

## Where do I begin to find articles?

The Library at Bergen Community College has many tools to help you find articles. You have access to thousands of high quality newspapers, magazines and journals through the Library's website. (<http://www.bergen.edu/library>)

The Library's articles are collected in databases. Some databases have information on all different topics and some specialize in only a few topics.

There are links to these databases right on the Library's homepage. Look for the **Find Articles** part of the page.

- The **Full List of Databases** link takes you to the complete list of databases.

The **Full List of Databases** lists all of the Library's databases in alphabetical order. Click on the name to open the database.

A database like **Middle Search Plus** will give you access to non-technical articles that discuss scientific topics. It is a good place to start your research.

There are also some specialized databases to consider using, when researching science topics. We'd like to suggest:

- **Science Reference Center**
- **Science Online**
- **Today's Science**
- **Access Science**
- **Science Direct\*\***

Type your search terms into the database search box and it can deliver articles, diagrams and even videos that will help you with your research. Use search terms like:

**"carbon dioxide AND water vapor AND global warming"**

For more suggestions on using these databases, see page 2 of this handout.

\*\*very technical

### Need Help? Ask!

- STOP BY THE REFERENCE DESK ON THE MAIN FLOOR OF THE LIBRARY
- CALL THE REFERENCE DESK AT 201-447-7436
- EMAIL US AT [ASKALIB@BERGEN.EDU](mailto:ASKALIB@BERGEN.EDU)
- CHAT WITH US
- MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR ONE-ON-ONE HELP

### Contact Me:

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**Find Articles/Electronic Resources**

- Proxy Bypass To Databases
- Remote Access/Restrictions

OR select from our **Full List of Databases** (by title and subject)

Start with a Frequently Used Database

- Academic OneFile
- Academic Search Premier
- General OneFile
- LexisNexis Academic
- ProQuest Research Library
- Journal Titles List
- Newspapers
- Encyclopedias

This screen shot shows the Library's links to the article databases.

## Can I really access the Library's articles from home?

Access to the Library's databases is not limited to the computers in the Library! Wherever you have access to the Internet, you can link to our databases and complete your assignments. When you are off-campus, the computer will ask you to fill in your last name and your student ID number. After you fill in that information, the database access is the same as on campus. The databases are available around the clock—24/7.

# Finding Articles on Physics Topics

## Finding Articles in *Middle Search Plus*

To begin, click on the **Full List of Databases** link on the Library's Homepage. Next, click on the database name **Middle Search Plus**. Once you click the link to open **Middle Search Plus**, you can enter your search terms and start the search.

The database will then search through magazines and newspapers to find articles that use all of the keywords that you typed into the search box. It helps to click on the *Search Option* to **"Also search within the full text of the articles"** before you click on the search button.



Look at the articles on the results list. At first, all of the results are displayed, with the newest articles listed first.

- *What if you only want to look at magazine articles?* Click on the link at the left to **"Narrow Results by"** and select **"Periodicals"**. You now have fewer articles to look at.
- *What if you want to see only the articles from the last 5 years?* On the right side of the page, you can set the range of dates that will be searched (**"Filter by Publication Date"**).

YOU CAN EASILY  
NARROW OR  
LIMIT YOUR  
SEARCH RESULTS.

Click on the article title to read more information. Most results will give you the *full-text* (entire article) to read. Some of the results will only provide a *citation* or *abstract*. If you can't find the full-text for an interesting article, ask a librarian to help you.

