

Web databases
Assignment 6 – *College Source – Books in Print*

Part I. College Source

College Source gives access to information about U.S. schools and non- U.S schools; you may select which category of schools by checkmark the appropriate radio button. For this assignment, you need to use only the *College Search* link; click on the *College Search* link.

College Search has six different search methods for different research needs:

1. *Alpha*
2. *Country*
3. *Criteria*
4. *Geographic*
5. *NameKkeyword*
6. *Catalog Full Text*

For each of the topic below, you need to choose one specific search methods to answer the question and explain why you chose this search method.

1. You need to find a college in California that offers **Master degree in Acting and Directing**. Please answer the following questions:
 - a. Which method of search did you choose? Why?
 - b. Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: did you put a checkmark by “*Degree level*”, or “*Major*”, etc., and which major and/or state did you select from the drop-down menu?)
 - c. How many schools are listed in the search results?
 - d. List the name of the school located in Malibu, California.
2. You need to find a college in California that offers **Bachelor degree in Accounting** with a tuition range between \$1000-\$10,000. Please answer the following questions:
 - a. Which method of search did you choose? Why?
 - b. Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: did you put a checkmark by “*Degree level*”, or “*Major*”, etc., and which major and/or state did you select from the drop-down menu?)
 - c. How many schools are listed in the search results?
 - d. List the name of the college.

3. You need to find a list of colleges within a radius of 25 miles of Long Beach, California. Please answer the following questions:
 - a. Which method of search did you choose? Why?
 - b. How many schools are listed in the search results?
 - c. List the name of the school located in Irvine, California.

4. You want to find a listing of non-U.S. schools, more specifically, you want to find the Web site of the **Ain Shams University** in Cairo, Egypt. Please answer the following questions:
 - a. Which method of search did you choose? Why?
 - b. Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: did you put a checkmark by “*U.S. Schools*”, etc.?).
 - c. What is the meaning of **Ain Shams**?

5. You want to know the names of the universities in Vietnam that are included in **College Source**. Please answer the following questions:
 - a. Which method of search did you choose? Why?
 - b. Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: which country did you select from the drop-down menu?)
 - c. How many schools are listed in the search results?
 - d. List the names of the two universities located in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.
 - e. Write the old name and the official opening date of the University of Technology.

6. You want to find out the names of the universities in Paris that are included in **College Source**. Please answer the following questions:
 - a. Which method of search did you choose? Why?
 - b. Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: did you put a checkmark by “*U.S. Schools*”, etc.?).
 - c. How many schools are listed in the search results?
 - d. When was the **Ecole Centrale de Paris** founded? What is its mission?

Part II. Books in Print

Books in Print offers six search types: Search, Browse, Publishers, Awards, Bestsellers, and Bio's.

For each of the topic below, you need to choose one specific search method to answer the question and explain why you chose this search method.

1. You want to see the list of **books that won the Pulitzer prize for the year 2000.**

(**Note:** The Arts & Letters Pulitzer prize is awarded for poetry, fiction, history, biography, music, drama, and general nonfiction; hence the list of different titles.)

Please answer the following questions:

- Which method of search did you choose? Why?
- What keyword did you type in the corresponding field? (For example: “*Agatha Award*” in the *Award Name* search box, etc.).
- Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: did you put a checkmark by “*Winners*”, “*Nominees*”, etc.?).
- Click on the title *Freedom from Fear: The American People in Depression & War, 1929-1945*. What is the subject of this book?
- List the names of all the awards that the book has garnered.

2. You want to see the list of **bestsellers for fiction and nonfiction for the year 2000**, published by the trade magazine *Publishers Weekly*.

Please answer the following questions:

- Which method of search did you choose? Why?
- What keyword did you type in the corresponding field? (For example: did you typed “1999” in the “” search box, etc.?)
- Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: did you select “*Publishers Weekly*” from the drop-down menu?)
- List the number one bestseller title for fiction and nonfiction for 2000.

3. You want to see the list of **small publishers that publish children’s books and that are located in India.**

Please answer the following questions:

- Which method of search did you choose? Why?
- Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: did you select “Canada” from the drop-down menu next to the *Country* search box? Did you select “Medium” from the drop-down menu next to the *Publisher Size* search box?)
- List the names of three publishers and the cities where they are located in India.

4. You want to read **a biography of French writer Marguerite Duras.**

Please answer the following questions:

- Which method of search did you choose? Why?
- What keyword did you type in the corresponding field?
- Write down the date and the place of Ms. Duras’ birth.

d. Click on the link *Click here to see works by this individual*; list three titles and their status (*out of print* or *active record*).

For the following three questions, you need to use the *Search* method. The *Search* method has three different search types: Quick search, Advanced search, Boolean search. For each of the topic below, you need to choose one specific search type to answer the question and explain why you chose this search type.

5. You want to see the list of **forthcoming videos that will be on the market**.

Please answer the following questions:

- a. Which type of search did you choose? Why?
- b. Write down any search limit option(s) you used (for example: did you put a checkmark by “*Audio*”, “*In Print*”, etc.).
- c. List three forthcoming videos titles and their date of availability.

6. You want to find books about **women explorers**.

Please answer the following questions:

- a. Which type of search did you choose? Why?
- b. What keywords and Boolean operator(s) did you type in the search box? (For example: su=”mystery” and kw=”American”, etc.).
- c. List the titles, dates of publication, and prices of three books listed in the results.

7. You want to find **the title of a book written by Tony Hillerman** that you have forgotten; however, you remember that title has the word “thief” in it.

Please answer the following questions:

- a. Which method of search did you choose? Why?
- b. What keywords and Boolean operator(s) did you type in the search box? (For example: su=”mystery” and kw=”American”, etc.).
- c. List the title, date of publication, and price of this book. (Note: There are many versions of this title, select any of them.