

Library Resources and Help



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Getting Started

- **Psychology Research Guide** <https://libguides.uky.edu/psychology> - the most efficient starting place to search for scholarly journal articles on psychology. Bookmark for later use!
- **InfoKat Discovery** <https://libraries.uky.edu/> - check InfoKat Discovery to see what UK Libraries owns. No need to set up a personal account.
- **LibKey Nomad** <https://libguides.uky.edu/ThirdIron/NomadStart> - a browser extension that provides seamless one-click (!) access to UK Library journal subscriptions, no matter where you are on the Internet. up today. Available for Chrome and Firefox browsers. Add your extension today to make PDF-hunting easier.
- **Google Scholar** <https://scholar.google.com/> - Google Scholar does not know you have access to UK Library subscriptions unless you tell it! In Google Scholar, go to Settings --> Library Links --> type: University of Kentucky --> add all U of Ky options --> Save.
- **UKnowledge** https://uknowledge.uky.edu/psychology_etds/ - repository includes UK psychology dissertations and theses
- **Interlibrary Loan** <https://libraries.uky.edu/ILL> - borrow journal articles and print books from other libraries. Article PDFs usually arrive within 48 hours. Set up your free ILLiad account today.

- **EndNote Online** (optional)– bibliographic management software. Get started at <https://libguides.uky.edu/socialwork/writing>. Or use **Zotero**, a Firefox plug-in, to manage your articles and other resources.

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Key information resources for research in clinical psychology, cognitive neuroscience, developmental psychology, social psychology, and health psychology.

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Best Bets for Finding Psychology Research

- **PsycINFO**

Provides access to abstracts, citations, articles, books, and dissertations in the psychological, social, and behavioral sciences. Includes all American Psychological Association journals.
- **Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection**

Searchable access to approximately 575 full-text publications, including 550 peer-reviewed journals. In addition to the full-text, indexing and abstracts are provided for all additional journals in the collection.
- **Sociological Collection**

Social Sciences Librarian

Psychology Research Guide, UK Libraries, <https://libguides.uky.edu/psychology>

UK librarians create research guides for every discipline. The Psychology Research Guide provides quick links to databases and how-to information related to psychology research.

Note about access: Log in to UK Library databases with a current LINKBLUE login and Duo Security two-factor authentication.

- *PsycINFO, MEDLINE, PubMed, and Web of Science Core Collection*, for finding scholarly journal articles.
- Resources for finding reviews of psychological instruments, datasets, and statistics
- InfoKat Discovery - for finding eBooks and any other resources UK Libraries own
- How to read a journal article
- Getting Started with EndNote Online
- Contact information for Margie Ruppel, UK Social Sciences Librarian

Additional relevant guides:

- Social Work guide <https://libguides.uky.edu/socialwork>
- Sociology Research Guide <https://libguides.uky.edu/sociology>
- Education Research Guide <https://libguides.uky.edu/education>

Popular eBooks

- *DSM-5-TR* <https://psychiatryonline.org/doi/book/10.1176/appi.books.9780890425787>
- *Mental Measurements Yearbook* https://saalck-uky.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01SAA_UKY/15remem/alma9918194356802636
- *Health and Psychosocial Instruments* https://saalck-uky.primo.exlibrisgroup.com/permalink/01SAA_UKY/15remem/alma9941334583102636
- *Oxford Clinical Psychology* eBook manuals– evidence-based cognitive-behavioral treatment programs <https://libguides.uky.edu/psychology/oxford>

Getting Help at UK Libraries

Ask Us! is UK Libraries' chat and email service. Use it for quick access and troubleshooting questions. Go to <https://libraries.uky.edu/> and look for the yellow Ask Us box.

For more in-depth questions, contact Margie Ruppel, the **UK librarian for psychology**. Feel free to contact her directly at margie.ruppel@uky.edu or schedule a one-on-one consultation to be held on Zoom or in person. Consultations can be scheduled at <https://libcal.uky.edu/appointments>.



Margie Ruppel, Social Sciences Librarian, UK Libraries.

Do not hesitate to contact Margie (or any librarian) with your questions about:

- Systematic reviews
- Search strategies
- Finding what you really need

- Annoying research problems
- Purchase recommendations

Margie works with a team of talented social science librarians. Feel free to email your question to the entire **Social Sciences Team** if your topic overlaps with other social science disciplines: email socialsciences@l.uky.edu. In addition, feel free to contact a different librarian or subject team if you have a topic other than psychology. All UK librarians are listed by subject at <https://libraries.uky.edu/people-0/librarians-subject>.

Streaming Video

UK Libraries provide access to thousands (maybe millions) of streaming (online) video titles. Search by title or subject in InfoKat Discovery (available at <https://libraries.uky.edu/>) to find out which titles UK Libraries owns. Most streaming video titles related to psychology are purchased from Counseling and Therapy in Video, Appalshop, Films for the Humanities and Social Sciences, Swank, Kanopy, DocuSeek, and PBS.

Self-Guided Courses

UK Libraries offers two self-guided courses that are free and openly available in Canvas. You may focus on specific modules or complete the whole course. Anyone at UK can enroll in the courses using the links below.

The [*Open Academic Research*](#) course is aimed at budding researchers and graduate students and covers:

- Discovering your field's keywords, scholars, and journals
- Finding specialized databases and reference sources in your field
- Selecting journals to consider for submission
- Incorporating digital media and technology tools into your research
- Finding and using primary sources

Each mini module includes learning materials, slides and/or video, activities to try, and a list of further resources.

The [*Open Information Literacy*](#) course is designed to help students improve their library research skills. The course takes about 40 minutes to complete and covers topics such as:

- Developing research questions and search terms
- Evaluating information
- Making effective use of sources

The course includes a multiple-choice quiz at the end of each of its five modules.