**Get started!**

Library website: [https://library.concordia.ca/](https://library.concordia.ca/)

Services for undergraduate students: [https://library.concordia.ca/help/users/undergraduates/index.php](https://library.concordia.ca/help/users/undergraduates/index.php)

**Choosing your research topic**

First step, make sure you have narrowed down your topic and have chosen several keywords. This will help you get better results.

What are the **key concepts** of your topic?

(festival* OR celebration*) AND (relig*) AND (wom?n)

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Resources

Academic sources

- Sofia Discovery tool: https://concordiauniversity.on.worldcat.org/
- Databases in Religions and Cultures: https://library.concordia.ca/find/databases/#religion
- All databases: https://library.concordia.ca/find/databases/
- Article Finder: https://concordiauniversity.on.worldcat.org/atoztitles#article
- Google Scholar: https://scholar.google.ca/
  - How to set up Google Scholar to find resources available at Concordia: https://library.concordia.ca/find/google-scholar.php

Popular media

- Newspapers & magazines
  - News and Current Events databases: https://library.concordia.ca/find/databases/by-type.php#news-current-events
- Television and radio broadcast transcripts
  - Databases: Factiva, Lexis-Nexis https://library.concordia.ca/find/databases/by-type.php#news-current-events
- Videos: https://library.concordia.ca/help/finding/videos.php

Writing your paper

Citing, bibliographies & Zotero: https://library.concordia.ca/help/citing/

For Additional Help

Questions & Answers

- Ask a Librarian service: https://library.concordia.ca/help/questions/
- Your Religions and Cultures librarian: Éthel Gamache
  - Contact me by email at ethel.gamache@concordia.ca
- Religions and Cultures Research guide: https://www.concordia.ca/library/guides/religion.html
**Practical information**

- Inter-Campus & Article Delivery: [https://library.concordia.ca/services/icd/deliveryreq.php](https://library.concordia.ca/services/icd/deliveryreq.php)

**Go further!**

Contact your librarian: Éthel Gamache, ethel.gamache@concordia.ca

Contact Ask-a-librarian service, via chat: [https://library.concordia.ca/help/questions/](https://library.concordia.ca/help/questions/)


*Online Research: Tips for Effective Search Strategies* (Youtube video, 3min04): [https://youtu.be/LTJygQwYV84](https://youtu.be/LTJygQwYV84)

*Search Smarter: creating searching strategies* (Youtube video by the University of Sydney, 2min42): [https://youtu.be/jzXveANkNJ](https://youtu.be/jzXveANkNJ)

How to evaluate research materials and resources: [https://library.concordia.ca/help/evaluating/evaluating.php](https://library.concordia.ca/help/evaluating/evaluating.php)