Library Resources and Research Techniques for FSEM 100A4

Learning Outcomes: By the end of your library class you will be able to locate books and articles on your topic using the library catalog and periodical databases.

Finding Research and Subject Guides

- Start with the Library’s research guides
  - Go to the Library’s home page: http://libraries.umw.edu
  - Under “Get Help” at left click on “Research Guides”
  - Click on “English” from the menu
  - See also the “Citing Resources” guide from the “All Guides” section (after clicking on “Research Guides”)  

Finding Books and Articles (click on “Quest” from Library home page, http://libraries.umw.edu)

**Quest**

- A new search tool that allows users to find print and online resources at UMW Libraries through a single interface.
- A search in Quest will locate books, e-books, articles from journals, magazines, newspapers, DVDs, and much more.

Finding JUST Books (click on “Catalog” from Library home page, http://libraries.umw.edu)

- Find books by author (last name first), title, subject headings, or anywhere in a record.
- Can also browse through authors, titles, and subjects (Browse Search).
- Find books through keyword searching (Advanced Search).
  - Keywords: Words or phrases located anywhere in a record.
  - Useful for combining terms or when you are unsure of correct terms.
- Books are shelved by call number: A – L (third floor) and M – Z (second floor).
- Reference books are on the first floor near the Reference Desk.

**Broad Subject Headings in the Library (Not an Exhaustive List)**

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Finding JUST Articles
   A. Click on “Locating Articles” on the subject guide, http://libguides.umw.edu/theadanc
   B. Click on “Databases” from Library home page, http://libraries.umw.edu

Academic Search Complete (coverage varies; as far back as the 1880s to date)
   • Includes thousands of full-text academic journals and periodicals in a wide variety of disciplines.
   • Can click on “Choose Databases” to add additional databases.

Artemis Literary Sources (coverage varies)
   • A full-text resource offering biographical and bibliographical information on living and deceased worldwide authors and their works.
   • An advanced search enables users to construct searches using a variety of criteria.
     o For a title of a work, use “Name of Work” from the drop-down menu.
     o For an author, use “Person by and About” from the drop-down menu.
     o To add a word or phrase to focus your search, use “Keyword” from drop-down menu.

Database Search Tips
   • Use subject headings to focus your search.
   • Use quotation marks to search for an exact phrase (e.g., “Civilian employees in law enforcement”).
   • Use AND to narrow your search (e.g., Civil War and diaries).
   • Use OR to broaden your search (e.g., films or motion pictures or movies).
   • Use truncation (*) to obtain all words beginning with your keyword (e.g., immigra* will retrieve works with immigration, immigrating, or immigrant in them).
   • Consult the Journal Finder for online full-text holdings of periodicals
     o From the Library’s home page, click on “Find a Journal” in the “How Do I?” column at the right or click on “Journals” on the blue tabs at the top.

Citing Your Resources
   • Take advantage of the UMW help guide on Citing Resources
     o Go to the Library’s home page: http://libraries.umw.edu
     o Go to “How do I . . .?” in the right column and click on “Cite Sources.”
     o Provides links to EasyBib citation guide and also guides to specific citation styles.

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