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1. This central search box has several search options that will help you look for different things.
	* Use the **“OneSearch”** box to search 150 databases and Oviatt catalog for books, articles, dvds/videos, music To start, type your topic in the box and from the results choose either “**Articles” tab** for journal articles or **“Books and Media” tab** for catalog material. Refine limits are on the left. Save record to export or email
	* **“Library Catalog”** option allows you to search for materials (like books, journals and dvds) in the library.
	* **“Journals”** advises which magazines, newspapers and journals we have in the library or online. For a more detailed list of article databases by subject area, click the “Find Articles by Subject” link (#3).
	* **“Audio/Video”** explains how to search for sound recordings, videos and DVDs in the library catalog.
	* **“Archival Sources”** links to Special Collections & Archives Finding Aid Database.
	* **“ScholarWorks”** allows you to search for intellectual materials from CSUN faculty, staff and students.
2. **Research Strategies**: Learn the basics of doing library research here,
3. **Find Articles by Subject:** Browse online databases to find individual articles by subject area. **Subject: Health Sciences + Nursing** at **http://library.calstate.edu/northridge/databases/subject/health-sciences-nursing**
4. **Databases A-Z:** If you know the article database you’re looking for, click here to get an A-Z list,
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8. **Reserve A Study Room:** Use this link to reserve one of the library’s group or individual study rooms.
9. **Ask a Librarian:** Need research help from a librarian? You can come to the reference desk, call us, email us, text us or learn how to chat with a librarian online 24/7.

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**Research Worksheet**

Research Topic: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Key concepts or search terms:

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**Boolean Searching Tip: AND vs OR (and truncation)**

 **Useful in Ebscohost, Proquest, Gale, databases**

**Use AND between terms to narrow your search**

 **legislat\* AND California AND (Marijuana or Cannabis)**

**Use OR and/or truncate (\*, ?) words to broaden your search**

**e.g. teen\* will find teen, teens, teenager, teenagers**

 **e.g. child\* (will find child, children, childhood .)**

(check online help for correct truncation symbol)

Types of sources needed

Scholarly Journal Articles

Trade journals

Newspapers

**Websites demonstrated**

**MedlinePlus at** [**http://medlineplus.gov**](http://medlineplus.gov)

**Also offers health news at**

[**http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/healthnews.html**](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/healthnews.html)

**Offical California Legislative Information gives status and history of bills** at  <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billSearchClient.xhtml>

California State assembly at <http://assembly.ca.gov/assemblymembers>

**California Senate at  <http://senate.ca.gov/>**

**Databases demonstrated in sessions**

**OneSearch\_-** 150 databases, 2 tabs, electronic shelf, save records, view saved records, **can** export to EndNote

**CINAHLPlus with Full Text (EbscoHost**-- CINAHL subject headings, cited references, evidence based care sheets (Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature=CINAHL) + 24 databases

**PubMed and MEDLINEPlus** - indexes medical literature using the controlled vocabulary, MeSH headings, consumer health handouts in MEDLINEPlus

**Proquest databases** –has 19 databases Newspapers (Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles Daily News)

**LEXIS/Nexis Academic** - legislation, newspaper articles, and more-

**Library Catalog –** contains catalog record for all books, journals, videos, sound records Library has

**EndnoteWeb\_-** sign up (<http://library.csun.edu/restricted/endnote.scr>) for a free account**,**  organize research, cite APA Style. Examples below of APA style for an online journal article **without** a DOI(digital object identifier) and an example of how to cite a California Bill. APA style adopts the Blue Book style for legal citations,

 Assem. Bill 445, 2013-2014 Reg. Sess. (Cal. 2014).

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Baker, A. (2010). California passes water management legislation for the future. *Journal of the American Water Works Association, 102*(1), 16-18.  Retrieved from http://www.jstor.org/stable/41313793.

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