



# Locating Research Literature in Environment and Natural Resources

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## Library Locations

### Food, Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Library

045 Agricultural Administration Building  
2120 Fyffe Rd.

Columbus, OH 43210

614-292-6125

Hours: Mon-Wed 8am-8pm

Thu-Fri 8am-5pm

Closed Sat

Sun 4pm-8pm

### OSU OARDC Library

Fisher Auditorium

1680 Madison Ave.

Wooster, Ohio 44691

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Hours: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm

Closed Sat and Sun

Hours for other library locations can be found online:

<http://library.osu.edu/sites/libinfo/hours.php>.

## Finding Books

### Books held by OSU Libraries

Search the OSU Libraries catalog from the OSU Libraries' home page to locate books, theses, journals and other items held by OSU.

<http://library.ohio-state.edu/search/>

### Books held by other OhioLINK institutions

OhioLINK is a consortium of 88 Ohio college and university libraries, and the State Library of Ohio. Search the OhioLINK catalog to locate the 48 million books, and other items held by these institutions and request that they be sent to you at OSU.

<http://olc1.ohiolink.edu/search/>

### Electronic Books

You can locate many e-books using the OSU Library catalog. Thousands more scholarly and reference e-books are available from the OhioLINK Electronic Book Center.

<http://ebooks.ohiolink.edu/ebc-home/>

## Finding Articles

### Research Databases

List of general and specialized databases listed alphabetically by title or by subject:

<http://library.ohio-state.edu/screens/databases.html>

### Electronic Journals

**Online Journal List** (OSU): <http://nf4hr2ve4v.search.serialssolutions.com/>

**Electronic Journal Center** (OhioLINK): <http://journals.ohiolink.edu/ejc/>

**OLinks Journal Article Lookup** (EJC): <http://olinks.ohiolink.edu/article-lookup.php>

**Citation Matcher** (PubMed): <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/corehtml/query/static/citmatch.html>

## Finding Articles: Recommended Databases

Database	Description
<b>Academic Search Complete</b>	Provides full text for more than 3,430 scholarly publications covering academic areas of study including social sciences, humanities, education, computer sciences, engineering, language and linguistics, arts & literature, medical sciences, and ethnic studies. This database is updated daily.
<b>BIOSIS Previews</b>	Contains references to journal articles, reports, literature reviews, conference papers, patents, and book synopses in the life sciences. Coverage includes 5500 journals and 1500 international meetings in agriculture, biology, biotechnology, environment, and the health sciences.
<b>CAB Direct</b>	Over 9,000 journals are scanned for inclusion, as well as books, conferences, reports, and other kinds of literature published internationally with abstracts in English prepared from papers originally published in over 70 different languages. Subjects covered include: animal and crop husbandry, animal and plant breeding, plant protection, genetics, forestry, engineering, economics, veterinary medicine, human nutrition, and rural development. Particularly good for materials from Great Britain, Europe, and Commonwealth Countries.
<b>Dissertation Abstracts</b>	ProQuest Dissertations and Theses contains more than 2.4 million citations, with abstracts (since 1980) to dissertations accepted for doctoral degrees by accredited North American educational institutions and more than 200 institutions elsewhere. Dissertation Abstracts also contains citations, with abstracts (since 1988), to some masters' theses. Coverage includes approximately 3,000 subject areas, as well as masters theses and some dissertations from Canadian and overseas institutions. Includes free full-text for all dissertations submitted since 1997.
<b>Environment Complete</b>	Environment Complete contains all of the content available in Environment Index, as well as full text for 400 journals, including many of the most used journals in the discipline, such as Environment (back to 1975), Ecologist, Conservation Biology, etc. Environment Complete also provides full text for 80 monographs, such as Encyclopedia of World Environmental History (3 volumes), Advances in Water Treatment & Environmental Management, etc. Further, the database offers full text for the conference papers of the North American Association of Environmental Education.
<b>Google Scholar</b>	Google Scholar provides a simple way to broadly search for scholarly literature. From one place, you can search across many disciplines and sources: articles, theses, books, abstracts and court opinions, from academic publishers, professional societies, online repositories, universities and other web sites. Google Scholar helps you find relevant work across the world of scholarly research.
<b>Scopus</b>	Scopus is a multidisciplinary abstract and citation database including peer-reviewed titles from international publishers, journals, conference proceedings, trade publications, and quality web sources. The database contains 41 million records and nearly 18,000 titles from 5,000 publishers worldwide. Includes over 3 million conference papers and provides 100% Medline coverage. Scopus offers sophisticated tools to track, analyze and visualize research.
<b>Web of Knowledge: Journal Citation Reports</b>	Provides easy access to data that helps you evaluate and compare scholarly journals. includes virtually all specialties in the areas of science, technology, and social sciences. Using citation data drawn from over 7,500 scholarly and technical journals from more than 3,300 publishers in over 60 countries, the JCR can show you the: highest impact journals, most frequently used journals, hottest journals, largest journals.
<b>Web of Knowledge: Science Citation Index, Social Sciences Citation Index</b>	A multi-disciplinary database, with searchable author abstracts, covering the journal literature of the sciences and social sciences. It indexes approximately 7,000 major journals across 214 disciplines. A unique feature of this database is cited reference searching.

