Articles

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Articles - what are they?

- An ***article*** is a written piece from a publication such as a journal, magazine or newspaper.
- Faculty expect ***edited*** pieces from a ***valid publisher***; information on the web from companies or individuals and wikipedia are usually unacceptable
- Faculty may require articles of a particular type, i.e. ***newspaper, popular magazine,*** or ***scholarly journal***. See this chart for a refresher.
- Access to articles is provided through licensed databases on the library website. These databases collect articles from many publications.
- Some of the most useful of these databases for your discipline are listed to the right. Others are found in our A-Z database list.

Articles - How to Search for Them

1. Try a title or keyword search on your topic.
2. Look for useful "subject" or "descriptor" words. These will either be in a list on the results page, or you may need to look at a number of individual records.
3. Go back to the search screen and search BY SUBJECT/DESCRIPTOR (not by title/keyword) using the words you discovered in step 2.
4. Be sure to take advantage of:
   - Boolean connectors (AND, OR, NOT)
   - Truncation/Wildcard (educat*)
   - Phrase searching ("childhood obesity")
5. When you find an item you want, use ArticleLinker to get it.

More detailed directions can be found on our Searching Databases page.

Controversy

Look for position-taking pieces and/or analyses of issues in:

- Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center

Searching for articles

Philosophy MultiSearch - for articles

Title

Search

Searches these databases: *Academic Search Complete, Humanities International Complete, Philosopher's Index, Project Muse, Religion & Philosophy Collection*. Or use MultiSearch Advanced.

Or search individual databases. Most relevant for this subject are:

- **Academic Search Complete**
- **Philosopher's Index**
- **Religion and Philosophy Collection**
- **Project MUSE**
- **Humanities International Complete**
- **JSTOR**

Other related databases

Can't find it here?

- About InterLibrary Loan and ILLiad
- Connect to ILLiad
- New Users: register for ILLiad

Browse for periodicals

Browse a list of our Philosophy journals - both print and online

Philosophy and Religion Periodicals at SUNY Potsdam

Periodical title search

Check for the availability, online or in paper, of a particular magazine or journal.

Periodical title search

- Points of View Reference Center
- C Q Electronic Library
- Public Agenda
- ProCon.org
- PBS NewsHour Links
- Policy Archive

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