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Academic Search Complete is an academic database that contains journals and magazines from many disciplines – the humanities, social sciences, medicine, sciences, and more. More than 8,500 of these publications are available in full-text, and over 7,000 are peer-reviewed. This means the articles were reviewed by experts before publication.

MasterFILE Premier is a multidisciplinary database that provides the full-text for nearly 1,700 periodicals. It covers many subjects of general interest, contains the full-text of nearly 500 reference books, and provides access to more than 164,000 primary sources. It also contains an image collection of over 592,000 photos, maps and flags.

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Full-Text Finder is a guide to the journals and magazines available through the library’s online databases. It allows you to search by title for a periodical to determine whether the full-text of the publication is electronically accessible in any of the library’s databases. If so, Full-Text Finder shall identify the databases and enable you to search within the journal or magazine. This database is an excellent tool for finding article citations that are found in reference books, textbooks, and on course syllabi.

News

National Newspaper Core is a searchable database of the following national and local newspapers: Baltimore Sun, Christian Science Monitor, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, and Washington Post. For each newspaper, the database provides access to the full-text of articles dating from the 1980s or 1990s to the present.

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CQ Researcher is a database that comprehensive reports on current social and public policy issues dating back to 1923. For each issue, the reports includes an overview, historical background, chronology, pro/con features, and resources for additional research. The reports also contain many graphics, photos, and sidebar features.

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