

HOW TO BEGIN RESEARCH

- **Compile a list of subject key words.** You will use them when researching
- **Think of synonyms** (words that mean the same thing)
- **Check the spelling.** Searching in the library catalog or databases won't correct your spelling.
- **Start small.** Find between 5-10 resources that match your subject. Analyze these sources for your paper before gathering more.
- **Create a rough outline.** Based on the information you have already collected, write down a summary of what you want to cover in your paper.

WHERE TO LOOK FOR INFORMATION

When should I use books?

- For in-depth overviews or historical background on a subject.
- Look for books using the Catalog on the Library website.

When should I use a database?

- For scholarly research articles that give specific case data or recent developments in an area.
- Access databases from the **Useful Links** bar in the Catalog.

When should I use the Web?

- For demographic statistics or VERY current information that has not yet been published academically

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HUMAN SERVICES WRITING HELP

Research Design: qualitative, quantitative, and mixed method approaches

H 62 .C6963 2003

A Short Guide to Writing About Social Sciences

H 91 .C78 1988

The Student Writer: editor and critic

PE 1408 .C537 2010

A Troubleshooting Guide for Writers: strategies and process

PE 1408 .C5378 2010

The McGraw Hill Handbook

PE 1408 ..M3365 2010

Text and Thought: an integrated approach to college reading and writing

PE 1413 .R38 2000

Research Methods for the Social Sciences

BCC 811 (videotape)

Medicine Spring Library

338-5441 x2701

<http://library.bfcc.edu>

Blackfeet Community College

517 SE Boundary St.

PO Box 819

Browning, MT 59417

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Research at:

Medicine

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Library

Books

The following are Library of Congress Call Numbers for possible books on Business and Information Technology.

- BF Psychology**
BF 309-499 Consciousness
BF 511-593 Affection, feeling, emotions
BF 636-667 Applied psychology
BF 692 Psychology of sexual behavior
BF 698 Personality
BF 712-724 Developmental psychology
- HM Sociology (General)**
HN Social history & conditions.
Social problems. Social reform.
HQ The Family, marriage, women
HS Societies: secret, benevolent, etc.
HT Communities, classes, race
HV Social pathology.
HV 873-887 Destitute, neglected and abandoned children
HV 959-1420 Orphanages and orphans
HV 1551-3024 People with disabilities
HV 5001-5720 Alcoholism
HV 5725-5770 Tobacco habit
HV 5800-5840 Drug habits, drug abuse
- HX Socialism, Communism, Anarchism**
- K Law (General)**
KF American Law
- RC Internal Medicine**
RC 435-571 Psychiatry
RC 475-489 Therapies and Treatments
RC 537 Depression
RC 552 Eating Disorders
RC 554-569 Personality Disorders

Interlibrary Loan

If there is a book that you need for your research please see the library staff to help you get an interlibrary loan.

To help staff out please find the item you are looking for in <http://www.worldcat.org> before asking.

Databases

EBSCO Host

- Provides online access to several human services research publications.
Academic Search Elite
Psychology & Behavioral Sciences

Credo Reference

- Encyclopedic entries on Chemical dependency, criminal justice, human services, behavioral health and psychology. A good place to start when you are beginning a new topic.

Print Journals

Behavioral Disorders

RJ 506 .B44 B44

Child Welfare

HV 701 .C52

Counselor: The Magazine for Addiction Professionals

HG 6164 .N7 A38

Journal of Abnormal Psychology

RC 321 .J7

Journal of Applied Rehabilitation Counseling

HD 7255.5 .J6

Journal on the Studies of Alcohol and Drugs

RC 565 .Q28

Monitor on Psychology

BF 1 .A54

Social Work

HV 1 .S644

Working Mother

HQ 759 .M284

Websites

Citing Sources

- APA Style Blog
<http://blog.apastyle.org/apastyle/>
- Online Writing Lab at Purdue
<http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/>

Professional Associations

- American Psychological Association
<http://www.apa.org>
- National Institute of Health
<http://www.himh.hih.gov>
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health
<http://www.samhsa.gov>
- National Institute on Drug Abuse
<http://www.drugabuse.gov>

Child Welfare

- Child Welfare Information Center
<https://www.childwelfare.gov>
- Forum on Child and Family Statistics
<http://www.childstats.gov>

Statistics

- Bureau of Justice Statistics
<http://www.bjs.gov>
- Montana Health Data and Statistical Reports
<http://www.hphhs.mo.gov/staticalinformation>
- National Center for Disease Control—Mental Health Services
<http://www.cdc.gov/meantalhealth>
- US Census Bureau—Native American/Alaskan Native Information
<http://www.census.gov/aian>