Barnard Library: Finding the Best Resources

ENGL BC1201: First Year English

Reinventing Literary History: The Legacy of the Mediterranean II

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STARTING YOUR RESEARCH

- First Year English Research Guide:
 - O On the library home page, <u>library.barnard.edu</u>, click on "<u>Guides and Tutorials</u>" and then "First Year English Guides".
 - O In CourseWorks, click on click on "Research Guides."
- Make an appointment with your <u>Personal Librarian</u> for a one-on-one consultation if you would like help with your research.

FINDING BOOKS

- Use the <u>Quicksearch</u> on the library home pages (either <u>Barnard Library</u> or <u>Columbia University</u> <u>Libraries</u> home page). Then select "View and filter all XX results".
- You also can search the <u>Catalog</u> directly by using the dropdown list to select it.
- The <u>Catalog</u> shows the titles of books, videos, sheet music, sound recordings, and journals in the Columbia libraries, but **NOT** the articles in journals.

All Fields (Keyword) searching: find words in any field in the record (title, subject, contents, author, publisher, etc.):

- Use quotes for a phrase: "To the Lighthouse"
- Use * for truncation (for variant endings): feminis* finds feminism, feminist, feminists

Complex Keyword searching using AND and OR:

- AND finds records which have all the search terms you entered
- OR finds records which have one or more of the search terms OR finds MORE
- Group search terms together with parentheses:
 - e.g. "Heart of Darkness" AND (colonial* OR postcolonial* OR imperial*)

Library of Congress (LC) Call Numbers:

- In the LC classification system, the first number is a whole number,
 e.g. H5 is before H4501,
 - but the number after the point is like a decimal, e.g. H8.A4811 comes before H8.A5.
- The call number of a book is determined by the first subject heading listed in the record.

Locations

- Make sure to check a book's location in CLIO before going to get it! The same call numbers can be in different libraries.
- Print reference books are located in several places in Butler Library. Most Butler reference books are in rooms 301 or 310.
- 18,000 Barnard books are temporarily located in Milstein, in Butler Library, in rooms 406, 406A and 409. (The rest are in storage for the next three years.)
- Milstein (Butler) books on literature (call number P) are in Butler 403.
- Butler Stacks books on literature (call number P) are on Butler Stacks level 5.

Milstein Call Number Guide

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Butler Reference Atlases (Non-Circulating)	209
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FINDING JOURNAL ARTICLES

- Try the recommended databases in the First Year English Research Guide.
- If a database does not have the full-text, use the e-links to try and find it through other Columbia University Library holdings.
- Look up journals by title by searching the <u>Catalog</u> in CLIO.
- Look up articles by title by searching **Articles** in CLIO.
- See all 1,500+ databases available to you by looking at <u>Databases</u> in CLIO.

READING CITATIONS AND DOCUMENTING YOUR SOURCES

Here are three common types of citation in MLA style:

- A book: Woolf, Virginia. To the Lighthouse. Ed. Sandra Kemp. London: Routledge, 1994.
 - O Notice that the place of publication and publisher are given. Ed. is short for "Edited by."
- A chapter in a book: Tropp, Martin. "Re-creating the Monster: Frankenstein and Film."

 Nineteenth-Century Women at the Movies: Adapting Classic Women's Fiction to Film. Ed. Barbara
 Tepa Lupack. Bowling Green, Oh.: Bowling Green State University, 1999. 23-77.
 - O Notice **chapter title** in "quotes", **book title** in *italics*, the **place of publication**, the **publisher**, and **page numbers** for the chapter.
- An article in a journal: Lee, Byung-Eun, and David Shelley Berkeley. "The Evil Number Five: Numerological Symbolism in Paradise Lost." *English Language Notes* 27.4 (1990): 33-8.
 - O Notice the **article title** in "quotes", **journal title** in *italics*, **volume number** and **issue number**, and **page numbers** for the article no place of publication or publisher are given.

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Call Number Guide

Main Stack entrance is on 3rd floor next to Circulation

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Can't Find that Book? Fill out a Search Request in CLIO or at Circulation

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Library Skills Exercises

1. BOOKS: Try these All Fields (keyword) searches and notice how the results change.

Keyword search	Number of results
Frankenstein	
Frankenstein Mary Shelley	
Frankenstein "Mary Shelley"	
Frankenstein Mary Shelley women roles	
Frankenstein Mary Shelley women spheres	
Frankenstein AND Shelley AND (wom*n OR gender OR femini*) AND (roles	OR spheres)
19th century england AND (wom*n OR gender OR femini*) AND (roles OR s	pheres)
	
2. ARTICLES: Select one of the recommended databases in the First Year E	inglish research guide.
Write down the database you used:	
 Try the same types of searches we used in CLIO, or come up with yo 	ur own.
O If you got no hits, are you in EBSCO? Make sure "Find all my s	search terms" is selected, OR
add AND between all concepts in the search box if using Boo	lean/Phrase search mode.
Can you limit your results to "peer-reviewed" content?	
Too many results? How might you get more relevant results?	
O Use quotations marks for phrases	
O Add more concepts with AND	
O Look at filters/facets/limits on left side of database (limit by	date, language, subject)
Not enough results? How might you expand your search results?	
O Search on theory and author alone	
O Add more synonyms/related terms with OR	
Try another database!	