

Forsyth Library's

Sociology & Social Work Research Guide

Table of Contents

Article Databases.....	2
Electronic Journals.....	3
Print Journals.....	4
Finding Full-Text Articles.....	5
Finding Books.....	6
Print & Electronic Reference Sources.....	7
Websites & Statistics.....	8
Citing Your Sources.....	9



Last Updated: November 14, 2008

Databases

Searchable collections of citations, abstracts and full articles, in electronic format

Sociology: SAGE Full-Text

To access: Click on the link above, then on the database title. Next, check the appropriate box and click "Continue to Search"

Thousands of full-text articles on Sociology, Labor Studies, Child Development, Gender Studies, Consumer Culture, etc. 1967 - present.

Psychology: SAGE Full-Text

To access: Click on the link above, then on the database title. Next, check the appropriate box and click "Continue to Search".

Full-text articles from over 35 scholarly journals covering psychology, sociology and related social science disciplines. 1969 - present.

InfoTrac Databases

A group of databases which contain journal, magazine and newspaper articles on a wide range of subjects. Click on a database title to search it, or check multiple boxes and hit "Continue" at the top, to simultaneously search all the selected databases.

PsycInfo

To access: Click on the link above, then on the database title. Next, check the appropriate box and click "Continue to Search"

Citations of articles in psychology and many related disciplines such as social processes and issues, social psychology, and social work. 1806 to present. Some full-text.

Social Work Abstracts

Citations and abstracts of articles on social work and related topics, such as homelessness, child welfare, aging, and more. Produced by the Nat'l Assoc. of Social Workers. 1977 to present.

Criminology: SAGE Full-Text

To access: see instructions at left.

Full-text journal articles on subjects such as Criminal Justice, Juvenile Delinquency/Justice, Corrections, Policing, Forensic Psychology, Family & Domestic Violence. 1976 to present.

Social Sciences Full-Text

To access: Click the link above, then check the box for Soc. Sciences Full-Text

Periodical citations and full-text articles on all aspects of the social sciences. Good sociology coverage.

Sociological Abstracts

Article citations and abstracts from the international literature in sociology and related disciplines. 1952 - present.

Social Science Citation Index

A multidisciplinary index to over 1,725 journals across 50 social sciences disciplines, including Psychology, Sociology, Political Science, History and many more.." Article citations and abstracts only; no full-text. 1981 to present.

Ethnic NewsWatch

To access: Click the link above, then select "Ethnic NewsWatch" from the drop-down menu next to "Database".

Full-text articles from newspapers, magazines and journals from ethnic and minority presses as well as some sociology journals.

JSTOR

A multidisciplinary, full-text collection of back issues of scholarly journals, usually from the first issue, up to 2 to 5 years ago.

[Electronic Journals](#)

Individual journals in electronic format

Click on the links below, or go to the library's website: www.fhsu.edu/forsyth_lib
and click **Research Resources**, then **Electronic Journals**

[Click here to browse all full-text Social Science journals in the Forsyth Library Databases](#)

[Click here to browse Social Science Journals in the Directory of Open Access Journals](#)

[Journal of Ethnic & Cultural Diversity in Social Work,](#)

"...dedicated to the examination of multicultural social issues as they relate to social work policy, research, theory, and practice. The journal helps readers develop knowledge and promote understanding of the impact of culture, ethnicity, and class on ... the delivery of human services."

Print/Microfilm issues: HV3176.J68

[Human Relations](#)

"Research that relates social theory to social practice and translates knowledge about human relations into prospects for social action and policy-making that aims to improve working lives."

Print issues: H1.H8

[Smith College Studies in Social Work](#)

"...focuses on the vital issues facing practitioners today, featuring only those articles that advance theoretical understanding of psychological and social functioning, present clinically relevant research findings, and promote excellence in clinical practice."

Print issues: HV1.S55

[Journal of Aging and Health](#)

"...explores the complex and dynamic relationship between gerontology and health."

Print issues: RA564.8 J68

[Social Work With Groups](#)

"...addresses the issues of groupwork in psychiatric, rehabilitative, and multipurpose social work and social service agencies; crisis theory and groupwork; the use of group programs in clinical and community practice; and basic group competencies..."

Print/Microfilm issues: HV45.S63

[Marriage & Family Review](#)

Covers "a vast array of social issues relevant to marriage, family life, family diversity, parent-child relations, intervention, and social policy."

Print Issues: HQ536.M322

[Journal of Social Work Practice](#)

"...publishes high quality refereed articles devoted to the exploration and analysis of practice in social welfare and allied health professions from psychodynamic and systemic perspectives."

Print issues: HV1.J597

[Social Sciences Journal](#)

"The official journal of the [Western Social Science Association](#)."

No print holdings.

*Database description quotes taken from the respective journal's website.

