

# New Student Library Notes

## Find/Acquire **known BOOKS**:

1. Search EMU Library Catalog: <http://portal.emich.edu/vwebv/searchAdvanced>
2. Search *MeLCat*: <http://mel.org/melcat>
3. If not found, request via EMU's Interlibrary Loan service (*Illiad*):  
<http://www.emich.edu/library/services/ill/>

## Find/Acquire **known ARTICLES**

1. Start with the EMU *Esearch* database and search for the ARTICLE TITLE
2. Search both *Google*, as well as *Google Scholar*, for the ARTICLE TITLE
3. Use the *Journals by Title* tab on the library home page to search for the JOURNAL NAME containing the article. If found, navigate to the journal publication year, issue, and page where the article is located.
4. If not found, request a copy of the article via EMU's Interlibrary Loan service (*Illiad*):  
<http://www.emich.edu/library/services/ill/>

## Find/Acquire **BOOKS on a SUBJECT**

1. Search EMU Library Catalog:  
<http://portal.emich.edu/vwebv/searchAdvanced>
2. Search *WorldCat* (via FirstSearch):  
<http://ezproxy.emich.edu/login?url=http://firstsearch.oclc.org/done=referer;dbname=WorldCat;FIP>

## Find/Acquire **ARTICLES on a SUBJECT**

1. Identify discovery/search tools
  - a. 'Where to Start' library search page:  
<http://www.emich.edu/library/databases/>
  - b. EMU Library Research Guides:  
<http://guides.emich.edu/>
  - c. Consult a librarian subject specialist:  
<http://www.emich.edu/library/about/directory/specialist.php>
2. Locate items found using EMU FindText+ button or link
  - a. Item is available immediately online, electronic full-text
  - b. Item is available in a physical format (print/microfilm) in the library building
  - c. Item is not immediately available in either digital or physical format
    - i. Request a copy of the item (no charge) via EMU Interlibrary Loan:  
<http://www.emich.edu/library/services/ill/>

## Find/Acquire **DISSERTATIONS and THESES**

1. EMU
  - a. Search EMU Library catalog:  
<http://portal.emich.edu/vwebv/searchAdvanced>
2. Non-EMU
  - a. Search *Dissertations and Theses Full Text*:  
<http://ezproxy.emich.edu/login?url=http://search.proquest.com/pqdft/advanced?accountid=10650>
  - b. *Open Access Theses and Dissertations (OATD)*: <http://oatd.org/>