Library Resources for
Oral/Interpersonal Communication
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Reference and research assistance (In person, via email, or online using Ask a Librarian service)
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SEARCH the ONLINE CATALOG for BOOKS, VIDEOS, and DVDs

On the Library web page, click on Gateway Online Catalog. When you enter the catalog, you will be at the search screen. Type your search term(s) in the text box.

Search Tips:
use quotes to search phrases: "nonverbal communication"
use + to mark essential terms: +language +gender
use ? to truncate: +communicat? +gender

The Results list gives you the location (which library, which collection, call number) and the availability status of the item, or if it is an electronic resource, a link to the web site.

Click on the Title of the item if you are interested in finding out more information about it.

If the item is located at another campus, print the brief record and take it to library staff to order through intercampus van delivery (takes 2-3 working days, no cost to you)

To print, save or email the results of your search, see Record Options at the bottom of the page.

You can LIMIT your search to one campus or one format.

To search the catalog of other colleges and public libraries, click on the MultiLibrary Search button.

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Under Other Library Catalogs you will find links to Kenosha Public Library, Racine Public Library, Carthage College Library, UW-Parkside Library, and the Lakeshores Library System (Walworth County).

WISCAT is a combined catalog of Wisconsin libraries. You can “Request this item” online, or ask a Librarian to do it for you.

SEARCH ONLINE DATABASES for ARTICLES

Under Databases (Articles) on the Library web page, choose a database according to your subject interests.

- EBSCOhost offers access to 19 different databases, including Academic Search, Medline, Health Source, Regional Business News, Nursing & Allied Health, Government & Military, Business Source, and Newspaper Source with 230 newspapers + full text television and radio news. Follow instructions for logging in! The EbscoHost login is your student ID number, preceded by gtc.

- WilsonWeb: Multidisciplinary, 100% full text database
  Follow instructions for logging in!
  WilsonWeb login is only your student ID number.

There are Guides to the databases and the online catalog linked to the Login screens. You can print, save, or email the articles you find. Some databases will even create an MLA or APA citation.

Searches in any database can be limited to full text (the whole article, not just the citation) and peer-reviewed (scholarly journals only, not popular magazines or newspapers.) You can limit to a specific publication, or to a date or publication. Select those options before conducting your search.

Sample searches:
- Use OR when either phrase will do (self esteem OR self-concept)
- Use AND when you want only articles with BOTH or ALL terms (gender AND communication)
- Use the truncation symbol * to bring up variants of a word: comunicat? (communicate, communicating, communication)

Citing Your Sources Using MLA Style

The sources you use should be listed at the end of each paper you write. The purpose of such a list is to acknowledge the research and credit the work of scholars upon which your report is based. The Modern Language Association (MLA) has developed a uniform method of citing sources that is called MLA format. On the GTC Library’s web page, under Electronic Resources, click on Citation Styles.

Select MLA Documentation to link to The Writing Center of the University of Wisconsin Madison for examples of citations.

OR USE: Landmark’s Son of Citation Machine. It will format your citation for you. http://www.citationmachine.net . Click on MLA, then select the kind of resource you want to cite. Fill in the blanks with the information required. Click SUBMIT. You will now see your source as a correct MLA citation. Copy and paste the citation into your Word document.

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The Academic Support Center on each campus also has samples of correct citations and they will help you.