Quick Search

Search for Articles at KU Libraries
Begin at the Libraries homepage (lib.ku.edu).

- You can search for journal articles by entering your keywords, titles, or author(s) using the Libraries’ main search box.

- A good searching technique to remember is to put quotation marks around phrases that identify your topic. This helps to focus your results.

- Click the Search button.
• It is always a good idea to login using your KU online ID to take advantage of more advanced features like: recalling books, saving items and searches, tagging items and more.
• To filter to journal and newspaper articles, select the **Articles and more** tab at the top of the page. The results will automatically adjust.
• There are further options to expand or narrow your search results on the left-hand side of the page.
  • For example, under the **Show Only** section, you can limit your results to peer-reviewed journals.
    • Most scholarly journals are peer reviewed publications, which means the articles in them must be evaluated and approved by a panel of experts before they can be published.
  • You can also select a date range by using the slider in the **Date** section.
• Additional filters under the heading **Narrow My Results** that you can use to further refine your search are: format, topic, date of publication, author, language, database, and journal.

• Clicking on **More options** under any of the headings provides a larger list of terms to choose from.
• Clicking on **More options** opens the **Refine Search box** which allow you to include or exclude filter terms.
  • Just click in a box to add an X, then click on the **Continue** button.
• NOTE: You do not need to put an X in every single box, especially if you are combing include and exclude options in a single search.
If your results are not satisfactory, you may want to click on the box next to **Expand beyond library collection** under the heading **Expand My Results** on the lower left-hand side of the page to obtain additional citations to content outside the KU Libraries’ collections and subscriptions.

- You can request articles not available at KU Libraries through our **Interlibrary Loan** service.
• You can click on Advanced Search next to the Search button at the top of the page to for terms in specific fields, such as title or author, indicate a date range for publications, and/or choose a language.

• View the video on Advanced & Browse Searching for more information
When the text “Full text available” appears in the search result list, it means that the whole article is available electronically. To retrieve the article, click on the article title.
• You can select a number of articles by clicking in the box by each article title.

• These citations will be saved to your e-Shelf, which you can access later once your search is completed.
• To view the search results you have saved, you will need to click on the **e-Shelf** link located at the top right of the page.

• Remember, in order to save these results for viewing at a later date, you must sign in with your KU ID and password. You can sign in before or after clicking on the **e-Shelf** link.

• The **e-Shelf** lists the marked results, which you can e-mail, print, or export to additional tools such as **EndNote** and **Zotero**.
• The brief record information which includes links to the online resource, abstracts, record details and location of any print holdings, will display for each item in your e-shelf.

• You can click on **Email/Print/Export** on any of these tabs.

• To retrieve saved e-Shelf items, search queries or information about your library account, sign in and then click on the **e-Shelf** link at the top right-hand side of the page.
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