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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
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:

- 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

- The Internet Encyclopedia of Philosophy - http://www.utm.edu/research/iep/
- Philosophy Pages - http://www.philosophypages.com/
- Su Tzu's Chinese Philosophy Page - http://uweb.superlink.net/~fsu/philo.htm

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