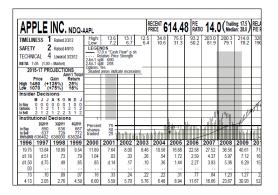
# Module 3: Advanced Searching (Subhead:)Continuing to search

In the previous module on searching, we discussed using the library catalog when you need books.

In this module, we'll talk about the times when you'll need articles from periodicals (magazines, journals, newspapers). That's when you'll want to turn to the Library's databases.

### Library databases



Journal, magazine, and newspaper articles, both current and past

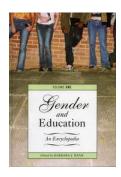




Financial/stock data

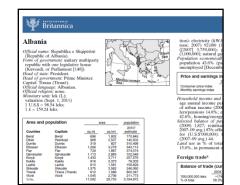
What you'll find in the library databases

Articles from encyclopedias and other reference works, both scholarly and popular



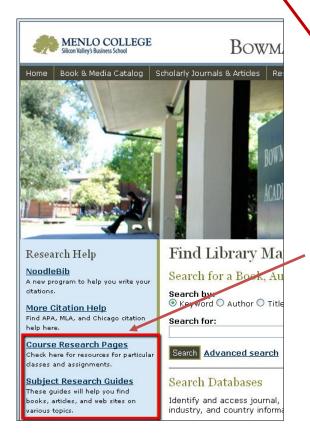
Company reports

Country demographics



#### Library databases

On the Library's web site you'll find an alphabetical list of all our databases, as well as lists of databases by subject.





We also have lists of the databases most useful for specific classes. Look for the links to Course Research Pages and Subject Research Guides on the Library's home page.

ENG 101 - English Composition 1 - Salinas
 ENG 102 - English Composition 2 - Rajaram
 ENG 102 - English Composition 2 - Weatherup
 ENG 350 - Research Writing (PSP) - Riccardi
 FIN 320 - Financial Management I - Jindra, Leshchii
 HUM 307 - Diversity in the Workplace - Marar
 HUM 311 - Women and Culture - Cabrol-Easton
 HUM 401-H - Senior Thesis: Humanities Capstone HUM 401-P - Senior Thesis: Psychology Capstone IMG 300 - International Management - Brice
 LIT 150 - Introduction to Literature - Flynn

LIT 482 - Women's Literature - Kingsley

LIT 250 - The Short Story in Modern Literature - Grant Story

#### Library databases

 If you're not sure where to begin your search, you can always ask a librarian, in person or by phone. We're here every hour that the Library is open and we're here to help! You can access the library databases 24/7 with your library barcode.



#### It's your turn to choose databases



Individual library databases might focus on only one subject, such as psychology or business, or might contain articles from many disciplines. Using the description of the databases listed below, match each with the kind of information you might expect to find there.

CountryWatch (info and news about countries of the world)
CQ Researcher (reports and analysis on controversial current events)
Historical New York Times (coverage from 1851 to present)
Mergent (financial and business info, including company reports)
Passport GMID (international marketing reports, including statistics)
PsycArticles (top 50 psychology journals)

News article on John F. Kennedy's assassination
Scholarly articles on manic depression
Campaign finance reform report
Consumer electronics use in the Middle East
Company financials for Apple, Inc.
Political and economic overview of South Africa

[Sarah: color coding is only so you know which has to be able to be dragged to its correct answer. But some color could be added here to make it look jazzier.]

#### Advanced search techniques

- Scholarly databases like the ones the Library subscribes to are more complicated to use than search engines like Google and Yahoo because they offer sophisticated tools and techniques for searching that can improve your results.
- Many databases, including the library catalog, offer tools to help you narrow or expand your search. Take advantage of these.
- The most common tools are:
  - Boolean searching
  - Truncation



#### Boolean searching

Boolean searching uses AND, OR, and NOT when combining your search terms. Click on each pair of circles in the diagrams below to learn more.

Sarah: Use Venn diagram visuals and interactivity from

http://www.lib.uci.edu/how/tutorials/Library Workshop/basic\_2.html. But use the text shown at right in place of theirs.

For "OR" use two examples. First one will be "Arizona prisons" OR "Rhode Island prisons" in which circles do not intersect. Use first two sentences in OR section at right.

Then have two circles that overlap a bit, using "corn ethanol" and "corn fuel" and including the last sentence in OR section at right.

When you combine search terms with AND, you'll get results in which BOTH terms are present. Using AND limits the number of results because all search terms must appear in your results.

When you use OR, you'll get results with EITHER search term. Using OR increases the number of results because either search term can appear in your results. Note that there could be some results in which both terms appear.

When you use NOT, you'll get results that exclude a search term.
Using NOT limits the number of results.

