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Finding Information for AHSC 260

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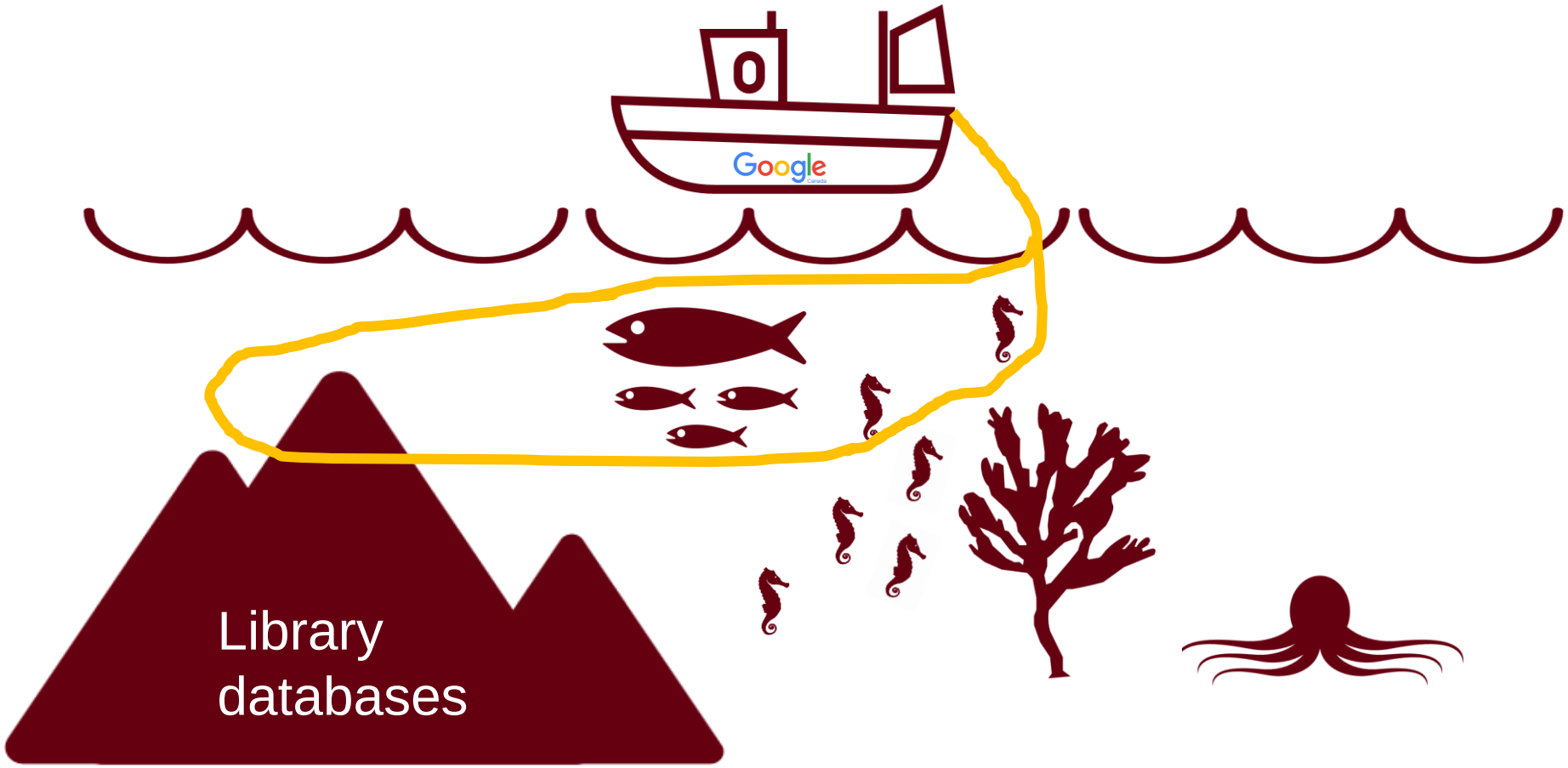
Today's Agenda

