

Introduction to Effective Use of Library Services

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Tonight's Goals

- That you know how to begin finding resources in three different need scenarios.
- That you know your rights to access resources extend beyond our library's collections - and that the library supports and facilitates this.
- That you know that I am your librarian, and that assisting you in making effective use of UMKC Libraries is my job.

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Three “Need” Scenarios

- “I need a couple of articles for this course paper. It is not in my major area. I just need some sources!”
- “I know the paper/book/resource I need. How do I find it?”
- “I’m doing a research project in my major. I need to find a topic, research what’s been done, and write a proposal. Where do I start?”



First Scenario = RooSearch

RooSearch is like Google for UMKC Libraries.

It is the search box in the middle of the UMKC Libraries homepage.

Type a few terms in the box and click the “RooSearch” button.

Let’s try it out [right now](#).

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Second Scenario = Catalog or Database

Your choice depends on the type of resource.

Examples:

- Book? Start with [Library Catalog](#)
- Movie/Recording/Music Score? [Library Catalog](#) again
- Journal article - title and/or author? Choose [Databases](#)
- Journal article - specific issue and page number? Check [Journal Finder](#)

Let's try out a few of these examples [now](#).

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Third Scenario = Subject Databases

Subject databases:

- can give you results of extremely high relevance to your search.
- have powerful tools for both surveying a topic and refining searches
- have a learning curve in order to use effectively
- vary in interface from database to database

Individualized assistance from a librarian can improve your results and make you a better independent searcher.

Let's [look at a couple](#).

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Arrgh, I found this great article,
and UMKC doesn't have it!

We will get it for you!

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ILL is relatively painless, fast (24-72 hour turnaround on article requests, 7-10 days on books), and FREE for your use.

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Author: McDiarmid, D.R.
Journal: Journal of geophysical research
ISSN: 0148-0227 Date: 1999
Volume: 104 Issue: a8 Page: 17409 - 17417


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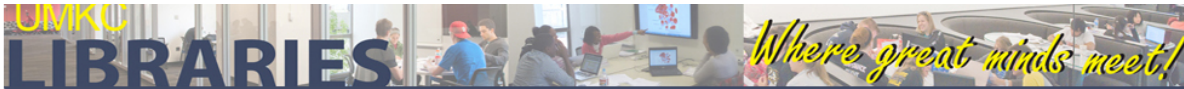
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New Request

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View

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Research

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* Inclusive Pages 17409-17417

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