

SA 150 – Introduction to Sociology - Library Workshop

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Objectives

- Differentiate between scholarly & popular sources
- Create “concept maps” for a topic
- Develop search strategies using keywords
- Use databases for Sociology
- Use Catalogue Search



Library guide SA 150

<https://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/research-assistance/subject/sociology/sa150>



Discuss with person next to you (2 mins)

Who may have published on this topic?

Child poverty in Canada



Who might publish

- Scholars
- Government
- Associations
- News Media
- Non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
- Self-publishing
- Others

Scholarly / Peer-reviewed / Academic

- Written by scholars for scholars
- Reviewed by peers of the discipline before publication
- Usually have bibliographies



Identify the Scholarly Conversations

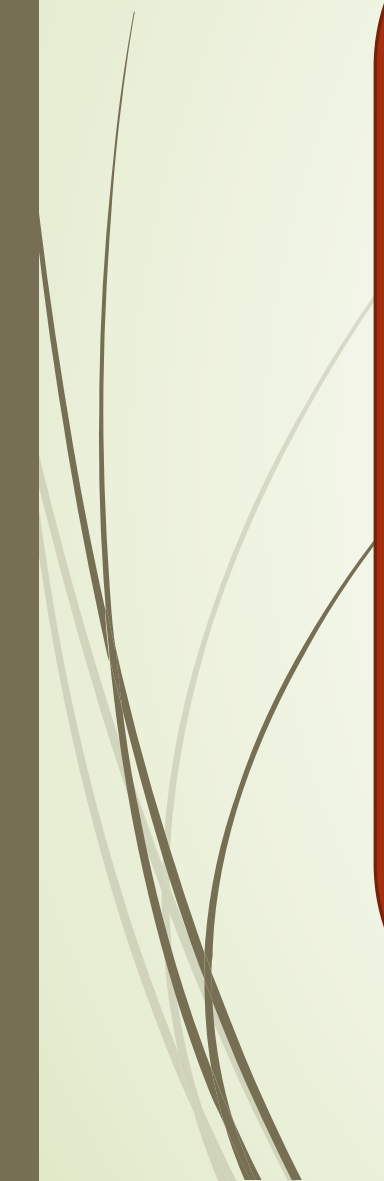
- Critiques
 - Debates
 - Frameworks
 - Methodologies
 - Theories
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A Few Entry Points to Scholarly Debates

- Overview Sources (encyclopedia for discipline)
- Scholarly Books
- Journal Articles (scholarly)
- Literature Reviews
- Bibliographies
- New Dissertations
- Conferences




Popular

- Written by journalists and others
 - Audience is the general public
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Grey Literature

- Government
 - Non-governmental / Advocacy organisations (NGOs)
 - Think tanks / Research Institutes
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Research Topic

Employment for visible minorities in Canada

Identify key concepts

employment, visible minorities, Canada

Brainstorm synonyms, alternate or related terms for each concept

Combine different concepts



Brainstorm

Employment for 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 [a group’s name]

Concept 3: Canada OR British Columbia OR BC

Truncation symbol - Asterisk (*)

Searches for different endings of a “root” word

Employ* will find:

**Employment, Employing, Employer(s),
Employed, Employee(s), Employable**



Phrase searching – Quotation marks (“ ”)

“Women of color”

“First Nations”

“Visible minorities”



**Brainstorm and write down synonyms,
alternate or related terms (3 mins)**

Impact of globalization on employment in Canadian
clothing manufacturing?

Concept 1:

Concept 2:

Concept 3:

Concept 4:

Concept 5:

Impact of globalization on employment in Canadian clothing manufacturing?

Concept 1: **global***

Concept 2: **employ* OR unemploy* OR jobs OR work***

Concept 3: **clothing OR fashion OR apparel**

Concept 4: **manufactur* OR factory OR factories OR outsourc***

Concept 5: **Canad* OR Montreal OR Toronto OR Ontario**

Time Saving Search Strategies

- Search the **databases** of a discipline for scholarly articles
- Use **Catalogue Search** for scholarly books
- Use **bibliographies** of relevant sources to identify more sources

Selected Databases

- Sociological Abstracts

- Sociological journals, conferences, book reviews

- Social Sciences Full Text

- Social sciences journals, some may be sociological

Catalogue Search (not the general search engine)

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Catalogue Search to use **Advanced Search**" options
- best for searching for a known book, journal, film,

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“Catalogue Search”

- “**Sign-in**” to see your library record, recall books, request material through “Inter-library-Loan (ILL)”
- Use capital letters **(OR, AND)** to combine concepts
- Use Citation Finder / ILL tab to request material not at SFU Library (Inter-Library Loans Service)
- Use “Browse” by “Title” to find books by title

Catalogue Search conti...

- **“Pin”** to track books or articles of interest (need to “sign-in)
- **“Cite”** (to find citation using APA, MLA, Chicago styles)
- **Limit search results** by **“Subject”**, “Language”, “Availability in the Library”, **“Resource Type** (articles, books, media, dissertations, etc.)
- Use a relevant book, **click on its linked “Subjects”** to find other books on the same topic

Catalogue Search

Topic: Child poverty in Canada

(child* OR youth OR adolescen*)

AND

(poverty OR poor OR "low income")

AND

(race OR "visible minorit*" OR immigrant*)

AND

(Canad* OR British Columbia OR BC)

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

- **Understanding and avoiding plagiarism**
<http://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/academic-integrity/plagiarism-tutorial>
- **Citation Management Software and Tools**
 - Zotero or Mendeley
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