## Finding Articles: Other Useful Databases

Database	Description
<b>AGRICOLA</b>	Contains citations to agricultural literature acquired by the United States National Agricultural Library and cooperating institutions, and subfiles of related subjects, such as food and nutrition, agricultural economics, parasitology, etc., supplied by information centers. Especially good for retrieving USDA, Extension and Experiment Station publications.

Database	Description
<b>AGRIS</b>	AGRIS is the international information system for the agricultural sciences and technology. It was created by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in 1974, to facilitate information exchange and to identify world literature dealing with all aspects of agriculture. The system collects bibliographic references to either conventional (journal articles, books) or non-conventional materials (sometimes called "grey literature" e.g. theses, reports, etc.) not available through commercial channels. One of the main reasons for AGRIS' existence is to encourage the exchange of information among developing countries, whose literature would not be covered by other international systems.
<b>GeoRef</b>	GeoRef is the electronic version of the American Geological Institute's geoscience database containing over 1.9 million records of North America since 1785, and other areas of the world since 1933.
<b>Gongwer News Service</b>	Gongwer News Service provides daily coverage of issues in and around Ohio's government and political systems.
<b>Lexis/Nexis Congressional</b>	Lexis/Nexis Congressional provides daily updated information, including full text of bills (1989- ), public laws from (1988- ), committee reports (1990- ), House and Senate documents (1995- ), Congressional Record (1985- ), Federal Register (1980- ), National Journal (1977- ) and other government information.

## Statistics Databases

Database	Description
<b>FAO Stat</b>	The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is one of the largest specialized agencies in the United Nations system and the lead agency for agriculture, forestry, fisheries and rural development.
<b>Lexis/Nexis Statistical</b>	LexisNexis Statistical provides fast and easy access to statistics produced by Federal agencies, states, and intergovernmental organizations with its advanced Search Tables functionality. Included are statistical data published by the federal government, U.S. private organizations, state government agencies, business organizations, independent research organizations, and universities and affiliated research centers. Statistics cover business, industry, finance, general economic conditions, government programs and politics, and demographic and social statistics.
<b>PAIS</b>	Covers the literature of public affairs – current issues and actions which affect world communities, countries, people, and governments. This database provides access to articles, books, and documents addressing important political, economic and social issues. More than 1,600 journals and over 7,000 monographs are indexed.
<b>World Development Indicators (WDI)</b>	WDI Online offers the World Bank's comprehensive database on development data, covering more than 600 indicators, 208 economies, and 18 regional and income groups. The extensive collection of development data includes social, economic, financial, natural resources, and environmental indicators for more than forty years, 1960 to 2005, where data are available (2005 data for selected indicators only).

## Interlibrary Loan / Document Delivery Services (ILLiad)

Whether the article you need is across campus or around the globe.	
<b>Article Express</b>	Provides electronic delivery of journal articles, book chapters, and proceedings papers to OSU faculty, staff, and students. The online form can be used to request articles from both OSU and non-OSU collections at no cost to you. Requests from the OSU Collections are usually filled within 3 business days; however, copies obtained from non-OSU collections may take longer. Users can access their articles on our server from any computer with internet access, a browser, and Adobe Acrobat reader. For more information, including limits on requests, go to <a href="https://osu.illiad.oclc.org/illiad/osu/ArticleExpressLogon.html">https://osu.illiad.oclc.org/illiad/osu/ArticleExpressLogon.html</a> .

