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HSCI 345: Public Health Issues Research Tips

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Library Research Resources for Public Health Issues- scroll down to find recommendations for Government Legislative websites

Getting Started

- **Research Strategies: A Five-Step Guide** -- tips for how to get started, find sources, write, and cite
- **Research Project Calculator** -- create a timeline for completing your assignment
- **Handout** -- latest version highlighting all library services, databases and website demionstrated   in class session(s)

Accessing Library Resources from Off Campus

As a CSUN student you can access most databases from off campus, anywhere around the world. You just need to make sure you have your PORTAL username and password. When you click on a database from off campus, you will see a login screen. When you've entered the ID and password information, you'll be redirected to the database.

Books

- Course Textbook: **Essentials of Public Health** by Bernard Turnock. Current volume on Reserve Floor 4 East Wing **[Reserve Room and Reserve Desk]**
- **Library Catalog** -- search the library catalog for books, journal titles, media and other materials

Periodical Articles

Search the library's databases to find journal, magazine and newspaper articles.

News, Current Events, General Information

- **OneSearch** - indexes 150 databases
- **Academic Search Premier** -- Multi-

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Related Guides

Subject Guides

- Environmental Statistics & Research
- Health Information from the Federal Government
- Health Sciences: A

Citing your sources EndNote Web

- Learn how to sign up and use **Endnote Web** . You can import bibliographic records from a variety of resources to create your own personal database of articles, books, websites. Use EndNote Web to collect, manage, and create a bibliography or works cited list from your citations.

Registration is free while you are a student. First time, to sign up for your EndNoteWeb account, you can connect directly to http://library.csun.edu/restricted/endnote.scr . In addition to asking Marcia Henry and other librarians for help, Endnote Web will also answer your questions about installing the Cite While you Write plugin for Microsoft Word on your own computer. If you install Cite While You Write plugin on your own computer in your MicroSoft Word, be sure to set Preferences so it goes to the url:
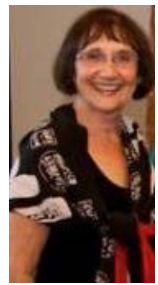
http://www.myendnoteweb.com

on your own computer you can put in the working email address you used to sign up with EndNoteWeb, your password, and check Keep me logged in.

Tutorials for Endnote Web are provided at library.csun.edu/FindResources/i-Endnoteweb

Endnote Web technical support's telephone number is (800)336-4474

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 Call Monday-Friday 6:00am-5:00 pm (Pacific Coast Time)

- CSUN Research Guide
- Health Statistics: A CSUN Research Guide
- Nursing: An Oviatt Library Research Guide

Course Guides

- NURS 318: Itroduction to Professional Nursing Library Research Tips
- ATHS502: Seminar Human Characteristics in Relation to Usability of Assistive Technolgies
- Health Science 390L: Biostatistics Research tips
- Health Science 391: Computer Application in Health Sciences
- Health Science 431: Health Behavior
- Health Science 437: Strategies for Making Health Decisions
- Health Science 439
- Health Science 488: Epidemiology: Study of Disease, Library Research Guide
- HEALTH SCIENCES 336
- HSCI 436: Health Concerns of Adolescents

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Research Strategies

1. Getting Started

disciplinary database provides full text for more than 4,600 journals, including full text for nearly 3,900 peer-reviewed titles.

- **Gale Health Reference Center** -- search over 900 health and allied health journals with full text articles in 686 journals
- **Los Angeles Times** (1985-present)
- **LexisNexis** -- full-text news database
- **MedlinePlus Health News** -- up-to-date health information news from the National Institutes of Health
- **ProQuest Newspapers** -- over 500 US and international newspapers full-text
- **World Health Organization (WHO)** -- responsible for providing leadership on global health matters within the United Nations
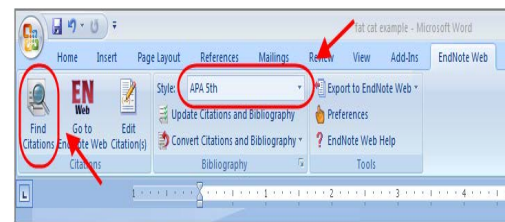
Scholarly Journals and Scientific Information

- **CINAHL Plus** -- scholarly journals from nursing, medicine, and consumer health
- **PubMed** -- scholarly and research journal articles in biochemistry, medicine and related fields
- **ScienceDirect** -- search full-text journals published by Elsevier
- **Wiley Online Library** -- search full-text journals published by Wiley
- CQ Researcher -- explores in depth hot issues in the news