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

Searching with Google



Icons adapted from thenounproject.com

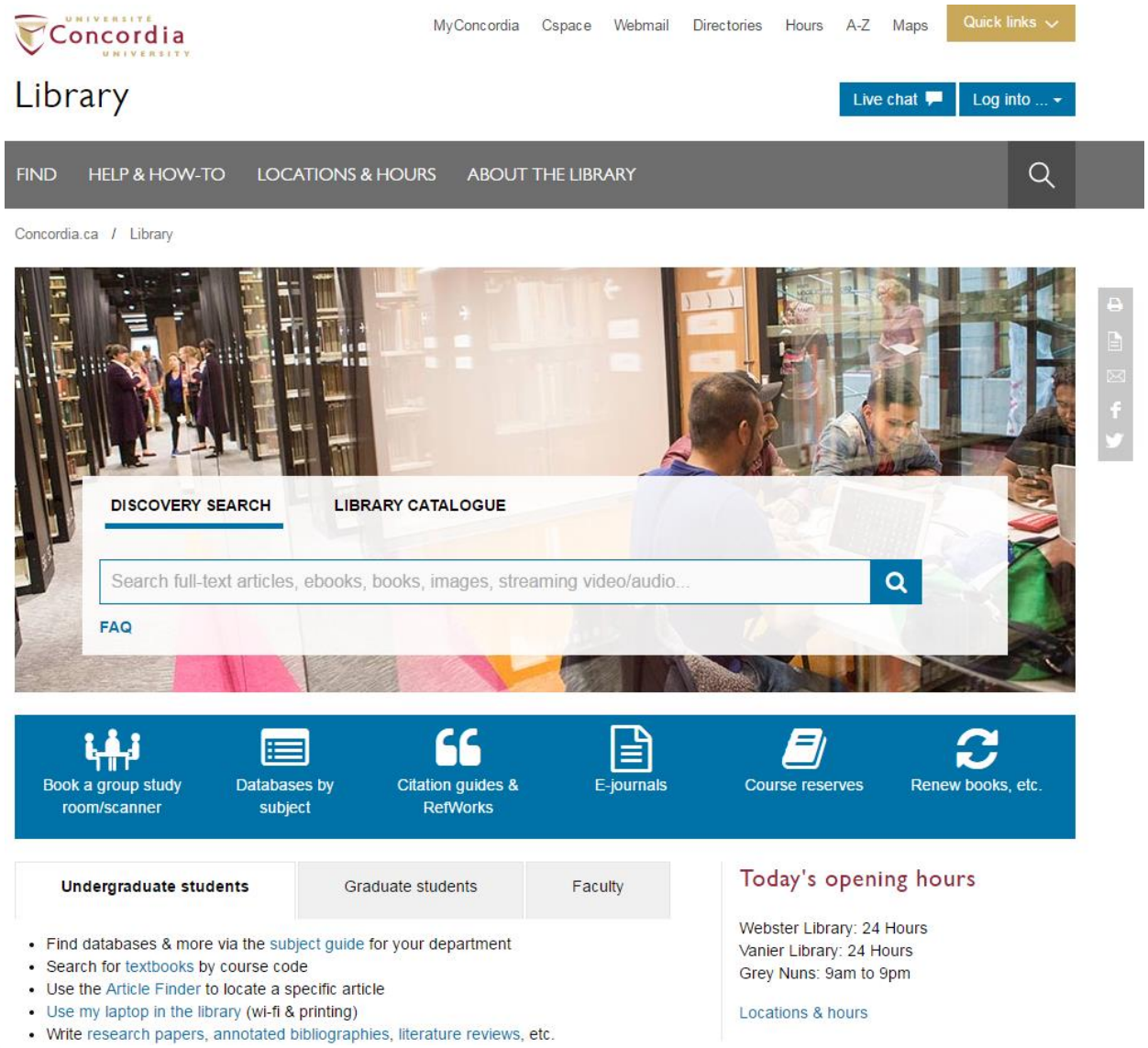
What you need and where to find it

- 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

