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**Instruction Sessions
Available for Your Class**

- How to use the Library Catalog. How to find books, journals and other resources that the library owns.
- Library Use policies, physical layout of the library
- General interest databases. Like ProQuest, EbscoHost, JStor etc. Searching basics.
- Subject specific databases: Math Review, ChemVillage, Science Direct, Avery Index, etc.
- Citation styles APA, MLA, and other citation styles
- Newspaper, magazines vs. journals. Differences between primary and secondary sources.
- Evaluating resources: Online resources and traditional resources evaluation.
- Locating full-text when you only have a citation: E-Journals searching and locating a particular item through a citation
- Building a search strategy: Broadening or narrowing a search through building search blocks; identifying keywords. Boolean logic.
- Copyright and Plagiarism: Ethical use of information

Make Time for Research @ The Library

Drop in and stop by the John B. Coleman Library, Room 108 every Thursday at 11 am. There will be a live librarian to help on common topics you may encounter in doing your research here at the university, including (but certainly not limited to) how to find a book in the online catalog, how to find an article in the database and website evaluation.



No appointment is needed; classes are welcome as are interested individuals.

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Finding Articles

Full length journal, magazine and newspaper articles can be found in many of our web-based collections, including:

Religion and Philosophy Collection
Philosopher's Index

If a book or article cannot be found in PVAMU's resources, it can usually be borrowed from another library. Go to the Interlibrary Loan page:

<http://www.pvamu.edu/pages/3663.asp>

It may take several weeks to receive the item.

Finding Books

Search the PVAMU Libraries Online Catalog for "philosophy" . Most of the books on philosophy that can be checked out are on the second floor in the B section.

Related terms:

Aesthetics, Causation, Good and evil, Logic, Law—Philosophy

You can also search for individual philosophers; Socrates, Kant, Mill, etc.

You'll find useful background information in these books, which are located on the first floor of the library in the Reference department:

Reference Material:


- **The Oxford dictionary of philosophy** B41 .B53 1996eb
- **New dictionary of the history of ideas** CB9 .N49 2005
- **The Cambridge dictionary of Philosophy** B41 .C35 1999



- **Oxford companion to Classical Civilization** DE5 .O94 1998
- **Fifty key contemporary thinkers** B804 .L37 2008
- **Encyclopedia of bioethics** QH332 .E52 1995
- **The Oxford companion to philosophy** B51 .O94 1995
- **Dictionary of Asian philosophies** B5005 .N38
- **The Encyclopedia of philosophy** B41 .E5
- **Encyclopedia of Indian philosophies** B132 .A3 E52
- **The Edinburgh encyclopedia of Continental philosophy** B804 .E43 1999eb
- **The Blackwell encyclopedic dictionary of business ethics** HF5387 .B55 1998
- **Encyclopedia of ethics** BJ63 .E45 2001
- **Logic from A to Z** QA9 .D47 1999
- **World philosophers and their works** B104 .W67 2000

Useful Websites

- Contemporary Philosophy, Critical Theory and Postmodern Thought - http://carbon.cudenver.edu/~mryder/itc_data/postmodern.html
- The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy - <http://www.utm.edu/research/iep/>
- The World-Wide-Web Virtual Library of Philosophy - <http://www.bris.ac.uk/philosophy/>
- Philosophy Pages - <http://www.philosophypages.com/>
- Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy - <http://plato.stanford.edu/>
- Su Tzu's Chinese Philosophy Page - <http://uweb.superlink.net/~fsu/phil.htm>
- History of Philosophy - <http://www.friesian.com/history.htm>



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