

Using

Academic Search Premier via EBSCOhost

Academic Search Premier is a multidisciplinary database covering over 8,300 scholarly publications, including more than 7,250 peer-reviewed journals. ASP covers academic disciplines such as social science, arts & humanities, medical sciences, education, physical sciences, computer science, psychology and more. Full text articles are provided for more than 4,500 journals in HTML full-text, PDF, or via active links.

Representative publications include:

Advances in Nursing Science
Education
Journal of Popular Culture
Perspective of New Music
Shakespeare Studies

Behavioral Medicine
Electronic Green Journal
Peace Review
Protein Journal
Historian

Bioethics
MediaWeek
Nature
Smithsonian
Lancet

Potential uses include:

- ***Research Projects***
Locating peer-reviewed articles
Full-text access to publications not in the library

- ***Critical Essays***
Book reviews
Opinion articles

- ***Literature Reviews***
Search for citations on topics of interest
Locate secondary sources

Accessing Academic Search Premier

Access is available to all Marian University students, faculty and staff via a link from the library web site (www.marian.edu/library). Use the computers in the library, campus computer labs, or any computer with internet access.

Note about off campus access: You will be prompted to type in your Marian University email account name and password to authenticate you as a valid user before you will be able to access the database.

Path to database

Library web site → Articles and Databases → Academic Search Premier

- See reverse for search tips -

TIPS FOR SEARCHING AN ELECTRONIC DATABASE

Keep it simple

Search by one or two terms only.

Start with the most obvious or relevant term(s), narrow the search as you review your results.

Be certain you are spelling your search term(s) correctly.

Search operators (also called Boolean operators)

And	Or	Not
Decreases number of hits	Increases number of hits	Decreases number of hits
Each result contains all search terms.	Each result contains at least one search term.	Results do not contain the specified terms.
The search <i>heart and lung</i> finds items that contain both <i>heart</i> and <i>lung</i> .	The search <i>heart or lung</i> finds items that contain either <i>heart</i> or items that contain <i>lung</i> .	The search <i>heart not lung</i> finds items that contain <i>heart</i> but do not contain <i>lung</i> .

Grouping search terms and operators

Group similar terms, using parentheses and search operators to broaden the search.

(athletes or athletics or sports) and nutrition

Truncation and Wildcards

Truncation is represented by an asterisk (*). The * symbol may be used to search for any form of a root word. Educat* searches for educate, education, educational, educator, etc.

Truncation tip: Use “or” to search singular and plural forms of a root word instead of using *
Ex. (cell or cells) will search only for the singular and plural of “cell”
cell* will also return cellular, cellulose, celluloid or other non-relevant terms

The **wildcard** is represented by a question mark ?. To use the wildcard, enter your search terms and replace each unknown character with a ?. Results include all citations of that word with the ? replaced by a letter.

Example: type **ne?t** to find all citations containing **neat**, **nest** or **next**. **Net** is not returned because the wildcard replaces a single character.

Search results and printing

Sample search: online classes

Sample hit result:

Innovative Louisiana CC Program Offers **Online Classes** via Cell Phone.

Community College Week, 12/15/2008, Vol. 21 Issue 9, p5-5, 1/2p; (AN 35858213)

PDF Full Text (213KB)

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