Finding Information for AHSC 260

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Today’s Agenda

- Overview of kinds of information needed
- Overview of sources of information
- Database searching
- Database exercise
- APA style
Searching with Google

Library databases

Icons adapted from thenounproject.com
What you need and where to find it

- Ideas for programs you would like to plan
  - Course readings, experience, books, etc.
- Background information about the clients
  - Books, journal articles
- Sources of funding
  - Directories, internet
- Information about similar programs
  - Books, journal articles
Books and Journals

- To find books, go to the Library Catalogue (CLUES)
- To find journal articles, use Discovery Search or go to Databases by Subject
- Start at the Library homepage
Discovery Search, Databases, and Library Catalogue
Articles in Library databases

Databases by subject

- Accountancy
- Anthropology
- Applied Human Sciences
- Art Education
- Art History
- Arts (Studio)
- Biology
- Building Engineering
- Business, Management & Marketing
- Chemistry & Biochemistry
- Cinema/Film Studies
- Civil Engineering
- Classics
- Communication Studies
- Computer Science
- Creative Arts Therapies
- Dance
- Design & Computation Arts
- Economics
- Education
- Electrical & Computer Eng.
- English
- Environmental Engineering
- Études françaises
- Exercise Science
- Finance
- First Peoples Studies
- Geography, Planning & Environment
- History
- HIV/AIDS
- Journalism
- Mathematics
- Mechanical & Industrial Eng.
- Modern Languages & Linguistics
- Music
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Religion
- Studies in Sexuality
- Sociology
- Supply Chain & BTM
- Theatre
- Theological Studies
- Women's Studies

New databases
Using Google Scholar

Google search: student academic performance caffeine

Ad lib caffeine consumption, symptoms of caffeineism, and academic performance.
K Gilliland, D Andreas - The American journal of psychiatry, 1981 - psychiatr.org
... the relationship between ad lib caffeine consumption in 159 college students and the ... and Beck Depression Inventory) assessed the effects of caffeine, incidence of ... of symptoms of caffeineism, higher frequency of psychophysiological disorders, and lower academic performance. ...
Cited by 125 Related articles All 5 versions Save More

Personality, academic attribution, and substance use as predictors of academic achievement in college students
D Musgrave-Marquart, SP Bromley... - Journal of Social... , 1997 - search.proquest.com
... SUBSTANCE USE AMONG STUDENTS problem. ... and openness, plus substance consumption would correlate with and predict overall academic performance. METHOD Participants One hundred sixty-one university student volunteers from an under-graduate psychology ...
Cited by 132 Related articles All 3 versions Save More

Perceived stress, energy drink consumption, and academic performance among college students
ML Petit, KA DeBarr - Journal of American College Health, 2011 - Taylor & Francis
... How we learn—ask the cognitive scientist: allocating student study time, "massed" versus "distributed" practice. ... 2000 Health-related variables and academic performance among first-year college students: implications for sleep and other behaviors. ...
Cited by 69 Related articles All 7 versions Save More

The prevalence of sleep disorders in college students: impact on academic performance
JF Gaultney - Journal of American College Health, 2010 - Taylor & Francis
... the only culprit, however, it is not clear why the same relation with academic performance was not ... is possible that students with these disorders were less sleepy than other groups ... Untreated sleep disorders, therefore, may hamper a student's ability to learn new material well. ...
Cited by 159 Related articles All 9 versions Save More

Early to bed, early to rise! Sleep habits and academic performance in college students
AH Elisson, CJ Lethard, AH Elisson - Sleep and Breathing, 2010 - Springer
... Abstract. Purpose. Prior studies have placed emphasis on the need for adequate total sleep time for students performance. ... Results. Compared to those with the lowest academic performance, students with the highest performance had significantly earlier bedtimes (p < 0.05)
AHSC Subject Guide

Applied Human Sciences Subject Guide

Find information

Help with APA style

To find books

Search CLUES

To find journal articles

Search databases

To find scales, instruments, measurements, tests, etc.

Search in specialized databases
- Finding actual tests
- Finding reviews of tests
- Need more help with finding tests?

Need help?

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Vanier Library,
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Feel free to contact me for research assistance; to request an orientation for students, or to recommend purchases.

Related guides
- Education
- Exercise Science
- HIV/AIDS
- Law and Criminal Justice

PRACTICE TIME
Citation Basics

- Help you avoid plagiarism by acknowledging sources
- You need to cite in the text of your paper and create a list of references for your sources
- Citations provide enough details to track down original source
APA is a book! The library has copies.
APA Style Guide Links

- **Quick guide** on library’s website
- More **detailed guide** from Purdue University Online Writing Lab (OWL)
- APA Manual at the reference desk and on 3-hour course reserve
- **APA Guide to Electronic Sources** (PDF download from the library website)
Any burning questions about library research or APA citation?
Questions later?

- Librarians love questions!
  - In person (Vanier Library hours)
  - By phone 514-848-2424 x7766 (reference desk)
  - Email (lib-AskALibrarian@concordia.ca)
  - Chat
- AHSC Subject Guide
- Library Workshops
- Ask me!
  - Drop-in (VL-301-41)
  - Call (514-848-2424 x7844)
  - Email (paul.grewal@concordia.ca)
  - By appointment
Let's say that you are writing a paper on street youth. Your professor wants you to refer to at least three peer-reviewed journal articles. Start your search in Academic Search Complete.

1. Connect to Academic Search Complete.
2. In the first search box, type in homeless teenagers.
3. Below the search boxes, in the Limit your results area, check the box next to Peer Reviewed.
4. Click on the Search button.
   How many results did you obtain? __________________________
5. Scroll back to the top of the screen and, in the first search box, add or homeless youth or street youth. Click on the Search button.
   How many results did you obtain? __________________________
6. This search is a bit too broad. You decide to focus on drug abuse among homeless teenagers. Scroll to the top and add drug abuse or substance abuse in the second search box. Click on the Search button.
   How many results did you obtain? __________________________
7. Browse the list of results to find the following article, which could be useful for your research, and read the abstract:
   Article title: Substance Use among Runaway and Homeless Youth in Three National Samples
   When was this article published? __________________________
   In which journal was this article published? __________________________
   Do we have access to the full-text PDF? __________________________
8. Open the PDF of the article.
9. Once you have found the article, is there an option to e-mail the full text? _______
10. Email the reference in APA style to yourself.

Sources for background information, justification of your plan
- Library Catalogue for books: http://clues.concordia.ca/
- Academic Search Complete, good starting point for journal articles: http://clues.concordia.ca/record=e1000970~S0
- Other databases, depending on type of program: http://clues.concordia.ca/search~S0/h?SEARCH=Applied+Human+Sciences

Sources for finding funding: Directories
- Grant Connect http://clues.concordia.ca/record=b263252
- Associations Canada Vanier Reference Desk: HS 17 A77
- Canadian almanac & directory Vanier Reference Desk: FC 2 C2+
- Directory of social and community services of Greater Montréal Vanier Reference Desk: HV 104 I5

Help with APA style
- Quick APA style guide: http://library.concordia.ca/help/howto/apa.php
- Purdue University: http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/