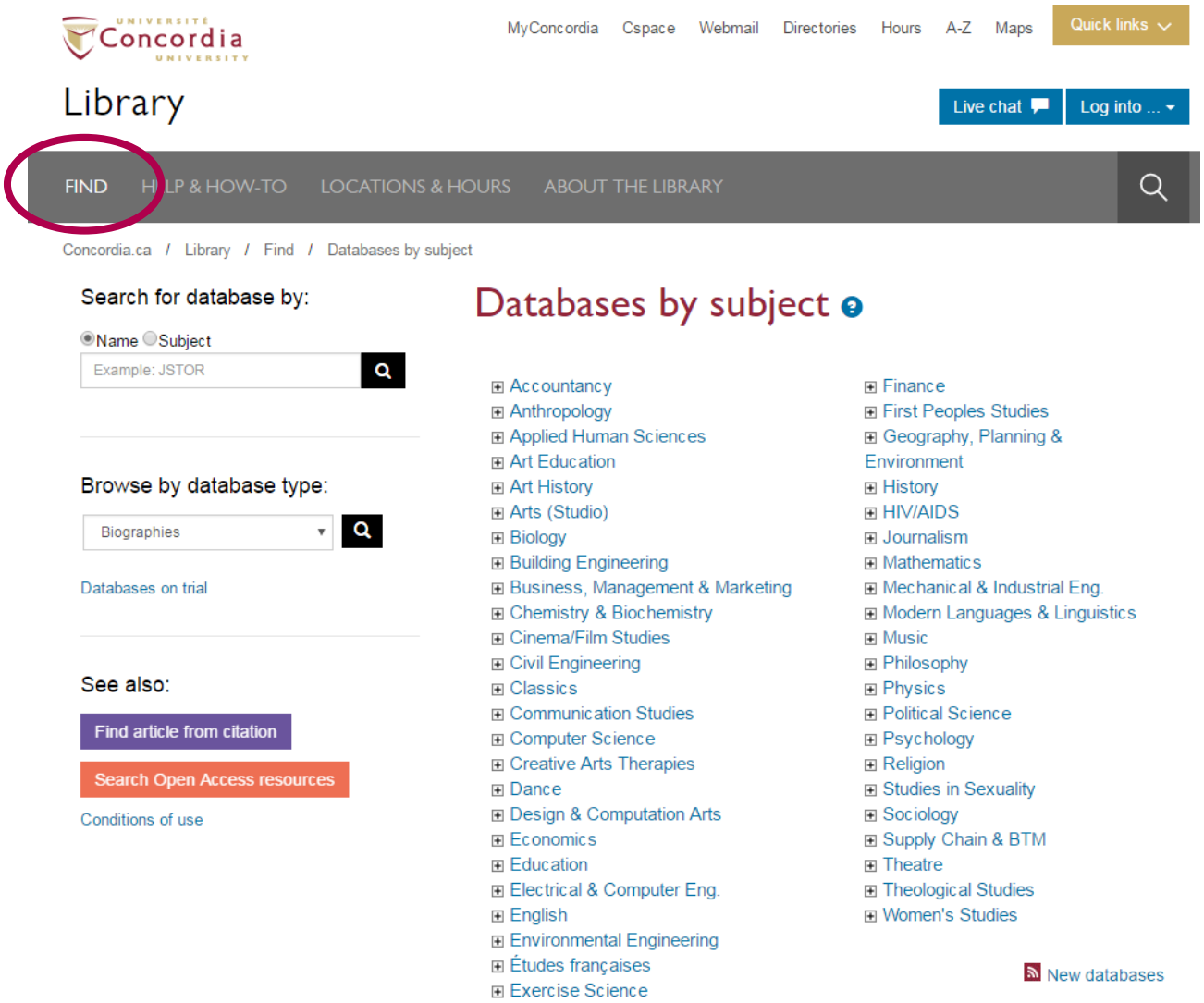
- To find books, go to the Library Catalogue (CLUES)
- To find journal articles, use Discovery Search or go to Databases by Subject
- Start at the Library homepage

