

Accessing Online Peer Reviewed Articles

Step 1: Go to:

<http://libweb1.lib.buffalo.edu/infotree/resourcesbysubject.asp?subject=Social+Work>

This link brings you to the **Social Work Top Resources** for searching articles and electronic journals that you will find helpful in doing research for your Social Work courses.

You'll notice that some of these online databases offer **Full –Text** articles, others only offer **Partial Full-Text**.

Step 2: For purposes of this tutorial choose **Academic Search Complete** but please take the time to explore the other databases, at your leisure.

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[Academic Search Complete](#)

For Peer-Reviewed Articles - This database provides one-click access to the full-text of more than 200 scholarly journals in social work. It also includes more than 1000 full-text journals in psychology, medicine, public affairs and related disciplines. Sophisticated search features enable the user to minimize irrelevant references, identify peer-reviewed journals, and the like. This is the place to start for most topics in social work. NOTE: It is usually a good idea to run simultaneous searches in Academic Search Complete, PsycINFO, and Social Work Abstracts. To do this, click on 'Choose Databases' when you are in Academic Search Complete (located just above the first search box) and select these databases. Covers at least the last 10 years for most journals. [More Info](#)

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SUBJECT LIBRARIAN


Howard B. Plkoff is the subject librarian for Social Work and is available for research consultations, instruction, curricular support & purchase requests.

Step 3: When you click on Academic Search Complete you will be brought to the **EBSCO HOST** page.

Searching: Academic Search Complete Choose Database

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Search Modes and Expanders

Search mode

Boolean/Phrase
Find all my search terms
Find any of my search terms
SmartFast Searching

Apply related words

Also search within the full text of the articles

Limit your results

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Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals
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Step 4: On the **EBSCO HOST** page, you will *enter your search topic* in the box at the top of the page.

Notice your **Search Options**. You can choose whether you want to search a phrase, whether you want to find all your search terms, any of your search terms, or SmartText Searching.

You may or may not want to check the box for **Full Text**. This will give you a search result for full text articles only. Full text articles may be helpful when doing research for a paper, as you will get more information from a full text article.

Also, you can check the box for **Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals**. By checking this box, your search will yield only articles from Peer Reviewed Journals.

You may be required in your courses to have a particular number of articles from **Peer Reviewed Journals** listed on your references page.

You can also choose a **Published Date** to narrow your results if you are looking for articles published during a specific month or year, or you may be searching for a particular article that you know was published during a specific month and year. This will narrow your results significantly.

The screenshot displays the EBSCO HOST search interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Searching: Academic Search Complete | Choose Databases". Below the search bar are three input fields for search terms, each with a "Select a Field (optional)" dropdown menu. To the right of the search bar are "Search" and "Clear" buttons. Below the search bar are links for "Basic Search", "Advanced Search", and "Search History".

The "Search Options" section is expanded, showing various filters and settings:

- Search Modes and Expanders:** Includes "Search modes" with options for "Books/Phrase", "Find all my search terms", "Find any of my search terms", and "SmartText Searching". There are also checkboxes for "Apply related words" and "Also search within the full text of the articles".
- Limit your results:** Includes checkboxes for "Full Text" and "Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals". There is a "Publication" input field.
- Document Type:** A dropdown menu with options like "Abstract", "Article", and "Bibliography".
- Number of Pages:** A dropdown menu with "All" selected.
- References Available:** Includes a "Published Date" section with "Month" and "Year" dropdown menus, and a "Publication Type" dropdown menu with options like "Periodical", "Newspaper", and "Book".
- Language:** A dropdown menu with options like "All Languages", "Arabic", and "Asian/Asian".
- Cover Story:** Includes a checkbox for "PDF Full Text".

A "Reset" button is located in the top right corner of the "Search Options" section, and a "Search" button is in the bottom right corner.

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Step 5: For purpose of this tutorial, I've entered the words *Access to healthcare in rural areas* in the search box. I've also checked the box for both **Full Text**, and **Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals**. Then I clicked the **Search** button at the bottom of the page.

This search yields 13 results. By clicking the link to the **PDF Full Text** listed under each article, you will be able to pull up the article directly, and then will be given options to save and print.

EBSCO Academic Search Complete

Search: Access to healthcare in rural areas

13 Results for: Access to healthcare in rural areas

1. Services doing the best they can: service experiences of young adults with type 1 diabetes mellitus in rural Australia.

