



Madigan Library

<http://www.pct.edu/library/>

How To Find Resources in the Madigan Library

Find Books, Videos, DVDs, CDs in the Madigan Library

Go to the [Madigan Library Homepage](#)

Click on [Library Catalog](#) in the left sidebar

Type in your keywords - Choose “words & phrases,” “title” or other

Use the word AND to connect keywords & phrases

Or use [Power Search](#) to set limits, i.e. “type”: Book, Music CD, DVD, etc.

Use a broader term, if you do not find your topic.

Not finding what you want? [Ask a Librarian](#)

Find Magazine, Newspaper or Journal Titles

Go to the [Madigan Library Homepage](#)

Under “Find Articles”

Click on “[Locate journals, magazines, newspapers](#)”

Type or copy (from a database) & paste the title of a periodical.

If the title is in the “Madigan Library Periodical Collection” click on it.

Look at the “Holdings” for years and locations:

If the title is in a Database, Click on it.

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Find Electronic Books Online

Go to the [Madigan Library Homepage](#)

Click on [Library Catalog](#) in left sidebar

Click in “Search only Electronic Books” box

Find Magazine, Newspaper or Journal Articles in Databases

Go to the [Madigan Library Homepage](#)

Under “Find Articles”, Click on “[Choose by Subject](#)” or by [Database](#)

Choose a DATABASE appropriate for your topic.

Search Tips

Spell correctly!!

Use AND to connect two or three terms (i.e. air pollution and health)

Check “Subject Lists”, Thesauri, etc - every database has a controlled vocabulary!

Check the “Help” screens – every database is different!

For historical information, also use the print issues of Readers’ Guide, New York Times Index & other appropriate print indexes located on the second floor in the Madigan Library. See [“How to Find Articles in the New York Times”](#)

Get Articles or Books

From the [Madigan Library Homepage](#)

1. Use [Locate journals, magazines, newspapers](#): Is the article in another database or in the “Madigan Library Periodical Collection”?

Under “Find Articles”, Click: [Locate journals, magazines, newspapers](#)

Search for the title of your magazine

Is the title in another database?

Make sure the date you need is available

Click on the Database name & find your article

Is the title in the “Madigan Library Periodical Collection”

Check the HOLDINGS for years & location.

If your title is not in the Madigan Library or in a database, “Request materials from another library” [Interlibrary Loan](#) (ILLiad). You must register as “A First User” .

Need help? [Ask a Librarian](#)

2. Use Interlibrary Loan

Complete a “Request materials from another library” [Interlibrary Loan](#) (ILLiad) on the library homepage. You must “register” as a “First time user”.

Allow at least 2 weeks for books, 2-4 days for emailed article

Some weeks are busier than others during the semester, both for our library and other college libraries – please plan accordingly.

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