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	* Use the **“OneSearch”** box to search the library’s databases and catalog for books, articles, dvds/videos, music and other things. 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 records for books, journals, videos, and more
	* **“Library Catalog”** option allows you to search for materials (like books, journals and dvds) in the library.
	* **“Journals”** tells you 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.
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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. Librarian speaking to you today is **Marcia Henry** email: **mhenry@csun.edu**The web page for Professor Ward’s class is at **http://library.csun.edu/Guides/RTM300**

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**Research Worksheet**

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

Key concepts or search terms:

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

 **(Useful in Ebscohost, Proquest, Gale, library catalog)**

**Use AND between terms to narrow your search -e.g. (leisure OR recreation\* ) AND national parks**

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

**e.g. recreation\* OR sports OR games**

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

(check online help for correct truncation symbol)

Types of sources needed (check all that apply):

Books □

Scholarly Journal Articles □

**Websites**

Information about community

***Healthy City*** at <http://www.healthycity.org/>

[**San Fernando Valley Statistics and Facts**](http://library.csun.edu/Guides/SFValley) at

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Databases demonstrated

* **OneSearch -150 databases**
* **EbscoHost databases** –Academic Search Premier, CINAHLPlus (Nursing & Allied Health) , PsycInfo, ERIC, Business
* **Proquest** –ABI/Inform, GenderWatch

**Library Catalog** - Do we own these titles?: ***Journal of Leisure Research? Los Angeles Times?***

**APA Style** –examples below—journal library owns in print, free online article, article with doi Idigital object identifier)

Anderson, D. M., & Shinew, K. J. (2001). A national examination of gender equity in public parks and recreation. *Journal of Leisure Research, 33*(4), 470-491.

Carlson, S. A., Brooks, J. D., Brown, D. R., & Buchner, D. M. (2010). Racial/ethnic differences in perceived access, environmental barriers to use, and use of community parks. *Preventing Chronic Disease, 7*(3), 1-10.  Retrieved September 22, 2013, from http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2879981/pdf/PCD2879973A2879949.pdf.

Shinew, K. J., Floyd, M. F., & Parry, D. (2004). Understanding the relationship between race and leisure activities and constraints: Exploring an alternative framework. *Leisure Sciences, 26*(2), 181-199. doi: 10.1080/01490400490432109

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