All of the databases mentioned in this handout can be found from the UMSL Libraries’ homepage at:

http://www.umsl.edu/library/ under the option for: Articles/Databases

1) Below is the search screen for SCOPUS:

- The asterisks (*) in the search examples above will retrieve variants of a term. Thus insur* retrieves insurance, insured, insuring, etc.
- You can also limit your search to the Article Title. This limit is helpful since scholarly-academic article titles tend to be very indicative of an articles’ content.
- Click to add extra search lines.

There are several ways that you can find citations in Scopus. If you know your author already then:

1. Perform an Author search,
2. Select an author from the list of authors (if found). You can also combine authors into a larger set.
3. Go toward the middle of the author's page and see the number of citations.

To search for a particular document in Scopus:

1. Perform a Document search;
2. Click the Cited by column at the right margin of the search results to see how many times the document has been cited.

2) Dissertations and Theses, 1861 - Present: A database of More than 1.2 million citations (with abstracts since 1980) to doctoral degree dissertations by accredited North American educational institutions and more than 200 institutions elsewhere

Locating Journal Titles
One can also go to the Libraries’ Homepage and search for particular journals (but NOT articles) by going to Journals by Title. Once selected, you can type in even a partial title of a journal using any of the options shown below:
To find articles in Full-Text:

If a database does not have the full-text of an article the (Article Linker) icon appears alongside the citations in your search results. Clicking this icon will let you:

1) Find the article in ANOTHER library database. It does this by providing you with a direct link to that article.

2) Often, for technical reasons, knows that an article exists in another database but cannot provide a direct link to the article itself. So, will take you to directly to the database. You will then have to search for the article by plugging-in keywords from the title, author, etc.

3) If the article is not online in anyway will find the journal that contains the article in the libraries’ catalog. You will then copy down the journal’s call number and location and find the article on the Libraries’ shelves.

4) If the journal is not available at UMSL then provides a link to Submit an Interlibrary Loan Request. The article will be sent to you electronically as a PDF.

Note: ALL of the above options are also valid when one does a search using search from the Library's homepage.

BOOKS:

To find books at UMSL click the button. A helpful way to search is by Keyword. Example:

(globaliz* and journalis*) (note the asterisks!)

MOBIUS: 1) The MOBIUS catalog lets you get books from over 60 other universities! 2) You can easily have the books sent to the Thomas Jefferson Library using the MOBIUS system. 3) UMSL is part of the MERLIN cluster for retrieving books from MOBIUS. 4) To request books from MOBIUS you will use: 0 + your student ("EmplID") ID.

The checkout period for faculty and graduate students who retrieve books from UM-System libraries is four months!

Library Instruction Sessions

Faculty can request instruction sessions from the Library's homepage by selecting:

Library Services → Faculty Services → Library Instruction

or calling Chris Niemeyer at x7008 (North Campus) or Betsy Williams at x4322 (South Campus).

For research help…

Any UMSL faculty, student or employee can request a Research Consultation from the Library's home page under:

Research Help → Research Consultation → In Person Research Consultation