Select Print Journals

Issues/Volumes **dated 1994 - present** are located in the Periodicals Section on the Main Floor; **Pre-1994** are located in the basement

American Journal of Sociology

Print: v. 23(1917) - present **HM1.A7**

Also Full-Text in [JSTOR](#), 1895-2001

Rural Sociology

Print: v. 13(1948) - v. 48(1983):**HT401.R8**

Microfilm: 1984 - v. 71(2006): **MF 301.3505 R948**

American Sociological Review

Print: 1936- present: **HM1.A75**

Also Full-text in [JSTOR](#), 1936-2004

Society

Print: 1963 - present, **H1.T72**

Also Full-text in [General OneFile](#), 1993-2001

Community Development

Print: 1999 - present: **HN1.C63**

Also Full-text in [General OneFile](#), 2000-2004

Sociology of Religion

Microfilm: 1984-2005: **MF 306.6 S678**

Print: 1979-1983 : **HN51.S62**

Also Full-text in [Wilson OmniFile](#), 1995 - present



Current Sociology

Print: 1952 - 2006: **Z7161.C8**

Also Full-text in [Sociology: SAGE](#) 1981 - present

Journal of Applied Sociology

Print: 2001-2006: **HM1.J6**

Social Work

Print: 1956 - present: **HV1.S644**

Also Full-text in [General OneFile](#), 1998-present

Social Action: A Quarterly Review of Social Trends

Print: 1998 - present: **HN681.S58**

Microfilm: 1992-1996 **MF HN681.S58**

Sex Roles: A Journal of Research

Print: 1979 - present: **HQ768.S4**

Also full-text in [General OneFile](#), 1993- present

Sociology of Education

Microfilm 1984 - 2005: **MF370.15 J86**

Print: 1939-1984: **L11.J76**

Also Full-text in [JSTOR](#), 1963-2004



Finding Full-Text Articles Flowchart

Search for your topic in a database (see p. 2), and choose an article. Is there a link to the full-text located underneath the article title/citation?

NO

YES

Click on the link to see the entire article.

- **HTML** = text only
- **PDF** = looks like a photo of the printed page, including graphics. Photos might not appear due to copyright restrictions.

Is there:

- a link for **LinkSource**
- a link that says "Get Article"
- a circular blue & green icon



NO

YES

Click on the link or icon. **If you are off campus, call 785-628-5283 or e-mail us at refserv@fhsu.edu for the password.**

This will activate a search of other databases for the article. **If it is found, it will appear in a new window.**

If not, you'll see:

"There were no results to display".

If the article was not found

Are you on-campus, or are you a Hays-area student?

NO

YES

You can request the article through:

Distance Services
(Click on Services on the Library's Homepage)

Be sure to allow adequate time for your article to arrive.

Search the [Online Catalog](#) for a print or microform copy of the article.

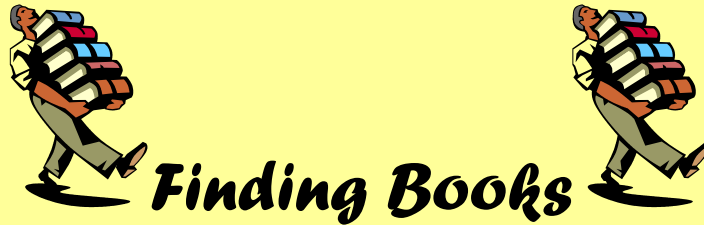
Type in the name of the JOURNAL in which the article appears, and click "journal title keyword". If it is found, click on the title, and look at the dates available to see if the year you need is there.

Note the **call number** and find the journal in the Periodicals section (1994 or later), the basement (pre-1994) or on microfilm (MF call #), in the filing cabinets in the Periodicals section. **Library staff are glad to help you with the MF readers and printers, if needed.**

If we don't own the article in print or microfilm, you can request the article through:

Interlibrary Loan
(Click on Services on the Library's homepage)

Be sure to allow adequate time for your article to arrive.



Finding Books

If you would like to browse for books,
try looking in these areas in the **General Collection** on the 2nd floor:

Sociology (general & theoretical).....	HM
Social History, social problems, social reform.....	HN
The family, marriage, women.....	HQ
Societies (secret, benevolent), clubs.....	HS
Communities, classes, races.....	HT
Social pathology, social and public welfare, criminology.....	HV
Social Work.....	HV40
Psychology.....	BF

How to use the [Online Catalog](#) to search for books

To access the catalog, click on the link above, or go to the library's homepage at [http://www.fhsu.edu/forsyth lib/](http://www.fhsu.edu/forsyth_lib/). Next, click on "Online Catalog", on the left hand side under *Quick Links*.

Type in your topic in the "Find this" box. Type in just the key (most important) words, and leave out "the", "and", "an", etc.

