

Hawkeye Community College Library

Searching for Magazine and Journal Articles using EBSCOhost databases

1. **Plan your search strategy.**

See the library “Pre-search Planning” handout at

http://www.hawkeyecollege.edu/library/handouts/presearch_planning.pdf

2. **Access the EBSCO databases from the Hawkeye Community College Library’s home page** (<http://www.hawkeyecollege.edu/library/index.aspx>) and click on the link to EBSCOhost in the blue frame at the top of the library page.

a. **On campus access:** You will be taken to the Choose Databases screen.

b. **Off campus access:** You will be prompted to enter your HCC username and password. It is the same as for your HCC email login. Click on the Submit button and you will be taken to the Choose Databases screen.

See the login tips at: <http://www.hawkeyecollege.edu/library/logintips.aspx>. This is also linked from the library’s home page in the Help Section.

3. **Select the database(s) you wish to search.** Read the database descriptions to see which one or ones will work best for your research needs. From the search form screen, you may also use the drop down box to select databases from various topic areas.

Choose Databases | Select another EBSCO service

To search within a single database, click the database name listed below. To select more than one database to search, check the boxes next to the databases and click *Continue*.

Continue

Select / deselect all

Academic Search Premier
This multi-disciplinary database provides full text for more than 4,500 journals, including full text for more than 3,700 further are available for well over one hundred journals, and searchable cited references are provided for more than
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MasterFILE Premier
Designed specifically for public libraries, this multidisciplinary database provides full text for nearly 1,750 general refe dating as far back as 1975. Covering virtually every subject area of general interest, *MasterFILE Premier* also include from 86,017 biographies, 105,786 full text primary source documents, and an Image Collection of 341,655 photos, m via EBSCOhost.
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Business Source Elite
This business database provides full text for nearly 1,100 business publications, including full text for nearly 500 peer collection of titles in *Business Source Elite* provides information dating back to 1985. This database is updated on a d

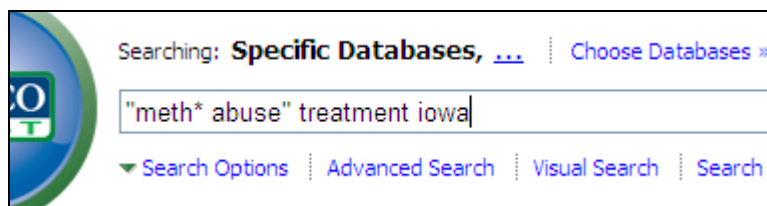
The following steps describe the search process:

- The topic for the example is: “How effective are meth abuse treatment programs?”
- Resources needed: academic journal articles
- Database selected: Academic Search Premier

Searching for Journal articles using Academic Search Premier. This large, multi-disciplinary database has thousands of publications indexed. Most are academic/scholarly journals. Information about a particular article includes abstracts, subject headings, and often the entire text of the article.

1. Go to the library's home page (<http://www.hawkeyecollege.edu/library/>) and click on the link to EBSCOhost in the blue bar near the top of the page.
2. Select the database(s). Academic Search Premier is the "default" and the box is already checked. You can then click on the Continue button (or if searching just one database at a time, click on the database title.) The next screen will be the Basic Search Form.
3. Use the Basic Search form. (The Advanced Search form has more features and may also be used, but it is not discussed here.)
 - a. Type in keywords from your search topic in the box.
 - b. In the illustration below, you can see the phrase: "meth* abuse." Please note:
 - i. Use the asterisk "*" to truncate (expand the endings.) However, be careful when doing this as you can get what is called "false hits" – results that have nothing to do with your topic. **Meth*** will return articles that have the terms: methamphetamine and methamphetamines, besides just plain meth. But **meth*** may also give you articles that have the words: method, methods, and methodology.
 - ii. The EBSCO databases are set up to automatically insert an **AND** in between every word. The results for: **meth* AND abuse** will be different than for the phrase: "**meth* abuse**" which will be more specific to the search topic. NOTE: use quotation marks around words you want searched as a phrase.
 - iii. Adding the keywords: **treatment** and **iowa** will help narrow the search results. Depending on your topic, you may need to adjust your keywords to be more specific or to be more general.


