Real Researchers Use Articles (and Books)

Books are GREAT! But...
They take a looong time to write and publish, so the overall volume of information is relatively small.

Articles are much shorter, but they provide a wider range of research on a vast number of topics.

Fantastic! Now, how do I find articles???

Databases to the Rescue!

Articles databases:
- Are searchable on lots of different fields
- Contain collections of tons of different journals, magazines, and newspapers
- Provide both general and subject-specific selections
- Can be accessed from anywhere on-campus (or off-campus using JCVPN)

Which one is right for me?

Choose your database based on the general subject you're searching on.

✓ To search on almost every topic, start with:
  - Academic Search Complete
  - JStor
  - Sage
  - Wiley

✓ For more specific topics, try:
  - MLA International Bibliography (Language and Literature)
  - ERIC (Education)
  - America: History & Life (American History)
  - Historical Abstracts (World History)
  - Science Direct (Natural Sciences)

Now what?

✓ Do a search (refine it, if necessary...BRAINSTORMING!)
  - Use the “Scholarly/Peer-Reviewed” option
  - Check out some abstracts
  - Summary of an article written by the author(s)
  - Take note of the bibliography
  - You’ll need to cite it if you use it
  - Read the article
  - If HTML or PDF full text are available, you’re set!
  - If not, check Full Text Finder list to see if we have it
  - Still nothing, try Interlibrary Loan!

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