Library Workshop for CSED 620 Early Language Development Disorders

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Objectives

1. Conduct a literature search
2. Scholarly Journals
3. Access the A-to-Z Journal List
Where and How Can I Find Scholarly Journal Articles I Need?

Plan a Literature Search

• Clearly define your search topic
• Identify the concepts of your search topic
• Choose appropriate search terms
• Determine the appropriate databases for your search

Plan a Literature Search

• Conduct a keyword search or advanced search
• Review search results
• Repeat as needed
Plan a Literature Search

Research Topic:
Find articles about speech therapy for children with Down syndrome

• Determine the concept(s)

Concept A
speech therapy
Concept B
Down syndrome

Boolean Operators

Boolean Operator: AND

speech therapy AND Down syndrome
Narrow down the search
**Boolean Operators**

- **Boolean Operator:** OR

  ![OR Diagram]

  *speech therapy OR speech intervention*

  Broaden the search

- **Boolean Operator:** NOT

  ![NOT Diagram]

  *children NOT adults*

  Narrow down the search

**Other Search Methods**

- **Truncation**
  - Truncation symbols are used when searching for suffix variations. For example, therap* retrieves therapy, therapies, therapist, and therapists.

- **Quotation marks**
  - Search an exact phrase, e.g. “prevention program”

- **Search string**
  - (speech therapy OR speech intervention) AND Down syndrome
PubMed

- **Scope**
  - Medicine, allied health, pharmacy, and more
- **Source**
  - Over 5246 biomedical journals and more than 19 million citations back to 1948
  - Over 70 countries and 40 languages
- **Type of Articles**
  - Clinical trials, reviews, guidelines, etc.

PubMed Search Screen
**CINAHL with Full Text**

- CINAHL (Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature) is the authoritative resource for nursing and allied health.
- It contains journals, book reviews, dissertations, proceedings, etc.
- It covers more than 2,737 journals and provides full text for more than 600 journals dating back to 1981. Eight users have been purchased.
- It includes 47 speech language pathology journal titles.

**PsycINFO**

- PsycINFO is a database developed by the American Psychological Association.
- It contains about 2.5 million citations and summaries of scholarly journal articles, book chapters, books, and dissertations in psychology and related disciplines from 1887 to present.

**ERIC**

- ERIC, the Education Resource Information Center, includes more than 1,300,000 records and links to more than 317,000 full-text documents dating back to 1966.
- It covers education, psychology, health, methods and techniques for teaching, etc.
Click on the Idaho Health Sciences Library link.

Type search terms in the Search box and start your search.
Scholarly and Non-Scholarly Journals

• Scholarly
  - Length: Long and in-depth analysis of topics
  - Language/Audience: Written for researchers, professors, or students in the academic field
  - Format/Structure: Follows some specific structure: abstract, introduction, methodology, results, discussion, conclusion, references, etc.
  - Authors: Expert in a particular field; a scholar or researcher with noted credentials
  - Editors: Articles are reviewed by members of an editorial board who are experts in the field
  - References: Sources are cited with bibliographies documenting the research thoroughly
  - Advertising: Limited ads, special services or products in a specific field

• Non-scholarly
  - Length: Fairly short
  - Language/Audience: Written in non-technical language for non-expert readers
  - Format/Structure: Does not follow a specific format
  - Authors: Reporter or any writer. Name and credentials are not indicated
  - Editors: Not reviewed by experts, but by magazine staff members
  - References: Not provided
  - Advertising: Many general consumer ads

Source: http://www.isu.edu/library/help/journalmaga.htm
This is the A-to-Z Journal list webpage. If you do not know the journal title, you may want to search any journal title that contains "speech language" in the title. Enter "speech language" in the Find box, and then click on the Search button.

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