## Keep Up With Current Literature (Current Awareness Services)

<b>Type of search</b>	Receive alerts when new articles of interest are available. May require a free account or registration. Results may be delivered by email or RSS feed.
<b>Table of Contents</b> <i>Contents of newly added issues from your journal picks</i>	<b>Publishers' websites</b> —visit publisher website and look for alert services <b>MyEJC</b> : <a href="http://journals.ohiolink.edu/ejc/login.cgi">http://journals.ohiolink.edu/ejc/login.cgi</a> (My [OhioLINK] Journals) <b>TicTOCS</b> : <a href="http://www.tictocs.ac.uk/">http://www.tictocs.ac.uk/</a>
<b>Keyword</b> <i>Customized keyword searches run on newly added journal issues</i>	<b>Research databases</b> —saved searches executed manually or when database is updated <b>MyEJC</b> : <a href="http://journals.ohiolink.edu/ejc/login.cgi">http://journals.ohiolink.edu/ejc/login.cgi</a> (My Searches) <b>Online catalog</b> : <a href="https://library.ohio-state.edu/patroninfo/">https://library.ohio-state.edu/patroninfo/</a> Login to your account. Create a preferred search within the catalog. The system notifies you when new resources are added matching your search criteria. <b>Google Scholar</b> : <a href="http://scholar.google.com">http://scholar.google.com</a> Get email alerts when new articles related to your interests are published.
<b>Cited articles</b> <i>You are alerted when new articles citing a prior article are added</i>	<b>Web of Knowledge</b> : <a href="http://apps.webofknowledge.com.proxy.lib.ohio-state.edu/">http://apps.webofknowledge.com.proxy.lib.ohio-state.edu/</a> (My Citation Alerts) <b>Scopus</b> : <a href="http://www.scopus.com.proxy.lib.ohio-state.edu/home.url">http://www.scopus.com.proxy.lib.ohio-state.edu/home.url</a> (My alerts)

## Managing Citations

	Software that helps store, manage, and format bibliographic citations.
<b>Web-based</b>	<b>RefWorks</b> : A web-based bibliography and database manager that allows users to create their own personal database by importing references from text files or online databases. You can use these references in writing your papers and automatically format the paper and the bibliography. Free to OSU community. <a href="https://www.refworks.com/Refworks/login.asp?WNCLang=false">https://www.refworks.com/Refworks/login.asp?WNCLang=false</a> <b>EndNote Web</b> : <a href="http://www.myendnoteweb.com/">http://www.myendnoteweb.com/</a> Free access to web-based EndNote from a university (authorized) IP address. Account must be used or reactivated periodically. <b>Zotero</b> : <a href="http://www.zotero.org/">http://www.zotero.org/</a> Free, easy-to-use Firefox extension and desktop program (beta) to help you collect, manage, and cite your research sources. <b>Mendeley</b> : <a href="http://www.mendeley.com/">http://www.mendeley.com/</a> A desktop and web program for managing and sharing research papers, discovering research data and collaborating online.
<b>Workstation-based</b>	<i>Purchase through software vendors; educational discounts may apply.</i> <b>EndNote</b> : <a href="http://www.endnote.com/">http://www.endnote.com/</a> Discount pricing available to the OSU community from <a href="http://wiredout.osu.edu/">http://wiredout.osu.edu/</a> . <b>ProCite</b> : <a href="http://www.procite.com/">http://www.procite.com/</a> <b>Reference Manager</b> : <a href="http://www.refman.com/">http://www.refman.com/</a>

## Thesis/Dissertation Preparation

<b>Writing Assistance/Guides</b>	<b>Graduate School</b> : <a href="http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/dissertations-and-theses.html">http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/dissertations-and-theses.html</a> <b>Center for the Study and Teaching of Writing</b> : <a href="http://cstw.osu.edu/writingcenter">http://cstw.osu.edu/writingcenter</a>
<b>Electronic Submission</b>	<b>OhioLINK ETD Submission</b> : <a href="http://etd.ohiolink.edu/submit/">http://etd.ohiolink.edu/submit/</a> <b>Graduate School Requirements</b> : <a href="http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/guidelines.html">http://www.gradsch.osu.edu/guidelines.html</a>

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