library.concordia.ca

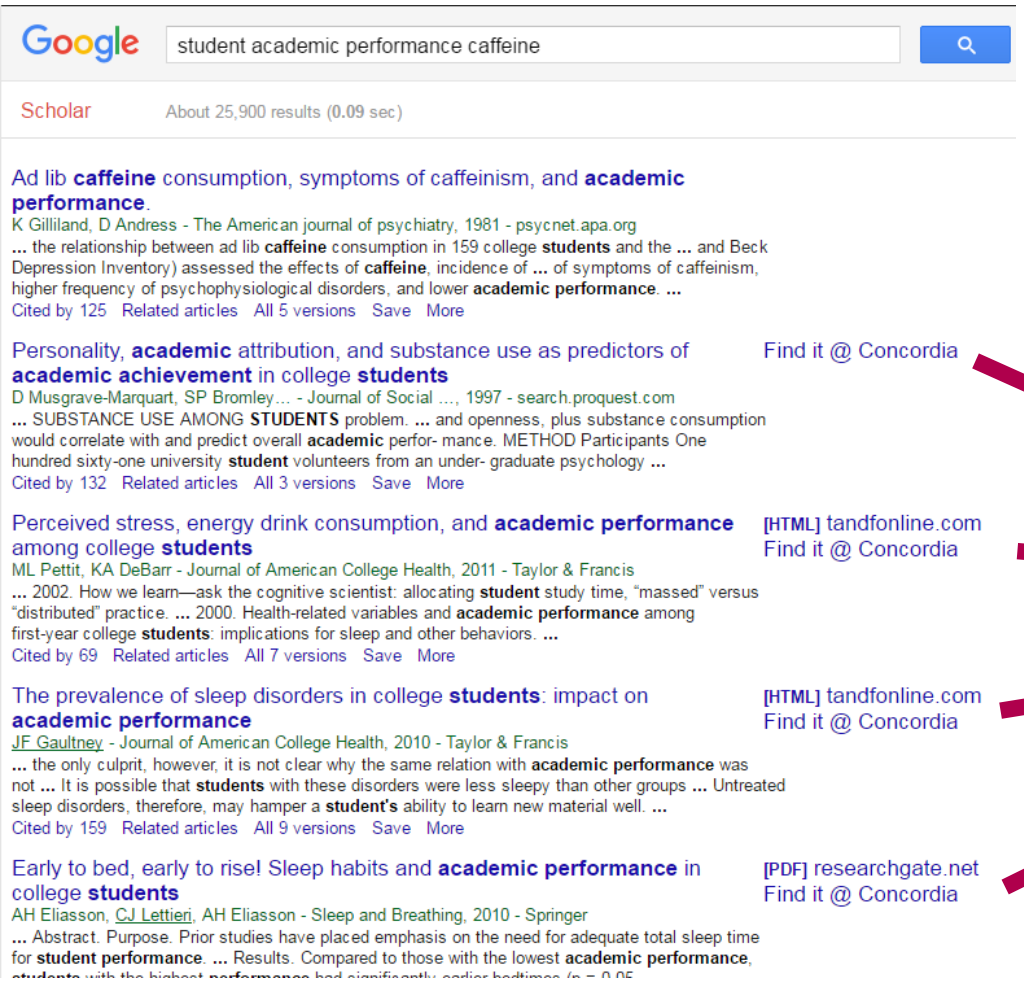


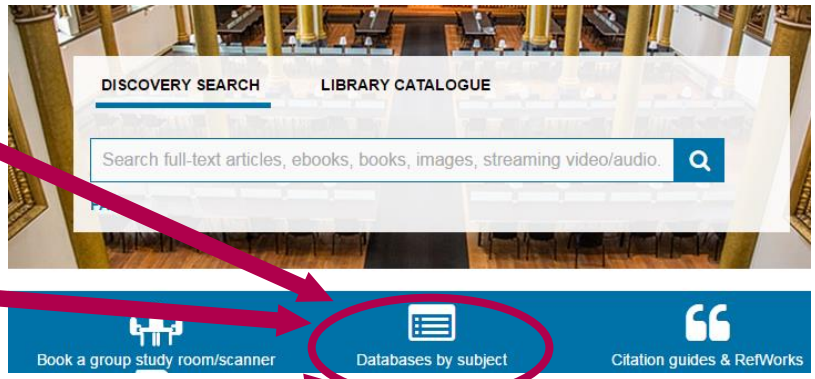
Discovery Search, Databases, and Library Catalogue

