CRG & Law

Law scholars are asked to analyze, decode, and interpret complicated texts. Scholars of comparative or international law must be capable of doing these things in multiple languages, using original language documents. East View saw the opportunity to make one aspect of this work more accessible. By creating China Research Gateway (CRG), complete with an English-language portal, user guides, and enhanced support from a team based in North America, East View has simplified the research process for law scholars interested in Chinese law. Scholars can discover new resources on the portal homepage and then browse these resources with greater ease. With CRG, law libraries can refer students interested in Chinese law to a single URL, which houses the greatest breadth of Chinese resources ever available in North America. CRG offers a new level of access to Chinese publications, including legal documents and government announcements. With these resources, a law scholar can develop a nuanced and accurate analysis of Chinese laws, without getting lost in difficult-to-discover materials.

Strengths in CRG

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New Resources for Law Students

While some of the databases in CRG, like China Academic Journals, are already familiar to researchers, many databases present new territory. Among those that most North American libraries have rarely subscribed to before are China Legal Knowledge, China Government Gazettes, and China Patents.
CRG Coverage of Hot Topics in Law

China’s revamped Anti-Monopoly Law took effect on August 1, 2022. The revisions fight the consolidation of technology firms in China by preventing large companies from forcing smaller ones into exclusive contracts. Leading up to the revision, numerous large companies – foreign and domestic alike – had been penalized for forcing smaller technology start-ups into exclusive partnerships. **CRG has over 91,000 journal articles about the Anti-Monopoly Law.**

China’s household registration, or *Hukou*, system, which designates each citizen as a rural or urban resident, governs the movement of China’s populace and creates manifold inequalities. **China Legal Knowledge is a database devoted to the world of legal publications in China and has over 4.2 million articles related to Hukou requirements, covering journal articles, laws and regulations, and cases.** China Government Gazettes contains over 28,000 articles about the Hukou system published by local government gazettes. China Monographic Serials, which provides peer-reviewed research series each published as monographs, contains almost 12,500 titles on Hukou, spanning crime rates, reform efforts, and social integration.

Specialty Law Databases

- **CLKD China Legal Knowledge**
  A comprehensive cross-database legal knowledge discovery service for resources on Chinese laws and regulations

- **CGGD China Government Gazettes**
  Authoritative collection of political newspapers, bulletins, announcements and other official regulations, proclamations, and research

- **CAJ China Academic Journals**
  The most comprehensive full-text database of Chinese journals in the world, covering 99.9% of all academic journals published in China

- **CPCD-CPFD China Conference Proceedings**
  The most comprehensive full-text database of proceedings from national conferences in China

- **CPCD-IFPD International Conference Proceedings**
  Comprehensive collection of international conference proceedings on a wide variety of topics

- **SCPD China Patents**
  The most complete and accurate patent database of images and texts, and the only database associated with technology research and technological output in China

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