Next, choose what type of search you want to do: keyword, title keyword, journal title, etc. This tells the computer where you want it to look for your search terms:

All Fields (Keyword) Search: Searches for your term in every area, including title, descriptions, publisher, author, etc. This search will yield many results, but many will be irrelevant because your term is just mentioned briefly, and is not necessarily a focus of the book.

Title (Keyword): Note: if you enter a phrase, enclose it in quotation marks (e.g. "anatomy of hope"). This type of search finds only those items which have your search terms in the title. It is a good way to find items that focus on your topic. You can also use this search if you are looking for a specific book but are unsure of the exact title.

Subject Browse: Finds the categories (subject headings) that include your search term. For example, a search for *Art* yields the broad topic, plus subtopics by country, time period, style, etc.

Author: Find all works (owned by Forsyth Library) by a particular author. Enter the name last name first, followed by the first name, or an initial, if you know it.

Journal Title (Keyword): Search for a full or partial title of a journal, newspaper or magazine title. Click on the title to see the call number and what years/issues of this periodical the library owns.

Once you've found a title you like, note the **location, call number, and availability**.

Title: *The anatomy of hope: how people prevail in the face of illness.*

Location: General Collection: Top Floor

Call Number: R726.5 G76 Status: Available

Print & Electronic Reference Sources

Located in the Reference Area on the Main Floor

Electronic Reference

Credo Reference Database

Contains electronic reference books. Enter your term in the Search Box, or click on "Find a Book" to search individual books on your topic.

Print Sources

21st Century Sociology: A Reference Handbook

Reference: HM585.A13 2007

Encyclopedia of Sociology

Reference: HM425.E5 2000

Dictionary of Sociology

Reference: HM17.C66

50 Key Sociologists: The Contemporary Theorists

Reference: HM447.F54 2007

Confronting the American Dilemma of Race: 2nd Generation Black American Sociologists

Reference: HM478.C66

Encyclopedia of Criminology, vols. 1-3

Reference: HV6017.E5295

Print Sources, continued

Social Work in Mental Health: An Evidence-Based Approach

Reference: HV689.S638 2007

Handbook of Social Work in Health & Aging

Reference: HV1451.H34 2006

Social Work Dictionary

Reference: HV12.B37 1999

Encyclopedia of Social Work

Reference: HV35.S6 1995

Encyclopedia of Drugs & Alcohol Vols. 1-4

Reference: HV5804.E53

Helping in Child Protective Services: A Competency Based Casework Handbook

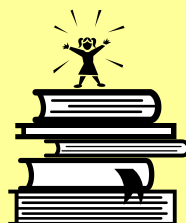
Reference: HV741.H45 2004

Handbook for Child Protection Practice

Reference: HV6626.52 H36 2000

Encyclopedia of Crime & Punishment, Vols. 1-4

Reference: HV6017.E524



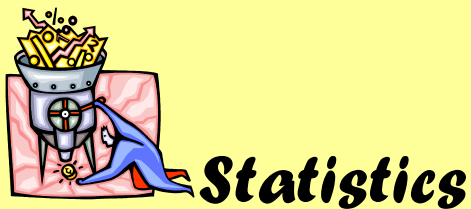


Websites chosen by Forsyth Librarian Judy Salm:

[Sociology & Social Work Websites](#)

[Websites for All Subjects](#)

[Quick Reference](#)



[Statistical Universe Database](#)

[STAT-USA Database](#)

[Agriculture Statistics](#)

[Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)

[Education Statistics](#)

[FedStats](#)

[Kansas Statistical Abstract](#)

[Statistical Abstract of the United States](#)

[Population Statistics - 2000](#)



Citing Your Sources

Style Guides

Online: [Duke University's Citation Guide](#) (the basics)

Print: Style manuals can be found at the Reference Desk,
and in the following areas:

- **GC:** General Collection on the 2nd Floor. These can be checked out.
- **RES:** Reserve Desk on the 1st floor: 3 hour check-out.
- **REF:** Reference Area on the 1st floor. For use in the library. No check-out.

If you are unsure about which style manual to use,
consult your professor

American Psychological Association (APA): BF76.7 .P82 **GC, RES, REF**

APA Style Guide to Electronic References: BF 76.7.P82 2007 **RES, REF**

[APA Format and Style Guide](#) by *Purdue Writing Lab*

Modern Language Association (MLA): LB2369.G53 **GC, RES, REF**

[MLA Format and Style Guide](#) *Purdue Writing Lab*

Chicago Manual of Style: Z253.U69 **GC, REF**

[Chicago Format & Style Guide](#) *Ohio State University*

Turabian Manual for Writers: LB2369.T8 **GC, RES, REF**

[Turabian Format & Style Guide](#) *Ohio State University*

For additional writing assistance, visit or contact the

[FHSU Writing Center](#)

628-4106, Forsyth Library Rm. 20

HOURS: Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday Evenings: 6:30–8:30 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m.