Articles in Library databases

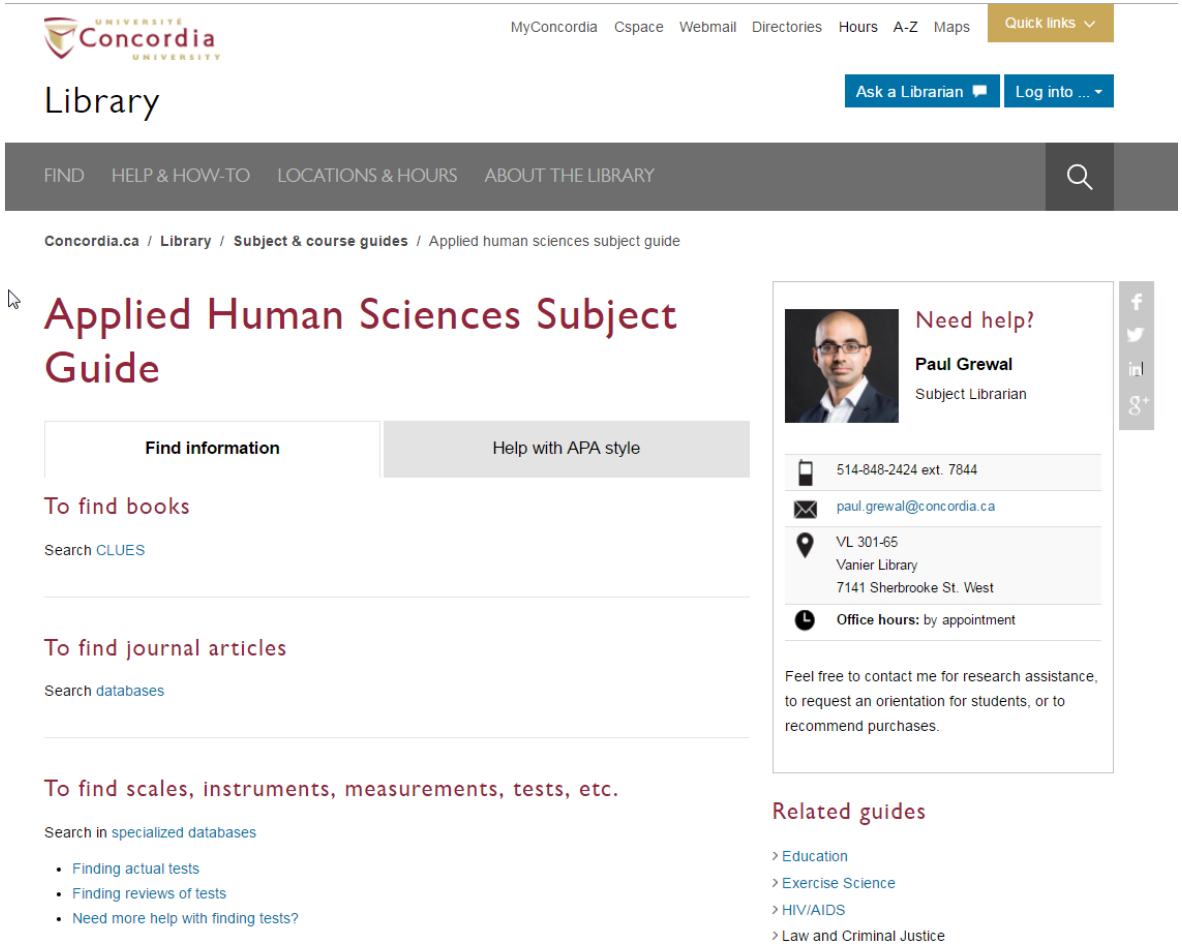


Using Google Scholar





AHSC Subject Guide



https://www.concordia.ca/library/guides/applied-human-sciences.html

