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Where to access the ODNB

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You can also access the ODNB using the PDF Gamble Guide listing all electronic resources which is emailed out by the Librarian.

Once you click on the 'Oxford DNB' icon you will be prompted to enter your Union Theological College email address and password. You will then be redirected to the ODNB landing page.

The ODNB holds over 60,000 biographies and 11,000 portraits of influential people who shaped British history. Each January new individuals who passed away four years ago or more are added. The ODNB is updated monthly by academics at Oxford University.

Simple search

You can search the ODNB by typing in names ('Article titles') in the search box and clicking the magnifying glass or pressing enter on your keyboard:



Occupations Religious Affiliation

John Owen

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Results can then be refined on the left. For example, you can choose to see just articles rather than articles and images in your results. You can enter the date range they may be from. Alternatively, scroll down the results list and select the individual you are interested in by clicking on the article title:

Life event ⓘ

 Date
 Date range Single date
 From
 To
 Location

Owen, John (1616–1683), theologian and Independent minister

Richard L. Greaves

Published in print: 23 September 2004

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Owen, John [Joannes Audoenus] (1563/4–1622?), Latin poet

Within the article be aware of the different features which are there to help you:



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(1616–1683)

Richard L. Greaves

<https://doi.org/10.1093/ref.odnb/21016>

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Article title and life dates of the individual. Author of the article is named under this.

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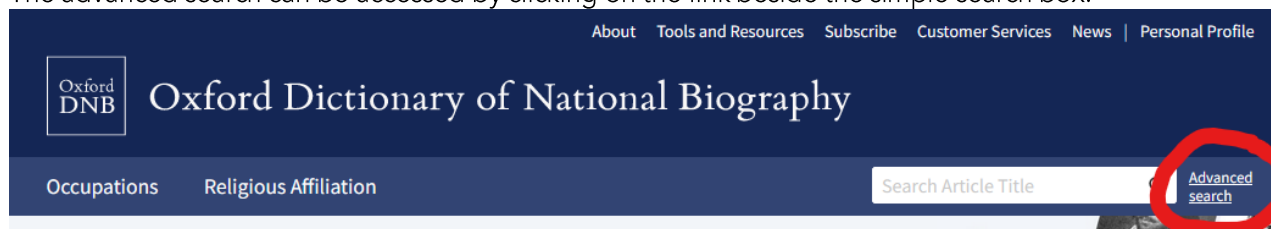
These icons allow you to:

- Download the article PDF
- Save the article to your personal profile. (See page 7 for how to create a personal profile)
- Generate the article's citation (NB this is different to the College's referencing system so use with caution)
- Email the content to someone or copy a link to the article. (Only College staff and students will have access to the article's full text).

The article's contents are on the left of the screen and you can click the heading you want to go directly to its content.
 'Sources' give the list of references consulted to write the article and so are very useful.
 'Likenesses' list the portraits, engravings etc. of the individual which are available.
 'External resources' give links to other websites which give information on the individual.
 'Abbreviations' link to all abbreviations used in the ODNB.

Advanced search

The advanced search can be accessed by clicking on the link beside the simple search box:





If you have already done a simple search the advanced search options will be listed on the left of the webpage. The advanced search will allow you to search within a range of fields, not just the article title. For example, you can search for all articles on male ministers who were around from 1600 to 1700 in Ireland:

Modify your search

Term

Statement of Occupation

minister

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1700

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Adair, Patrick (1624?–1693/4), Presbyterian minister and historian

Finlay Holmes

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Article

Alexander, John (1686–1743), minister of the Presbyterian General Synod of Ulster

Alexander Gordon revised by M. J. Mercer

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Alexander, John (1686–1743), **minister** of the Presbyterian General Synod of Ulster , was born on 30 September 1686 at Temple Patrick, co. Antrim , the son of John Alexander (d. 1712) , and his wife, Mary Hamilton. His father was the fourth son of William Alexander, first earl of Stirling. He was educated at Glasgow University where he matriculated on 3 March 1701. He subsequently trained for the ministry, probably under Samuel Jones at Gloucester and later at Tewkesbury. About 1713 he became the first **minister** of the newly opened Independent chapel

Article

Blackwood, Christopher (1607/8–1670), Particular Baptist minister

Richard L. Greaves

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Particular Baptist **minister** , was born in August 1607 or 1608, in Yorkshire , the youngest son of William Blackwood. After matriculating at the age of thirteen from Pembroke College, Cambridge , at Easter 1621, he graduated BA in 1625. He was ordained a priest in the diocese of London on 8 June 1628, at which time he was referred to as having the MA degree. After serving as vicar of Stockbury, Kent , in 1631, he was curate of Rye, Sussex , from 1632 to 1635. On emigrating to New England in 1640, he succeeded John Lathrop as **minister** at Scituate in Plymouth

Article

Boyd, William (1685–1772), minister of the Presbyterian General Synod of Ulster

Alexander Gordon revised by W. D. Bailie

Published in print: 23 September 2004

You can refine this search further, by for example selecting 'Religion and belief' under occupation:



Occupations

- ▶ Education and scholarship (2)
- ▶ Medicine and health (1)
- ▶ [Religion and belief \(29\)](#)
- ▶ Writing and publishing (1)

Religious Affiliation

- ▶ Christianity (29)

Publication date

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1-20 of 29 Results for:

- ⊗ Statement of Occupation: minister
 - ⊗ Religion and belief
 - ⊗ Sex: Male
 - ⊗ Any in Ireland: 1600 to 1700 (year)
- [Clear all](#)



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Browse the ODNB

It is also possible to browse the ODNB by 'Occupation' and 'Religious affiliation' by selecting the relevant heading from the ribbon at the top of the screen:

These can be further refined on the left of the screen.

Other useful tools and resources

Under 'Tools and Resources' 'Free ODNB' there are a range of useful free lists that could be helpful in research.

For example, 'Local lives' has a Northern Ireland Lives' section which lists 2,000 notable people with links to the Province.

If you have any further questions about the ODNB ask Library staff.