Basic search

Use the <u>search box</u> to find descriptions in ICA-AtoM that contain matching text. The <u>search box</u> is available on every screen for every user.

- 1. Enter a search term in the search box.
- 2. Click on search.
- 3. ICA-AtoM searches all <u>fields</u> in all <u>archival descriptions</u> and returns matches on the <u>search results</u> <u>screen</u>.
- 4. The <u>search results screen</u> shows the search parameters and the numbers of matches found. By default, ICA-AtoM lists results 10 at a time, providing pagination at the bottom of the page to allow users to navigate through long lists of results. <u>Administrators</u> can increase or decrease this default number (See <u>UM-7.3.3 Specify number of hits per page</u>).
- 5. For each match, the <u>search results screen</u> shows:
 - The description title.
 - The first three lines of the *scope and content* field (if it contains any data).
 - A link to the highest <u>level of description</u> to which the match belongs.
- 6. Click a title to view the full description (this routes you to the record's <u>view screen</u>).

Notes and limitations

As of the current version of ICA-AtoM (v1.0 beta):

- Search is **not** case-sensitive.
- You can only search <u>archival descriptions</u>; you cannot currently search <u>authority records</u>, <u>archival institutions</u>, or <u>terms</u> unless they are linked to specific <u>archival descriptions</u>.
- You cannot save the search results.
- There is currently no advanced search screen. But see <u>UM-4.2 Advanced search</u> for advanced search techniques that can be used in the basic search box.
- Search runs on the language specified by the <u>language view</u>. It will not display results for descriptions that are not translated into the current language.

Future releases of ICA-AtoM (post-1.0) will address current limitations.