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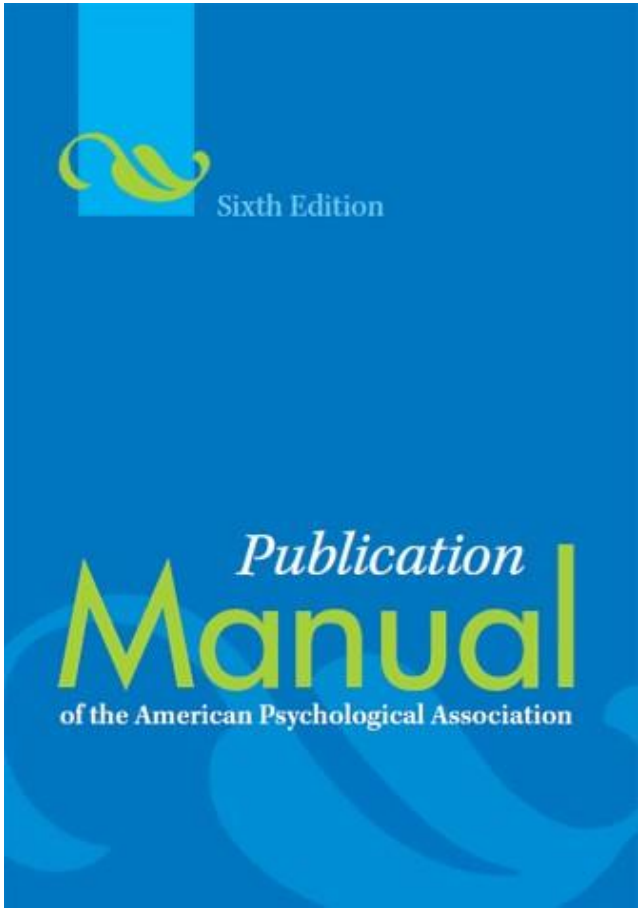
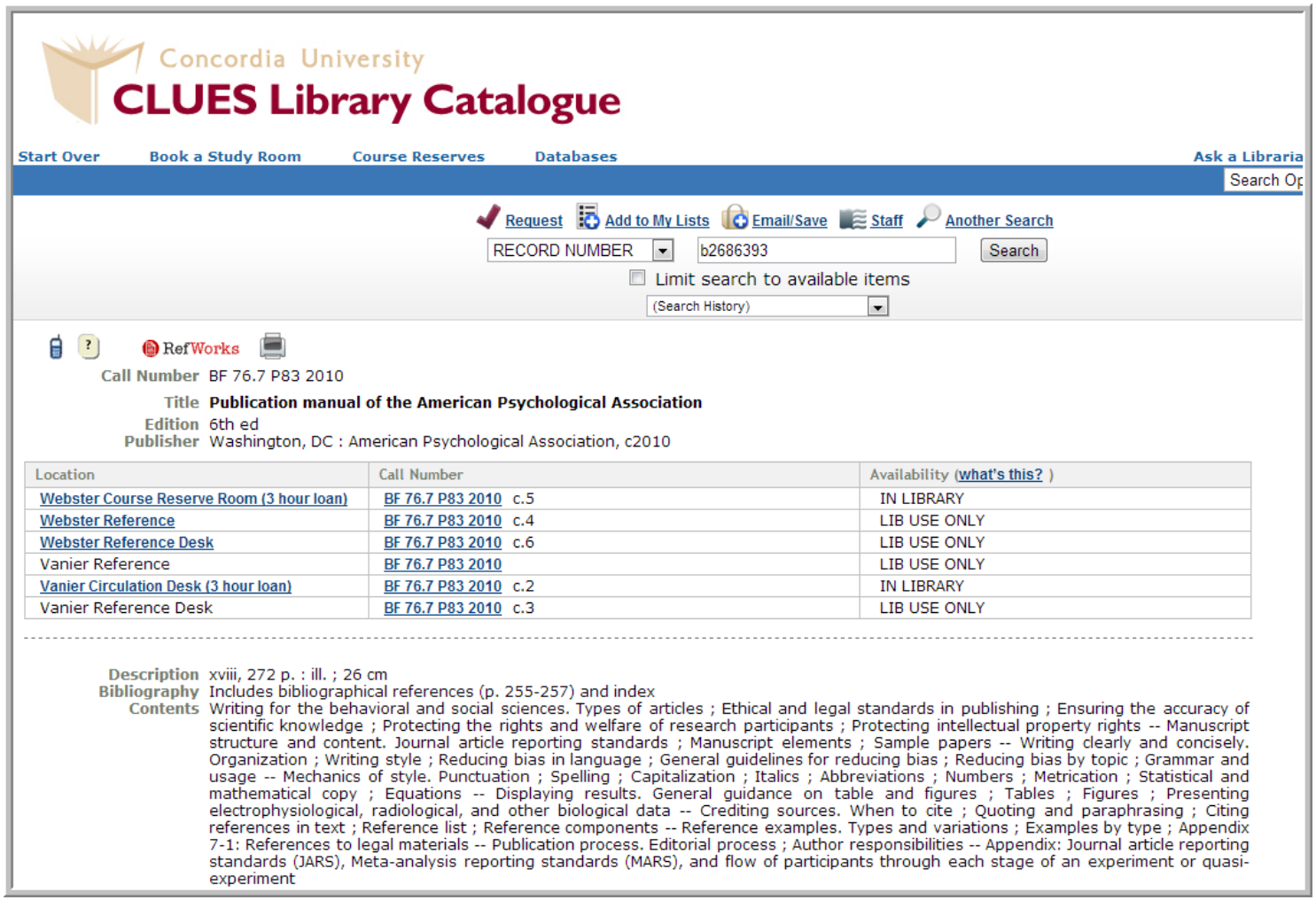
PRACTICE TIME

