

School of Public and International Affairs

Research journal

International Policy very interdisciplinary. Depending on your topic you will look at a research from fields as diverse as Economics and Ecology. Your librarian is here to help you with learning the research landscape. Think of me not as a last resort for when you are lost but as a local guide to consult early in your journey. (Of course I will also help you if you reach a research impasse.)

I get asked a lot about if there is a list of journals in International Affairs and International Policy. The UGA libraries subscribes to so many journals in your field that a list isn't very useful. Later in this journal there is a place for you to record your own important journal titles as you find them. You can look up journals by title (once you know the journal that you want to read) on the UGA Library homepage under e-journals.

This is not a sequential notebook. There isn't a step 1, step 2, step 3 in research. You will come back to the first pages and skip to the later pages. You will learn as you research and then use that knowledge to research more.

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## Terms and Concepts

- Concepts and terms you know are important in your field
- Terms and concepts that are the starting point for your research
- Terms and concepts that you discover as you search and read

Databases for articles, reports, and books

<https://guides.libs.uga.edu/international-affairs-guide>

- UGA Multi-search
- Google Scholar
- Political Science Complete
- International Security and Counter Terrorism Reference Center
- Homeland Security Digital Library
- ProQuest Congressional
- WorldCat
- ProQuest Dissertations and Theses Full Text
- Columbia International Affairs Online
- ProQuest Political Science
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## Other subject fields to explore

- Political Science
- Public Administration
- Demographics data (Census, American Community Survey, etc.)
- Criminal Justice
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## Searching notebook

Database: Political Science Complete

Date: 1/28/2019

Terms and notes:

“law enforcement” AND “bias training” – ok results  
 (“law enforcement” OR police) AND “bias training” - good  
 (“law enforcement” OR police) AND (“bias (education OR training)”) - great  
 Sheriff and racism – no

additional terms/concepts to try later  
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## Journals

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## Other sources of information

Information can come from a lot of places. While your research needs to contain substantial references to other academic research, it is likely to include “non-academic” sources as well.

These might include:

- Government or NGO reports (local, state, national, international)
- Plans and site studies
- News articles
- Maps
- GIS data or mapping
- Reports from industry/trade associations
- Unpublished government documents (eg. council meeting minutes)
- Archival material

Parking lot - things to explore later

Pre-writing

## Doodles