

SEARCHING EBSCOHost Databases

From the SCC Libraries' homepage click on "ARTICLES (Databases)"

Double click on "EBSCOhost"

Click on "SCC DATABASES"

Choose the database you wish to search. Click on "CONTINUE"

TO DO A KEYWORD SEARCH

Enter your search terms in the empty fields.

Under **LIMIT YOUR RESULTS** there are a variety of options that can help narrow your search. Scroll down the page to see all the options. You may:

- Limit your search to journals that SCC libraries own by clicking on the box that says **SCC PERIODICALS**.
- Limit your search to **FULL TEXT**. You may either print the full text or email it to yourself. If the SCC libraries own a periodical that is available in full text, please use the library copy. It will save printing costs and reading the actual periodical is usually preferable.
- You can also limit your search to periodicals that are **SCHOLARLY (PEER REVIEWED) JOURNALS**. This will narrow your search to "scholarly journals" that have an extensive review process before articles are published.
- Some of the limiting options will also appear to the right of the results list.

There are a number of other limiting options as well. When you have selected all the options you want, **click on the SEARCH button**.

Results will be displayed; **click on the ARTICLE TITLE (which is displayed in blue type)** to display the full citation and an abstract or the full text of the article.

Full text will be indicated by an icon (HTML Full Text) at the end of a citation. A different icon (PDF Full Text) will indicate that there is a full page image of the article. To print that image, click on the full page image icon. *Adobe Acrobat Reader* will load. Click on the printer icon on the *Adobe Acrobat Reader* toolbar to print the article. You must print the PDF full text images one at a time. There are also links to full text in other databases. Click on "**Linked Full Text**" and follow the links to the full text.

To PRINT your citation and article

- Click on the **PRINT** button.
- If you do NOT want to print the fulltext of an article, unmark the box by **HTML Full Text (when available)**.
- Click the **PRINT icon**. The citation and article will be reformatted for printing. The print dialog box will appear. Please print on both sides of the paper. Click **Preferences** in the print dialog box and check the **Print on both sides** box.
- Click on **BACK** to return to the Print Manager page.
- Click **BACK** to return to the Results page.

You may e-mail the citations to yourself by clicking on the **E-mail** icon.

You may print one detailed citation and abstract at a time from the detailed display, or you may print several citations at once by putting the citations you want to print in the folder using the icon to the right of the citation. To print the items in the folder click on **FOLDER icon**, then follow the printing instructions. You may set up a personal **My EBSCOHost** folder. Once you have signed in to **My EBSCOHost**, you may save results from session to session. You may also create custom folders and share those folders with others. Click on **Sign in to MY EBSCOHost** and follow the instructions to set up a personal folder.

If you wish to cite an article, for which you have downloaded the full text, you must provide the name of the database through which you obtained the article and the date you downloaded it. If you have followed the "Linked Full Text", the database that has provided the full text will be different than the database you searched. The name of the database will appear in the detailed results for the article.

Sample Citation for a Full Text Article:

Pyne, Stephen J. "The Human Geography of Fire: A Research Agenda." *Progress in Human Geography* 33.4 (2009): 443-446. *Academic Search Elite*. Web. 19 Aug. 2009.

NoodleTools, an online bibliographic utility, can assist you in making citations. You will find a link to it on the SCC Library website.

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