Library Guide to Searching for Journal Articles for Papers and Presentations for Dr. Gadsden’s Sociology Courses

This library guide will focus on how to use library databases to find journal articles from academic social science peer-reviewed journals for Dr. Gadsden’s class assignments. If you need assistance with locating other types of resource, please contact the library information desk at 505-454-3401 or libinfo@nmhu.edu. For additional guidance on finding acceptable sources for Dr. Gadsden’s course projects please see the “Evaluating a Journal Article for Gadsden Courses” guide.

Accessing Library Databases for Sociology

1. Go to the main library webpage: www.nmhu.edu/library
2. Click on Databases by Subject on the menu on the left hand side of the library webpage.

3. On the Databases by Subject webpage, click on Sociology.

4. From the list of databases, click on SocINDEX with Full Text (EBSCO)

5. If you are off campus you will be prompted to login using your NMHU username and password.
   a. Your username is everything before the @ symbol of your student email (ex. jdoe93 would be the user name for a student with the email jdoe93@live.nmhu.edu)
   b. Your password must have been changed from the temporary password.
   c. If you are accessing the database from a work computer, please note some institutions have strict firewalls (schools, government agencies, hospitals). You may have to contact your IT department to get into our resources.
Searching for Articles in SocINDEX

1. Enter your search terms in the text boxes at the top of the screen.

2. Set your search limits in the Limit your results section. To set search limits for Dr. Gadsden’s source requirements:
   - Click box for Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journal in order to limit results to articles from academic peer-reviewed journals.
   - Enter years in the Date of Publication section to limit results to references no older than 7 years.
   - Select “Article” in the Document Type section to limit results to articles. This will eliminate results such as book reviews that appear in academic peer-reviewed journals, but are not peer-reviewed articles.

3. Click on the green button in the upper right.

4. Review your search results. You can add or revise your search terms and change your search limits at any time.
5. Click on the article title to see the detailed article record to learn more about the source.

Detailed Article Record

Tension in the Field of Art: The Practical Tattoo Artist and Perceptions of the Fine Art Community.

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Document Type: Article

Subject Terms: *Arts & society  
*Stere (Psychology)  
*Tattooing -- Social aspects  
*Tattoo artists  
*Gender identity in art

Abstract: This is an ethnographic study utilizing observation and in-depth interviews. The following research analyzes a collaborative circle of tattoo artists and its tension with the fine art community. The tension is a result of perceptions of the fine art community and the nature of tattoo shops as enterprises. This article contributes to the understanding of collaborative circles by incorporating taste distinctions and a formal group element, the enterprise. Taste distinctions and the enterprise allow artists to erect boundaries between themselves and others in the art community.

Article Abstract: Brief summary of article’s contents. This can help you determine if the article will help with your research project or not.
6. To access the article’s full text, click on the PDF icon on the left hand side of the screen.

For articles that are not available full text from the database, click on Journal Article Linker.

Journal Article Linker will connect you with the full text of the article if it is available from Highlands University Libraries. If full text is not available from Highlands University Libraries, you can use the Journal Article Linker to request the article via Interlibrary Loan.

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