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.



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CLUES Library Catalogue

Start Over | Book a Study Room | Course Reserves | Databases | Ask a Libraria

Search Op

Request | Add to My Lists | Email/Save | Staff | Another Search

RECORD NUMBER | b2686393 | Search

Limit search to available items

(Search History)

RefWorks

Call Number BF 76.7 P83 2010

Title **Publication manual of the American Psychological Association**

Edition 6th ed

Publisher Washington, DC : American Psychological Association, c2010

Location	Call Number	Availability (what's this?)
Webster Course Reserve Room (3 hour loan)	BF 76.7 P83 2010 c.5	IN LIBRARY
Webster Reference	BF 76.7 P83 2010 c.4	LIB USE ONLY
Webster Reference Desk	BF 76.7 P83 2010 c.6	LIB USE ONLY
Vanier Reference	BF 76.7 P83 2010	LIB USE ONLY
Vanier Circulation Desk (3 hour loan)	BF 76.7 P83 2010 c.2	IN LIBRARY
Vanier Reference Desk	BF 76.7 P83 2010 c.3	LIB USE ONLY

Description xviii, 272 p. : ill. ; 26 cm

Bibliography Includes bibliographical references (p. 255-257) and index

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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

Database Exercise and Handout

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

- Government Information http://library.concordia.ca/research/internet/government/index.php
- Grant Connect http://clues.concordia.ca/record=b2632527
- *Associations Canada*
  Vanier Reference Desk: HS 17 A77
- *Encyclopedia of associations. International organizations*
  Vanier Reference Desk: HS 17 G33+
- *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/

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