

How CSUDH Computer Science Students Can Access Research Papers from Google Scholar

Many research papers found through **Google Scholar** are behind paywalls, especially from publishers like **IEEE, Springer, Elsevier, and ACM**. However, as a **California State University, Dominguez Hills (CSUDH)** student, you have several ways to access them **for free** through your university's library subscriptions and authentication systems.

Step 1: Connect Google Scholar to CSUDH Library

1. Go to [Google Scholar](#).
2. Click on the **menu** (≡) in the top-left corner and select **Settings**.
3. Click on **Library Links**.
4. Search for "**California State University Dominguez Hills**".
5. Check the box next to it and save.
6. Now, when you search for papers, you will see "**Find it @ CSUDH**" next to many results.

✓ This link will take you through the CSUDH library system to access the full text if the university has a subscription.

Step 2: Log in Through the CSUDH Library Portal

1. Go to the [CSUDH Library website](#).
2. Log in with your **CSUDH username and password**.
3. From there, you can search directly in databases such as:
4. **IEEE Xplore** (for IEEE conference and journal papers)
5. **ACM Digital Library**
6. **SpringerLink**
7. **ScienceDirect (Elsevier)**
8. **Wiley Online Library**

✓ These are all available **for free** to CSUDH students.

Step 3: Use Eduroam / VPN for Off-Campus Access

- If you are off-campus, you must log in through the **CSUDH VPN or proxy server** to access papers.
 - Alternatively, connect to **eduroam Wi-Fi** when on campus. Eduroam authenticates your student status, giving you access to subscribed resources.
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Step 4: Use Interlibrary Loan (ILL)

- If CSUDH does **not** have a paper, you can request it through **Interlibrary Loan (ILLiad)**.
 - This service is free for CSUDH students, though it may take a few days.
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Step 5: Alternative Legal Resources

If you still cannot access a paper, you can try: - **arXiv.org** – Free preprints in computer science, math, and related fields. - **ResearchGate** – Authors often upload copies of their papers. - **Author Websites / Lab Pages** – Many researchers share PDFs of their work.

Summary

- Use **Google Scholar + CSUDH Library Links** for direct access.
- Log into the **CSUDH Library portal** for IEEE, ACM, and other databases.
- Use **eduroam** or the **CSUDH VPN** when off-campus.
- Request unavailable papers via **Interlibrary Loan**.
- Check **free repositories** like arXiv and ResearchGate.

By following these steps, CSUDH Computer Science students can access almost all research papers legally and at no cost.

 **Tip:** Always start your research from the **CSUDH Library portal** or link your Google Scholar to CSUDH. This ensures you don't run into unnecessary paywalls.