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### ProQuest Entrepreneurship

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staff. The basic search function appears to search keywords across metadata such as title, author, funder, publisher, and abstract. The advanced function allows users to search across a wider range of indexes and limit to publication type. Users may browse by topic, author, funder, and publisher and use Topic Quick Links ranging from Agriculture to Transportation.

This ambitious, open-access site is self-described as "a comprehensive digital library of public policy research containing over 13,500 documents." Further description under Press Room indicates that the next version will include "the beginning of an online community, with user ratings and reviews, newsletters," and more. The publishers' list reflects an eclectic mix of major organizations (e.g., RAND Corporation, Cato Institute, Heritage Foundation, Library of Congress) and relatively unknown groups (Cincinnati Community Action Now). Determining what percentage of output is represented by any single organization is difficult because of the site's acquisition model; e.g., Cato, a prolific publisher, is credited with a mere 124 publications. What is more, having organizations take responsibility for registering and uploading content means that smaller regional policy groups such as the Mackinac Center <<http://www.mackinac.org/>> may be less likely to have papers represented. Quibbles about the site's comprehensiveness aside, *PolicyArchive* is a tremendous boon to a wide range of users seeking this difficult-to-find material. The site merits extra consideration for its stated commitment to long-term preservation and access. **Summing Up:** Recommended. ★★ Lower-level undergraduates and above; general audience.—S. W. Nicholson, *Michigan State University*

④ **46-2455** [Internet Resource]  
**ProQuest Entrepreneurship.** ProQuest. Annual academic subscription is about \$13,230.00 for a 4-year institution with 10,000 FTE. URL: <http://www.proquest.com/>

[Visited Oct'08] More and more colleges are offering entrepreneurship courses that introduce students to the fundamentals of creating, financing, and owning a business. A study by the Johnson Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation at Indiana University found that since the 1980s, the number of universities offering entrepreneurship courses has grown from 300 to 1,600. Libraries have responded to students' need to conduct entrepreneurship research by acquiring many resources for this field, but unfortunately the information is scattered throughout various resources. *ProQuest Entrepreneurship* provides a central access point for entrepreneurship resources. Updated weekly, this database offers resources for both the theory and practice of entrepreneurship, including material from scholarly publications (journals, dissertations, working papers, and conference proceedings) and practitioner's tools (guides, templates, forms, and sample business plans). The database also features business cases from prestigious business schools, along with video clips in which successful entrepreneurs share their business experiences. *ProQuest Entrepreneurship* includes publications from top information sources such as BizMiner, New Strategist Publications, *The Snapshots Series* <<http://www.proquest.com/>> (CH, Jul'08, 45-5941), *Social Science Research Network* <<http://www.ssrn.com/>> (CH, Sep'07, 45-0058), Cornell's eClips, the Direct Marketing Association, Emerald Publications, SEC annual reports, and Wiley's "For Dummies" book series, among others. This reviewer's only suggestion would be to enrich the Market Reports area because the majority of that information comes from marketing journals and Hoover's Company Records, rather than providers such as First Research, *MarketResearch.com* (CH, Sup'04, 41Sup-0405), Datamonitor, or *IBISWorld* (CH, Apr'06, 43-4410).

The database has a simple design and an uncomplicated user interface that makes information accessible with a simple click. Options include a simple search; an advanced search; a unique Data and Reports search that allows users to target particular companies, industries, and market reports; and a Publications search that lets users create RSS feeds to specific journals. The Browse function covers nine major areas: Business Start-up, Funding Sources, Legal Issues, Management and Leadership, Marketing and Sales, Operations Management, Product Development and Management, Profit and Financial Management, and Special Topics. Each of these areas subdivides into other related topics. Quick links in the browsing section take users to business cases, company profiles, market research reports, business plan samples, video clips, and business guides. *ProQuest Entrepreneurship* is an excellent resource that is both user-friendly and up-to-date. The subscription is expensive, but ProQuest should be commended for its efforts to gather so much entrepreneurship literature in one place. **Summing Up:** Highly recommended. ★★★ Upper-level undergraduates through professionals/practitioners.—L. Camacho, *Brigham Young University*

**46-2456** K3240 2007-28864 CIP  
Shelton, Dinah. **Regional protection of human rights.** Oxford, 2008. 2v index afp ISBN 9780195371659, \$195.00

Shelton (George Washington Univ. Law School) has compiled a very well-written two-volume text that works additionally as an introduction to and reference for those interested in the dilemma of human rights in a world that does not always share the definition of right and rights for all people. David Weissbrodt and Connie de la Vega's *International Human Rights Law* (2007) is comparable, but not as comprehensive. For multiple countries, regions, and continents, Shelton investigates the history leading to and the current situation regarding universal rights, then explores and reports recommendations that would bring a particular region into compliance with universal standards, and to fulfillment of international laws. Though the book is written in a scholarly style, it is very methodical; the index, inclusive table of cases, abbreviations list, extensive bibliography, and accompanying documentary supplement are thorough and valuable. This set makes further research uncomplicated for students, advocates, and other practitioners in the fields of political science, sociology, justice studies, women's studies, law, and history. Potential audiences include students in two-year technical programs for health- and agriculture-related professions that require travel. This set is reasonably priced for the material provided. **Summing Up:** Highly recommended. ★★★ All levels.—J. Q. Vance, *Walla Walla Community College*

**46-2457** DJK48 2007-43061 MARC  
Webb, Adrian. **The Routledge companion to Central and Eastern Europe since 1919.** Routledge, 2008. 363p index ISBN 0415445639, \$117.00; ISBN 9780415445634, \$117.00

Webb (independent scholar) offers the latest addition to the "Companions to History" series of reference guides to key historical events and geographic areas. These comprehensive guides offer essential apparatus for navigating through the topics under consideration, including introductory articles, biographies, and chronologies. Dedicated to central and eastern Europe, this new volume covers the area's historic, social, political, economic, and cultural development, beginning with the Treaty of Versailles, continuing through the two world wars and their aftermaths, followed by the social uprisings of