Nursing Research in the ACC Libraries

Finding Books

- Use a catalog keyword search for fastest results
- Results are presented in relevancy order, meaning that the titles that match most exactly appear at the top. You can sort by date to see the most current books.
- Note that the general call number area for most books on nursing is WY.
- Use our nursing online ebook service, Nursing Books @Ovid to quickly search the contents of dozens of ebooks on nursing and general medicine.

Finding Articles

- Use either the “Find Books, Articles and More” box on the homepage or click on the A-Z List of All Databases link at the bottom of the yellow box (best option!).
- The best databases to use for nursing articles are:
  - CINAHL Plus with Full Text
  - PubMed
  - HealthSource: Nursing/Academic Edition
  - Health Reference Center Academic
  - Academic Search Complete
- Remember to use the asterisk (*) to get variations on a word and thus more results: ex: myocard* will retrieve myocardium, myocardial, etc.
- Look for limiting to full-text only if you only want articles available online
- Be aware of the differences between trade magazines and academic journals. Look for a way to limit between these types of publications. Academic journal articles are usually designated by the words: academic journals, refereed, peer reviewed, scholarly journals.

Finding Information on the Web

- If you're not sure where to begin, you can start at the ACC Library Research Guide for nursing information: http://researchguides.austincc.edu/nursing
- Pay attention to the difference in information found from different domains, (i.e., whether the page is from a .com, .org, or .gov website
- Do everything you can to find out who the authors of a page are and where they are coming from – what is their agenda, or their reason for putting this information online?
- Check to see if the page is current and if the information can be found in more than one place.
- Remember that detailed clinical nursing information is not often found in the open parts of the internet. This information is more likely to be found in full-text journal databases, electronic books, and print books.

Learn to use the library’s resources – we'll be glad to help!

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FIND ARTICLES AND RESEARCH INFORMATION
The upper box searches all ACC databases, which can be messy. If you want to search a specific database, try the button for A-Z List of All Databases. From there you can look for databases on a topic or choose a specific database from the alphabetical list. Remember, the primary database for nursing information is CINAHL. For more full-text articles, see HealthSource: Nursing/Academic Edition, Health Reference Center – Academic, or Academic Search Premier. You can also use Pubmed to identify articles in our databases AND in print on our shelves in the library.

Research Guides
The Research Guide for Nursing can be found here.

Remember! You must login with your ACCeID and password in order to access resources using a non-ACC computer or network.