



## Fall 2020 - Library Orientation For Political Science Graduate Students

### Library Research Assistance – Book an appointment with a librarian

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### Where to start your research

**Political Science Subject Guide for Graduate Students:** <http://bit.do/POLIGRAD20> provides recommended resources:

1. Materials from this **Graduate Library Orientation** workshop
2. Tools for **Getting Organized**
3. Links to **Library Services for Graduate Students** - Services for graduate students include borrowing privileges (up to 100 items), article delivery, help & how-to guides, dissertation support, consultations, and workshops.
4. **Library Research Resources** - here, you will find links for finding relevant books & Ebooks, Journals & Databases, Methods & Methodologies, Newspapers & Media Sources, and Specialized Resources (gov info, law, polls, and archives).
5. Tools to identify **Peer Review, Open access and Predatory Publishing**

### GradProSkills Library Workshops – Taught by Librarians

Here is a sample of some of our upcoming GradProSkills Library Workshops. *Clicking on the following course codes will send you to the workshop description and registration button.*

- [GPLL231](#) - Library Skills & Resources: Maximize Your Graduate Research Potential: Sept 24; Oct 22 2020
- [GPLL243](#) - Using Zotero for Grads; Sept 24; Oct. 6; Nov. 9 2020
- [GPLL245](#) - Researching Indigenous topics at the library; Nov. 12 2020
- [GPLL257](#) - Accessing Open Data; Oct 21 2020
- For all Librarian-led GradPro Skills workshops offered this term, [see this list](#).

### Journal Article Databases – Recommendations, all available on the Political Science Guide

- [Political Science Complete](#) - full-text article database, excellent journal coverage in political science, useful subject thesaurus.
- [International Political Science Abstracts \(IPSA\)](#) - full-text and citation databases, good international coverage
- [HeinOnline Law Journal Library](#) - law school journals, peer reviewed content, contains Canadian, American and some international law

- [ProQuest Combined Canadian](#) - search for articles in Canadian politics and government, Canadian public policy and public administration, Quebec politics, Canadian federalism and parliament
- [JSTOR](#) - archive of multidisciplinary journals, search for articles in Classical political theory and philosophy, Hellenistic, Roman, Medieval political philosophy

**Concordia Library Spaces** *Please note that our [Concordia University Library website](#) will keep up-to-date regarding the re-opening of its library spaces, which includes a dedicated graduate student space on the 5th floor of Webster Library (dissertation writer's rooms, lounge and kitchen).*