



University of Idaho  
Library

# SOCIOLOGY 101 LIBRARY TUTORIAL

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## What we're covering in this tutorial

- Some of the ways the Library can help you during your time at the U of I
- The Library Catalog and Academic Search Premier

## Circulation Desk

- Located on the first floor of the Library
- Where you go to check-out physical items such as books and DVDs as well as technology items like headphones, phone and laptop chargers, and photography or video equipment
- All you need is your Vandal ID, which works as your Library card
- Visit <https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/services/borrow/> to learn more about the Circulation Desk

## Reference Desk

- The place to ask any questions about using the library and conducting research
- Staffed during regular business hours, Monday – Friday; answer virtual chats asked via the ‘Ask Us’ or ‘24/7 chat’ buttons
- If we aren’t available, you can still ask a question via chat, 24/7, and be connected to a librarian at another university
- Visit <https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/help/> to learn more about the Reference Desk

# Research Assistance Meetings

- Meet with a librarian and get individualized help
- Visit <https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/help/research.html> to request a meeting

## Group and Individual Study Rooms

- Visit <https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/services/rooms.html> to see the Library's reservable group and individual study rooms
- All reservable group and individual study rooms are available on a first come, first served basis if there are no reservations scheduled

# Vandals Tutoring and Writing Center

- Located on the second floor of the Library
- Vandals Tutoring: <https://www.uidaho.edu/current-students/academic-support/asp/tcs/tutoring>
- Writing Center: <https://www.uidaho.edu/class/writing-center>

## MILL and Studio

- MILL (Making, Innovating, and Learning Laboratory): <https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/mill/>
- Studio (Audiovisual Lab): <https://www.lib.uidaho.edu/studio/>



# Boolean

- Specific words and symbols that tell the Library or related resource more about what we want to see in our results list
- Search strings are created when we combine the keywords related to our topics using these Boolean words and symbols

## Boolean review (1)

- “Quotation marks”
- AND in all capital letters

## Boolean review (2)

- “Quotation marks”
  - When using **quotation marks**, each result will **contain the exact phrase included in the quotes**
  - For example, a search for **“rural communities”** would ensure that every result mentions that exact phrase.

## Boolean review (3)

- AND in all capital letters
  - When using **AND in all capital letters**, each result will **contain all keywords connected by AND**
  - For example, a search for **gender AND employment AND wages** would ensure that every result mentions the words gender, employment, and wages

## Off-campus access

- Distance students can still access the Library's print books by 'requesting' them within the catalog
- A copy of the book is then mailed to your home address
  - Email [libcirc@uidaho.edu](mailto:libcirc@uidaho.edu) to confirm your home address
- Visit [https://libguides.uidaho.edu/Distance\\_Education](https://libguides.uidaho.edu/Distance_Education) to learn more about using the University of Idaho Library as a distance student

## Summit library program

- [Summit](#) allows you to check-out physical items owned by libraries at other Northwest colleges and universities and pick them at the University of Idaho Library
  - If you are a distance student, you can also have them delivered to your home address
- You can usually check-out Summit items for an initial 6 weeks and then you can request a renewal if you need the item longer
  - Renewals are not automatic, and you will receive an email if it is approved

## Learn more about peer-review

- Peer-review
  - Experts in a discipline assess the validity and quality of articles, books, book chapters, etc. that have been submitted for publication
  - Many professors and instructors who work at colleges and universities have volunteered to serve as peer-reviewers for journals and book publishers within their areas of expertise.

## Interlibrary Loan service

- [Interlibrary Loan](#) (ILL) is a service that allows you to request electronic and physical copies of items held by libraries around the world
- Interlibrary Loan (ILL) can help you get PDF copies of articles, physical copies of books that neither we nor our Summit partners have in our collections, PDFs of book chapters, and many other types of items.



## Test your knowledge

- Take a moment to [review what you've just learned](#)



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with library research in this class or others