journals, and other general resources.

Getting help

Most resources have their own Help system available, offering searching tips on how to get the best results. Alternatively, visit an Enquiry Desk or contact your Academic Support Librarian, see www.salford.ac.uk/library/subjects.