

Using The Library Catalog

Books are an important component for research papers—here’s how to track down what we own.

Go to the Mansfield Library home page (www.lib.umt.edu). Click on the “Catalog” link on the top left side of the page. This is how you search for books, videos, sound recordings, government documents and theses owned by this library.

Select the “Advanced Search” tab. This gives you more flexibility in your search, since you can combine concepts. Type in one or a few words describing your topic/concept into the first box.

Start off broad, then narrow down your search. Books tend to be broader discussions of research than articles. Begin by looking for “race AND evol?” rather than just typing in your topic or thesis. Remember to truncate with the question mark to catch all permutations of a word (evolution, evolving, etc.)

Keep an eye out for keywords that describe your topic in words other than the ones you’re using. If you don’t have many results on your first search, go broader and think of other terms you can use.

Using Electronic Databases to Find Articles

Go to the Mansfield Library home page (www.lib.umt.edu). Click on the Find Articles Link, and then on the Anthropology topic in the subject grid. You can truncate words in databases with the asterisk (*) to catch variations. Here are some suggested databases—feel free to try others!

Wiley Inter Science is a multi-disciplinary database covering fields of social science, medicine and biology, among others. This is an excellent resource for finding primary articles addressing biological or medical concepts of race.

JSTOR is another multi-disciplinary database. The strength of this resource is the length of time it covers. Historical coverage of anthropology can be found here very easily.

AnthroSource is an index to anthropology literature. It’s more focused than the databases above, as it only covers anthropology as a subject.

Locating Electronic and Print Journals in the Mansfield Library

If you have a citation to an article and need the full text, use the UM-M Journals list to find out how to get the article. Go to the Mansfield Library home page (www.lib.umt.edu) and click on the Journals list. Enter the title into the search box near the top of the page.

For example, to locate the following article:

Mukhopadhyay, C., Moses, Y. 2004. Reestablishing "Race" in Anthropological Discourse. *American Anthropologist* 99(3): 517-533.

Type American Anthropologist into the search box on the Journals page, and click the Search button. Your results will look like this:

American Anthropologist (0002-7294) [Title details from ulrichsweb.com™](#)
in [The University of Montana's Print Holdings](#)
from 01/01/1888 to 12/31/1998 in [JSTOR](#)
from 03/01/1997 to present in [AnthroSource](#)
from 03/01/1998 to 12/01/2002 in [Wilson OmniFile: Full Text Mega Edition](#)

Click on the link to the database to pull up the electronic full-text version of the article, or click on the link to the “UM Print Holdings” to find out where the print version is in the library.

Citing your references

For your bibliography you’ll need to use the format of the American Journal of Physical Anthropology or a similar journal. For AJPA’s citation style, see:

<http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/cgi-bin/jabout/28130/ForAuthors.html>

The information is about halfway down the page, where it says “Literature Cited.” Another useful guide is available at:

<http://library.osu.edu/sites/guides/cbegd.php>

Getting Materials We Don’t Own

To get items that you can’t find in the library catalog or on the Journals list, use the “Get Materials We Don’t Own (ILL)” link on the Mansfield Library website.

Ask A Librarian

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