By: Perry, Lisa; Lowe, Julia M; Stemberck, Katherine S; Dunbar, Janet S. Journal of Clinical Nursing, Jul2012, Vol. 21 Issue 13/14, p1955-1963. 9p. DOI: 10.1111/j.1365-2702.2011.04012.x.

Subjects: RURAL health services; AGE; COMMUNITY health services; CONTINUUM of care; DIABETICS; HEALTH services accessibility; INSULIN-dependent diabetes; INTERVIEWING; RESEARCH -- Methodology; MEDICAL care; RESEARCH; RESEARCH conditions; SAMPLING (Statistics); SOUND recordings; TELEPHONE; QUALITATIVE research; SOCIAL support; THEMATIC analysis; INFORMATION needs; RESEARCH subjects (Persons); PATIENT selection; PATIENTS -- Attitudes; AUSTRALIA; NEW Individual and Family Services; Other local, municipal and regional public administration; Residential Mental Health and Substance Abuse Facilities; Community health centres; All Other Outpatient Care Centres; Marketing Research and Public Opinion; Record Production/Distribution; Sound recording merchant wholesalers; Record Production; Electronic components, navigational and communications equipment and supplies merchant wholesalers

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2. Prospective Student Pharmacist Interest in a Rural Pharmacy Curriculum.

By: O'Connor, Shanna K.; Reichard, Jeffrey S.; Thrasher, Kim A.; Joyner, Pamela U. American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education, 2012, Vol. 76 Issue 6, p1-6. 6p. 3 Charts.

Subjects: PHARMACY students; PHARMACY -- Study & teaching; MEDICAL schools -- Curricula; MEDICAL education; RURAL health; PHARMACY colleges; SURVEYS; Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools

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3. Barriers to healthcare as reported by rural and urban interprofessional providers.

By: Brems, Christine; Johnson, Mark; Warner, Todd; Roberts, Laura. Journal of Interprofessional Care, Mar2006, Vol. 20 Issue 2, p105-118. 14p. 3 Charts. DOI: 10.1080/13561820600622208.

Subjects: MEDICAL care; HEALTH services accessibility; HOSPITAL care; PATIENTS; CITIES & towns; ALASKA; NEW Mexico

Database: Academic Search Complete

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Step 6: Choosing an article.

After scrolling through the search results, let's say you want to access choice #3, as it sounds like it may have the most information that is relevant to what you are researching. Click on the title of the article: **Barriers to healthcare as reported by rural and urban interprofessional providers.**

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4. Chronic disease prevalence and care among the elderly in urban and rural Beijing, China—a 10/66 Dementia Research Group cross-sectional survey.

By: Zhong Li; Albanese, Emiliano; Shran Li; Yuejin Huang; Fern, Cleusa P.; Fang Yan; Sousa, Renata; Weimin Dang; Prince, Martin. BMC Public Health, 2009, Vol. 9, p394-404. 11p. 5 Charts. DOI: 10.1186/1471-2458-9-394.

Subjects: CHRONIC diseases; HUNTINGTON'S chorea; MEDICAL care; AGING; RISK exposure; HEALTH facilities -- Utilization; CHINA

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Step 7: By clicking on the article title, you will be brought to a more detailed view of the record, including the Authors, Source, and an Abstract. You can read the abstract and decide if this is, in fact, the type of research you are looking for, and whether you would like to access the full text.

The screenshot shows a detailed record page for the article "Barriers to healthcare as reported by rural and urban interprofessional providers". The page includes a sidebar on the left with a "PDF Full Text" button highlighted in yellow. The main content area displays the article title, authors (Sherris, Christine; Johnson, Mark; Warner, Todd; Roberts, Larry), source (Journal of Interprofessional Care, Mar 2006, Vol. 20 Issue 2, pp105-118, 14p, 3 Charts), and document type (Article). It also lists subject terms (MEDICAL care, HEALTH services accessibility, HOSPITAL care, PATIENTS, CITIES & TOWNS), geographic terms (ALASKA, NEW MEXICO), author-supplied keywords (barriers to care, disparities, rural), and an abstract. The abstract text is circled in red. The page also shows author affiliations, ISSN, DOI, and accession number. A sidebar on the right contains various utility icons like "Add to folder", "Print", "E-mail", "Save", "Cite", "Export", "Create Note", "Permalink", and "Bookmark".

If you would like to see the full text, click on **PDF Full Text** on the left hand side of the page.