(Remember you do not have to type AND in between your search terms or phrases.)




- c. Click on the Search button.


4. View the results list

- a. The information in the illustration below includes the title of an article (which links to more information about the article), the authors' names, the publication (Journal of Clinical & Experimental Neuropsychology), date of publication, volume and issue number, the pages the article is found on, and the length of the article (5 pages.) It also indicates that there are 2 charts and 2 graphs. This article is available full text online. See Section 5 (below) about accessing full text online articles.

3. [Executive functions among individuals with *methamphetamine* or alcohol as drugs of choice: Preliminary observations.](#) 

By: Gonzalez, Raul; Bechara, Antoine; Martin, Eileen M.. Journal of Clinical & Experimental Neuropsychology, Feb2007, Vol. 29 Issue 2, p155-159, 5p, 2 charts, 2 graphs; DOI: 10.1080/13803390600582446; (AN 24155766)

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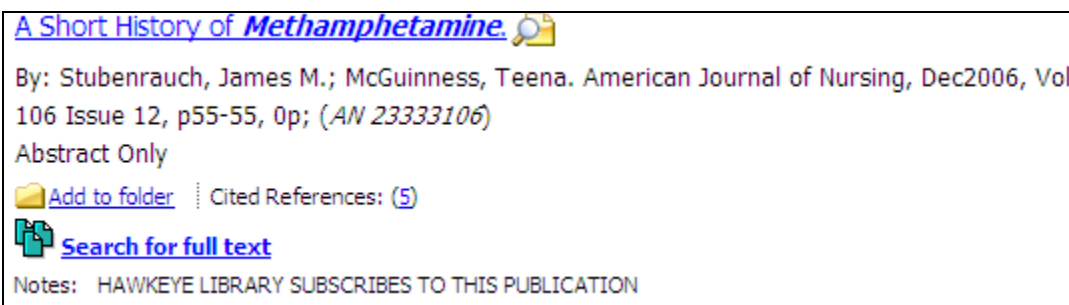
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- b. Other results may not be available online in full text, but may be obtained via Interlibrary Loan (ILL) using the “Request this item through interlibrary loan” link. See Section 8, below, for information about Interlibrary Loan requests.

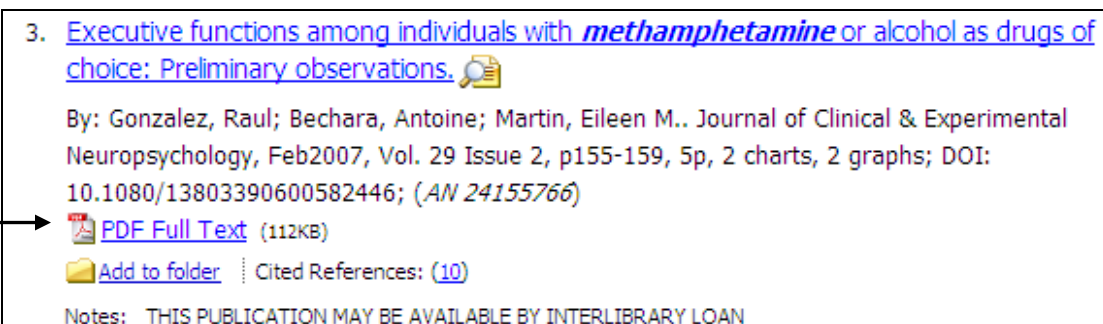
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- c. In the above illustration you will notice the “Search for Full Text” link. If the article is available in another database (such as LexisNexis) this link will lead you to the article. For more information, see the handout “Search for Full Text Articles” available at: http://www.hawkeyecollege.edu/library/handouts/search_full_text.pdf
- d. Occasionally you may find citations and abstracts to articles that are only available in print in the HCC Library as in the example below. These articles may be photocopied in the library or the periodical may be checked out for one week. Distance education students who do not come to campus may contact the library at 319-296-4006 for assistance.