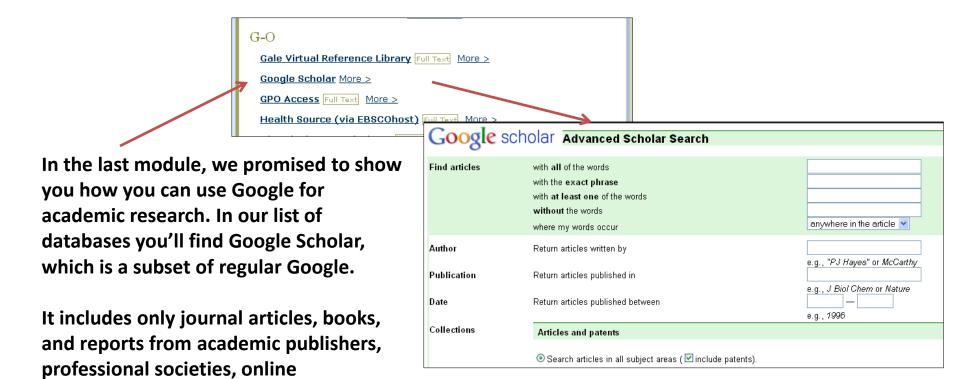
#### **Truncation**

- Truncation allows you to search different forms of the same word at the same time.
- Use the root of a word and add a symbol (such as an asterisk \*) as a substitute for the word's ending.
- [Sarah, use this example instead of vege\* from UCI]: Psycho\* -- psychology, psychological, psychologist, psychosis, psychoanalyst
- Truncation can save time and increase your search to include related words.
- Now let's take a look at these tools in action.

### Searching a library database

Video of using EBSCOhost will go here

#### And what about Google Scholar?



repositories, universities, and other web

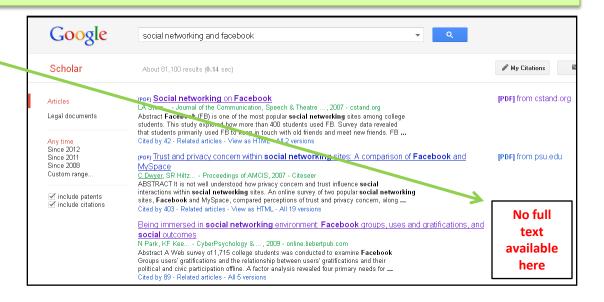
sources your professors will often want

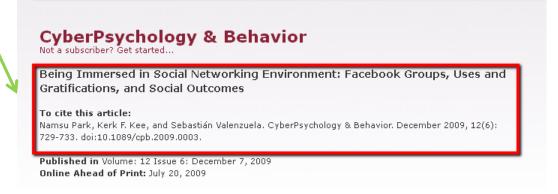
sites – exactly the kinds of scholarly

from you.

### Google Scholar

While you won't always find full text on Google Scholar (that's one of its limitations), you can find the citation of an article so you'll have its title, author, journal title, date, and page numbers.





# Finding the full text of an article when you have only a citation

- You can then take that citation information to the Library's Journal Finder to see if one of our databases contains the journal you need.
- Having only a citation for an article isn't a dead end. It contains all the information you'll need to find the full text.

Let us show you some ways to get the article you want.

#### Using the Journal Finder

- Video of using Serial Solutions goes here -Show how to use the Journal Finder when all
  you have is a citation mention that citation
  may come from Google Scholar, from one of
  our library databases that does not include full
  text, or from the reference list of an article
- Show how to use ILL

#### Using databases after you graduate from Menlo

You'll continue to use databases after you leave Menlo. Becoming an expert at using them now will give you a leg up later on.



Your job or company may subscribe to them – perhaps LexisNexis in the legal field, Hoover's or Mergent for business.



Every public library will have a selection of databases for you to use.



You'll use publicly available databases, such as yahoofinance.com, census.gov, webmd.com, espn.com.

## Where YOU fit in the process – research takes time – don't wait

Even though we live in a 24/7 world and sources are readily available online, it still takes time to find, evaluate, and read the right sources for your projects. Following the suggestions below will help you succeed.











Read carefully

Find new search terms as you explore a topic more thoroughly Take notes as you read

Write down your search terms in your notebook Document all your sources as you read so you don't have to find them all over again when it's time to put together your bibliography

#### Recap of what you've learned

Now that you've completed this module, you should be able to:

- Identify the kinds of information contained in library databases
- Use the Bowman Library databases to find articles
- Use techniques for advanced searching, such as Boolean searching and truncation
- Find an article from its citation
- Order a publication through interlibrary loan

 In the next module, you'll learn more about evaluating the information you find, plus tips for quick and thorough previewing of academic sources.

#### Quiz for Module 3

Quiz goes here