

Finding Scholarly Journal Articles on Non-verbal Communication

A Research Guide from Medicine Hat College Library Services

Basics about library online databases

- Databases index articles from published items such as journals, books, newspapers and magazines;
- Databases are searchable online;
- Databases provide citation information about the articles, which includes author, title of article, title of publication, publisher, date of publication, subjects, and abstract;
- More and more online databases provide access to full-text articles.

How to access online databases on or off campus

- Go to the library's homepage at: <http://www.mhc.ab.ca/library>
- Select "Journal, Magazine and Newspaper Articles"
- Select database subject area
- Select database and click on "Connect to Database"
- If you are on campus, it will take you directly to the database search interface.
- If you are off campus, it will take you to a login page where you need to enter your 9 digit student ID number and then you can get onto the database search interface.

Suggested subject areas

- Business/Management/Marketing
- General/Multidisciplinary

Suggested databases

- Communication and Mass Media Complete
- Academic Search Complete

Suggested keywords and subject terms

Non-verbal communication		Difference
nonverbal (or non-verbal) communication; body language; gesture; facial expression; kinesics; proxemics; laughter; touch; eye contact; symbolic communication	And	Race or ethnicity or culture; sex differences; gender; age; sexual orientation; people with disabilities

Database searching tips


- **Use limiters** (full text, peer reviewed, page number, publication title, publication date range...)
- **Use truncation:** Truncation is represented by an asterisk (*). To use truncation, enter the root of a search term and replace the ending with an * to find all forms of that word.

For example, *communica** will search for terms such as: communication, communications, communicating...

■ Using Quotation Marks


When a phrase is enclosed by double *quotations marks*, the exact phrase is searched.

■ Use

If an article is not full-text in the database you are searching, use  to see if the journal you want is available full-text in other library online databases or to see if it is available in other formats, such as print.

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