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5. Access full text articles in EBSCOhost databases

- a. Full text articles may be available in PDF or HTML format, or sometimes both. HTML Full Text is a web page version (just keep scrolling down below the citation section) and the PDF is a scanned image of the article. You may go directly to the article by clicking on the “HTML Full Text” or “PDF Full Text” links.

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- b. Or, you may first find out more information about the article by clicking on the title link to access the Full Record screen.

The image below displays the Full Record. The authors' names, the source (publication), and subject terms are links. By clicking on one of the author's names, you will get a list of other articles written by that individual. Click on the subject terms for a list of other articles on that subject. A brief summary (abstract) is usually also included in this section.

Title:	Executive functions among individuals with <i>methamphetamine</i> or alcohol as drugs of choice: Preliminary observations.
Authors:	Gonzalez, Raul ¹ rgonzalez@psych.uic.edu Bechara, Antoine ² Martin, Eileen M. ¹
Source:	Journal of Clinical & Experimental Neuropsychology ; Feb2007, Vol. 29 Issue 2, p155-159, 5p, 2 charts, 2 graphs
Document Type:	Article
Subject Terms:	* SUBSTANCE abuse * ADDICTS * METHAMPHETAMINE abuse * ALCOHOLISM * SHORT-term memory
Abstract:	Substance dependent individuals (SDIs) are frequently, but not invariably, impaired on tasks of executive functions. In this study, we examine patterns of executive performance among subjects with different self-reported "drug of choice" (defined as substance used

- c. For more information about a specific publication, click on its title in the **Source** section. See example below for the publication details:

Title:	Journal of Clinical & Experimental Neuropsychology
ISSN:	1380-3395
Publisher Information:	Psychology Press (UK)
Bibliographic Records:	02/01/1998 to present
Full Text:	02/01/1998 to present (with a 12 Month delay) *Full text delay due to publisher restrictions ("embargo")
Link to this Publication:	http://library.hawkeyecollege.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct
Publication Type:	Academic Journal
Subjects:	Biological Sciences; Biology; Medical Sciences; Psychology; Psychology & Psychiatry
Description:	Publishes research on the neuropsychological consequences of brain disease, disorder, and methods, and research findings in clinical and experimental neuropsychology.
Publisher URL:	http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/13803395.asp
Frequency:	8
Peer Reviewed:	Yes

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- e. **Back at the Full Record screen.** If the article is in HTML format, scroll down the page to find it below the citation information. The PDF versions will have a "PDF Full Text" link. Click on it to open the article.

For PDF articles, your computer will need to have Adobe Acrobat Reader installed. If it does not, you may download it from: <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html>.

6. Print a full text article

- a. **HTML:** use the Printer icon above the citation section.
- b. **PDF:** use the printer icon in the Adobe Reader tool bar immediately above the article.


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7. Refine Searches

- a. On the results list screen, you can click on any or all of the boxes in the "Limit Your Results" section to limit to Full Text articles or to articles from HCC library's subscription publications. You may also limit by date range.
- b. Limit to only Scholarly (Academic) Journals by using the Narrow Results section on the left of the screen. Click on Publication Type and then on Academic Journal.
- c. You may change your search terms by using the box above the results list.
- d. Limiters can also be set on the original search form before you do the search.


8. Request an article through Interlibrary Loan



- a. If an article is not full text online, you may submit an Interlibrary Loan request. Use the link from the results list (seen below) or from the Full Record screen.

[Methamphetamine Abuse in the United States: Psychological and Sociological Considerations.](#) 

By: Shrem, Michael T.; Halkitis, Perry N.. Journal of Health Psychology, Jul2008, Vol. 13 Issue 5, p669-679, 11p; DOI: 10.1177/1359105307082461; (AN 32856407)

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