Getting Started with Library Research at Jerome Library

University Libraries has so much to offer in the way of resources and tools, both print & electronic! Don’t know where to begin? Try these starting points:

**Need Books?**

*Search the BGSU Library Catalog by selecting the CATALOG tab on the library home page.*

A search for **Paris architecture** will return a list of titles for you to peruse. Here is a typical entry:

![Book Image](image)

**Now What?** Look in the box for the info needed to find the book. You can see that this book is on the first floor (Location), and the **Call Number** is **NA105O.S87 1993** and the book **Status** is Available. If there’s a date in the Status column, then the book is checked out by someone else. And if the Status indicates Online, then it’s an electronic book that you can access via your computer or device.

**Where do I go find an Available book?** (1) You will need the call number, (2) click on the blue Map It button, it will display a map directing you to the range number where the book should be! (3) Still unsure? Ask at the Circulation/Check-Out desk!

**Not finding the book you want in the BGSU Catalog?** Other options include requesting from the OhioLINK catalog [http://oic1.ohiolink.edu/search](http://oic1.ohiolink.edu/search) or another library via ILLiad [https://bgsu.illiad.oclc.org/illiad/login.html](https://bgsu.illiad.oclc.org/illiad/login.html)

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**Do you have a more specific need?** Maybe there’s a LibGuide for that!

BGSU librarians have created many research guides to assist our users! We have guides ranging from using RefWorks to finding online historical newspapers to locating Book Reviews, and much, much more! While we certainly don’t have a LibGuide for every need, it’s worth taking a look. There’s a link to our LibGuides on the Library Home page or go directly to [http://libguides.bgsu.edu/](http://libguides.bgsu.edu/). You can browse through the guides by subject, type or owner, or enter keywords in the search box.
Need Articles for a Research Paper?

Try searching the EBSCO Databases by selecting the EBSCO tab on the library home page.

A search for mental illness and television returns a list of articles with these two at the top:

**Important Tips:**
- Check out the ways to Refine Results on the left. You can limit just to Academic Journals (no newspapers!) or publication dates after 2005 or other many other options.
- Click on the title to read an abstract (summary) of the article
- Click on PDF Full Text (or sometimes HTML Full Text) to retrieve the actual article. If there’s not Full Text option, click on Find It to see if there’s full text somewhere else!
- Search didn’t quite work? Try some new search terms! For more help with this, go to http://libguides.bgsu.edu/gsw1100-1110?p=1505780

Still not finding what you need? Come back when the Research & Info Desk is open!

**Our Summer Hours:** Mon. – Thurs: 9 AM – 8 PM; Fri: 9 AM – 5 PM; Sat & Sun: CLOSED

During these hours, visit us in person, call us at 419-372-6943, chat with us online, or schedule a one-on-one appointment here: https://ira.youcanbook.me/

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