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# Cataloguing the Fermoy Gaelic Manuscripts

## Interactive Processes at Maynooth University Library

In September 2014, a collection of 50 unique handwritten Gaelic manuscripts from St. Colman's College, Cork dating from the 18th & 19th centuries were originally catalogued based on aspects of DCRM(MSS) at Maynooth University Library in a social context

### Social Cataloguing



Alerted MU conservation team to damaged material



Enrolled in MOOC on Reading Paleography



Engaged with students through online forum in identifying inscriptions

### The Collection



Covers aspects of Irish literary heritage

Features tracts on cryptology, the Ogham alphabet & Irish mythology

### Challenges



Deciphering script

Creating detailed original records

### Outcome



Collection embedded to support teaching and research aims of MU

Consolidating collection related to social history of Ireland



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