

HOW TO SEARCH LIBRARY LITERATURE AND INFORMATION SCIENCE ON THE WEB

To Connect to Library Lit

At the GLSIS Collection Library home page, select Library Literature from the drop-down menu. The default search option is advanced search; this allows for more complex searching with better results.

Basics

- **Boolean Operators**
 - Use “or” to expand search using Like-terms
EX: (online catalog or OPAC or Pac)
 - Use “and” to narrow search set to contain two elements
EX: (online catalog and academic libraries)
 - Use “not” to exclude an element from the search set
EX: (online catalogs not public libraries)
- **Truncation**
 - Use the symbol * at a word stem to retrieve variations of the term
EX: (Librar* will retrieve Library, libraries, librarian, librarianship.....etc)

Searching

- Enter search term(s) in the three search boxes provided. Remember that you expand terms using ‘or’ in either box. (It is usually a good idea to express a single concept with multiple words in each box. So, instead of ‘public library catalogs’ all in one box, put “public librar*” in one box and “catalog* or OPAC or pac” in the second box.
- From the pull down menu, select where terms will be searched (e.g. title, author, journal name, or all).
- Click on the appropriate Boolean operator for your search (e.g. and, or, not).
- If appropriate, limit search by Document Type (e.g. feature article = journal article, book, book review, excerpt from book, etc.). The default ‘all’ will retrieve all results.
- If appropriate, limit results to full-text or peer-reviewed articles.
- Using the “search history” option located in the menu bar (on the left-hand side of the screen), can further modify your search results. It allows you to combine any combination of searches you’ve conducted since accessing Library Literature. Combine searches to create new results by clicking the blank box next to each search query and then click “start.”
- Icons appear to the left of all found records. They indicate availability of access (e.g. full text or PDF). Icons also indicate availability of articles through other databases as well as from our print collection.

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