



Tips for searching the Stanford Copyright Renewal Database

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1. General
 - a. Search title first, if no title is found, search author
2. Title search
 - a. If no results are found for title, consider removing subtitle (if any)
 - b. The system will search properly with preliminary articles
 - c. Search individual volume titles (for books that are part of a multi-part monograph) when appropriate
 - d. In general it is better not to include punctuation in a title search
3. Author search
 - a. If no results, erase everything back to 1st initial of 1st name. Can try searching last (or first) name alone if it is relatively unique.
 - b. If no results found for author, search for names of additional authors, editor, translator, author of introduction or preface
 - c. Remove punctuation and accents in author searches (exception: apostrophes are ok)
 - d. Consider variations in formatting of the author's name, e.g., *O'Connor* and *OConnor*; *McKay*, *Mc Kay*, etc. Try various alternatives.
 - e. Don't include parenthetical information in your search, e.g., for Jackson, G. F. (George Frederick), instead search for *Jackson, G.* or *Jackson, G. F.* and look for George Frederick to confirm that you have found the correct author.
4. Miscellaneous
 - a. After you have run a search, you can sort the search results. Click the column headers to re-sort the results.
 - b. To find a particular phrase, enclose it in quote marks.
 - c. Additional searching tips can be found in the "**Search help**" link on the Simple Search page on the Stanford Renewal Database site.