Government Publications

- 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/**
- Legislation in other states, check out the National conference of States Legislatures (**NCSL**) at http://www.ncsl.org/about-us/ncslservice/state-legislative-websites-directory.aspx
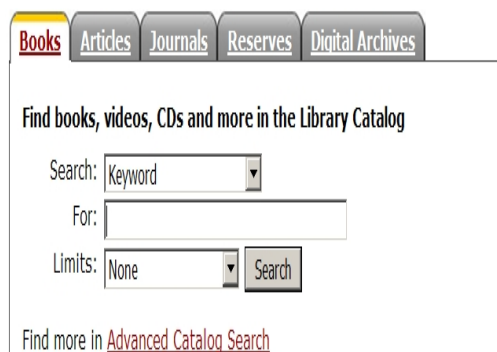- CSUN Find Resources: Government Publications at http://library.csun.edu/GovernmentPublications

Citing Sources

- Publication manual of the American Psychological Association (Reference Room and 2nd floor - BF76.7 .P83 2010)

Finding Books and Journals in the Library Catalog

Use the Catalog search box located in the center of the library's homepage to search for books. To search for books on your topic, use the default Keyword search option and enter your search terms in the For box.

If you have a specific book or author in mind, before you enter your search terms in the For box, change the Search type from *Keyword* to:

- *Title* - to look for a specific book.
- *Author* - to look for books by a specific author.

To look for ebooks only, select *Ebooks* in the Limits field.

Finding Articles in Magazines, Journals, and Newspapers

Pick a database recommended for your subject from Databases by Subject and then search using keywords.

To locate the full text of an article:

- If full-text is available in the database, click on the link to full text (HTML or PDF).
- If full-text isn't available in the database, click the **Find Text** button to see if we have access to the article in another database or in print in the library

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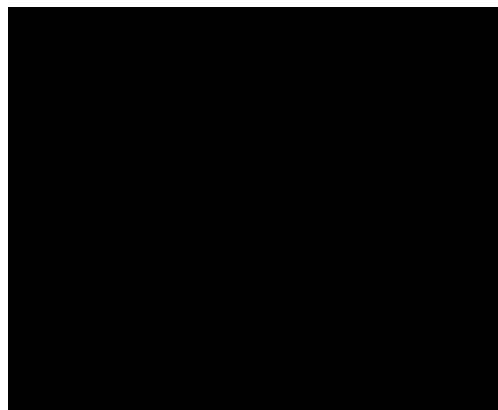5. [Citing Your Sources](#)

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OneSearch

OneSearch allows you to search, at this time, 150 databases as well as the Oviatt Library catalog. Although 150 databases, many indexes (e.g. PubMed, PsycInfo, Physical Education Index, LLBA…), full text databases (e.g. ScienceDirect, Sage Journals, JSTOR, Springer, Taylor & Franics…) are a lot of databases, OneSearch does NOT contain the contents of all our databses yet. **OneSearch** does offer a consistent way to save the records you want to keep, and if you view your saved records, on the right there is a "Export to EndNoteWeb" command where you can easily send the bibliographic information on the source you are viewing into your personal (editable) citation management database.

OneSearch is very useful to look up scholarly article citations (use quick keyword search author surname key words in title, or type in the article Doi if your citation offers a Doi), or do a simple keyword search on topic. You can identify academic articles easily, often be advised article is "peer reviewed" and see lots of hints on other keywords you can use for your search strategy.
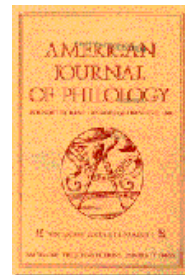
Visit the [OneSearch FAQ](#) to learn all about how to use the library's new online OneSearch tool to find articles, books and more. Or, watch the How to Use OneSearch video:

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Scholarly Journals (Peer-reviewed/Referreed)

- Authors are authorities in their fields.
- Authors cite their sources in endnotes, footnotes, or bibliographies.
- Individual issues have little or no advertising.
- Articles must go through a [peer-review](#) or refereed process.
- Articles are usually reports on scholarly research.
- Illustrations usually take the form of charts and graphs.
- Articles use jargon of the discipline.

APA Style

- [Publication manual of the American Psychological Association](#) (print version)
- [Sample Style Sheet for APA Bibliographic Citatons (PDF)](#) by Dr. Karin Durán
- [Sample APA-Style Annotated Bibliography (PDF)](#) by Dr. Karin Durán
- [APA Style Guide](#) (PDF) by Eric Garcia
- [APA - Frequently Asked Questions](#)
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[What Fools These Mortals Be!](#)

[Mexican Independence](#)

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