Step 8: Saving or Printing an Article

Once you have pulled up the **PDF Full Text**, you have the option to either print the article, save the article, or you can email the article to yourself to read later on, or print at a later time. Click on either the print or email icon on the sidebar.

The screenshot shows the full text page of the article. The page header includes the journal title "Journal of Interprofessional Care," the issue information "March 2006; 20(2): 105-118", and the Taylor & Francis logo. The main title of the article is "Barriers to healthcare as reported by rural and urban interprofessional providers". On the right side, there is a vertical sidebar with several utility icons. A red circle highlights the "Print" and "Email" icons in this sidebar.

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Step 9: Perhaps you've pulled this article, and though relevant, you'd like more articles similar to it. Perhaps you'd like a broader selection of articles to choose from. The first search yielded only 13 articles but it was also a pretty narrow search. You can yield a greater number of results by doing a broader search.

You may notice that the article title, ***Barriers to healthcare as reported by rural and urban interprofessional providers***, includes some key words that will help you broaden your search.

I've gone back to the **EBSCO HOST** page and entered **barriers to health care** in the search box. I also entered the same Limiters of **Full Text** and **Scholarly (Peer Reviewed Journals)**. You'll see that the new search has yielded 469 articles.

The screenshot shows the EBSCO Academic Search Complete interface. At the top, the search query is "barriers to healthcare". The search results are displayed in a list format. The first three results are:

- A qualitative study on healthcare professionals' perceived barriers to insulin initiation in a multi-ethnic population.**
BMC Family Practice. 2012, Vol. 12 Issue 1, 628-38. 11p. 2 Charts.
Subjects: INSULIN -- Therapeutic use; ATTITUDE (Psychology); FEAR; FOCUS group; HEALTH services accessibility; HOSPITALS -- Outpatient services; INTERVIEWING; PHENOMENOLOGY; RESEARCH -- Methodology; MEDICAL cooperation; MEDICAL personnel; MOTIVATION (Psychology); NON-insulin-dependent diabetes; PHYSICIANS; RELIGION; RESEARCH -- Evaluation; RESEARCH -- Finance; SELF-efficacy; SOUND recordings; STIGMA (Social psychology); QUALITATIVE research; JUDGMENT sampling; CULTURAL values; LEADERS; COMMUNICATION barriers; THEMATIC analysis; HEALTH literacy; DATA analysis -- Software; DESCRIPTIVE statistics; MALAYSIA; All Other Outpatient Care Centers; Pharmaceutical and medicine manufacturing; Offices of Physicians (except Mental Health Specialists); Offices of physicians; Integrated Record Production/Distribution; Sound recording merchant wholesalers; Record Production
Database: Academic Search Complete
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PDF Full Text(209K)
- "Completely out-of-sens" with "two-gender medicine": A qualitative analysis of physician-side barriers to providing healthcare for transgender patients.**
By: Swigonske, John W.; Jansofanos, Amanda M.; Rawa, Bradley W.; Head, Evan M.; Bauer, Orieta R. BMC Health Services Research. 2012, Vol. 12 Issue 1, p110-122. 13p. DOI: 10.1186/1472-6963-12-110.
Subjects: TRANSGENDER people; MEDICAL care; MENTAL health; MEDICAL personnel; MEDICAL policy; Administration of Public Health Programs; Offices of Mental Health Practitioners (except Physicians)
Database: Academic Search Complete
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PDF Full Text(255K)
- Barriers to healthcare utilization in fatiguing illness: a population-based study in Georgia.**
By: Lin, Jin-Huan S.; Brimmer, Dana J.; Boneva, Roumiana S.; Jones, James F.; Reeves, William C. BMC Health Services Research. 2009, Vol. 9, Special section p1-11. 11p. 4 Charts. DOI: 10.1186/1472-6963-9-13.
Subjects: MEDICAL care -- Utilization; FATIGUE; SOCIODEMOGRAPHIC factors; HEALTH services accessibility; GEORGIA
Database: Academic Search Complete
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The left sidebar shows the search filters. The "Refine Search" section is circled in red, showing "469 Results for..." and the search term "barriers to healthcare". The "Limiters" section is also circled in red, showing "Full Text" and "Scholarly (Peer Reviewed Journals)" selected. The "Refine your results" section shows "Full Text" and "Scholarly (Peer Reviewed Journals)" selected. The "Source Types" section shows "All Results" and "Academic Journals (499)" selected. The "Subject: Thesaurus Term" section is also visible.