GSWS 312: Immigrant Women and Transnational Migration

Library Workshop

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Objectives

- Develop a search strategy for your topic
- Use a database to find scholarly articles
- Use the Catalogue Search to find books
- > Find podcasts

Who might publish

- **≻**Scholars
- **≻**Government
- ➤ Associations
- ➤ News Media
- ➤ Non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
- **≻**Other

Brainstorming

- > Ask questions about your topic
- Identify key terms that describe your research concepts
- Identify synonyms & related words for each key concept
- Combine different sets of keywords

Employment of visible minorities in Canada

Concept 1: employment OR jobs OR work

Concept 2: visible minorities OR women of color OR immigrants OR race OR ethnicity OR [name of a visible minority group]

Concept 3: Canada OR British Columbia OR BC

Boolean logic (OR, AND)

In this search, the results list will contain citations that have at least one word from each of the three concepts

Concept 1: (employment OR jobs OR work)

AND

Concept 2: (visible minorities OR women of color

OR immigrants **OR** race **OR** ethnicity

OR [name of a visible minority group])

AND

Concept 3: (Canada OR British Columbia OR BC)

Truncation & Phrase searching

Use asterisk (*) to search for variations of a word

- employ* will find: employee(s), employment, employer(s)
- Use quotation marks "___" to search for phrases
 - "visible minorit*", "women of color"

Using truncation and quotation marks

Concept 1: employ* OR job* OR work*

Concept 2: "visible minorit*" OR "women of color"

OR immigrant* OR race OR ethnic*

OR [name of a visible minority group]

Concept 3: Canad* OR "British Columbia" OR BC

Other concepts:

(wage* OR pay OR benefit*)

(discriminat* OR racis*)

(underemploy* OR "devaluation of credential*")

Exercise (4 mins)

- > Write down your research topic
- Write down some questions about your topic
- Underline keywords that describe your key concepts
- Write down synonyms (or related words) for each key concept

Databases for scholarly articles

- Women's Studies International Key database for issues related to women or gender.
- <u>Academic Search Premier</u> -- Covers many GSWS journals. "Limit" search results to "academic" or "scholarly" sources
- <u>CBCA Complete</u> covers scholarly journals, magazines, and newspapers. Limit results to "scholalry" or "academic"
- ProQuest Sociology Collection International literature in sociology. Searches
 multiple databases including: Applied Social Science Index, ProQuest Sociology
 Database, Social Services Abstracts, and Sociological Abstracts.

Catalogue Search - find books, articles, reports, films and more

https://sfu-primo.hosted.exlibrisgroup.com/primo-explore/search?vid=SFUL&lang=en_US

- ➤ When using the one-line search box, the "Basic search", the Boolean operators (OR, AND) must be in capital letters
- ➤ When using the "Advanced" search (link is on the right hand-side of the default, one-line search box), enter the terms for each concept on a separate line, joined by a capital "OR"

Find "Grey" Literature

- Government agencies
- Advocacy groups
- Non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
- Industry, trade or professional organizations
- Using Google custom searches for grey literature
 - NGO search engine
 China (grasslands OR rangelands OR pasture)
 - IGO search engine
 China (grasslands OR rangelands OR pasture)

Evaluate Information

- > Is the author a recognized expert in the area?
- ➤ Does the information **seem credible** based on other sources that you've read?
- > Who is the **intended audience** for this resource?
- > How recently was this resource published or last updated?
- > Are the **author's sources clearly cited** (are there references or a bibliography)?

Cite Sources

- Citation & Style Guides (APA, MLA, Chicago, etc.)
- Citation Management Software
 - Zotero

http://www.lib.sfu.ca/find/research-tools/citation-software

- For help, email citation-managers@sfu.ca
- Understanding and avoiding plagiarism

http://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/academic-integrity/plagiarism-tutorial

"Mine" the bibliography

Check the bibliography of relevant sources to find additional citations.

To see if the library owns a particular journal or a book:

- Search for journal name using the A-Z journal list
- Search for the title of the book using the "Browse by title" link in Catalogue Search

SFU Inter-Library Loans Service (ILL)

- If full-text of an article is **not** within a database,
 - Click on the "Get@SFU" icon to find the full-text or to initiate an Inter-Library Loans request (free to you)

Alternatively, use the form, below, to request something through ILL service.

- <u>Citation Finder/ILL Tab</u> (just above search box in <u>Catalogue Search</u>)
 - To initiate an ILL request, "Sign-in" using your SFU Computing ID and SFU Password

Questions?

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