

WJU Library subscribes to many web-based electronic products. EBSCOhost is one of the most popular because it provides the bulk of our Psychology and Religion periodical articles.

Access: To access EBSCOhost, point your browser to: www.jessup.edu/library

- Click “Electronic Collections” in the right-hand menu
- Select the “EBSCO & More” tab at the top of the page.
- Select the “EBSCO” link within that tab to see all the databases we subscribe to through EBSCO.
- Choose the best database for your subject (i.e. ATLAS is for religion research)

****NOTE:** When you are OFF CAMPUS or using CAMPUS Wi-Fi you may be asked to enter your student/staff login, same as you do for Moodle or Discovery. You will then proceed to the database you selected**

Basic Search

- Enter the most specific word or phrase to describe your topic: (i.e. “Adlerian Psychotherapy” rather than “Psychotherapy”).
- Use the truncation (*) and wildcard (?) symbols to search for variant spellings
 - Truncation (*): enter the beginning of a search word followed by * (i.e. typing ethic* will find entries containing ethical, ethics, ethicist, etc.).
 - Wildcard (?) replaces a single letter (i.e. searching for wom?n will find all entries containing women and woman).
- Click “**Search.**” In the left column of the search results screen, you may “**Refine your results**” using a variety of criteria. Good choices here can save you a lot of time.

Advanced Searching

- Under the search box, click **Advanced Search.**
- Enter each word or phrase into a separate **Find** box.
- Next, use the drop down menu list to the right of the search box to select what type of information each box represents (title, subject, journal title). NOTE: this is optional, but can return better search results and save you time.
- In between search boxes, you may choose “AND” “OR” or “NOT” from the dropdown menu. AND gets fewer results, OR gets more results. NOT excludes results that contain a particular term (i.e. articles on psychotherapy AND Adler, articles on psychotherapy OR on Adler, articles on psychotherapy that do NOT mention Adler).
- In the left column of the search results screen, you may “**Refine your results**” using a variety of criteria. Good choices here can save you a lot of time.

Search Results Screen

- Click on the title to display the full description of an article.
- Hover the mouse over the magnifying glass icon to see a preview of the article.
- Don't read the full articles yet! Click "**Add to Folder**" for articles that interest you. You can read them completely once you have sifted the results.
- In the left column of the search results screen, you may "**Refine your results**" using a variety of criteria. Good choices here can save you a lot of time.
- **Guideline: 100 or fewer results.** This isn't the WWW. 1000+ results is bad news! You were not specific enough with your research topic or search terms.

Thesaurus

- The right terminology is half the challenge of searching. **Thesaurus** is your guide to finding the best terms for each concept.
- Click the **Thesaurus** at the very top left of any EBSCO screen.
- Browse the thesaurus for the specific terminology that the database uses. i.e. you may say "Adlerian Therapy," but PSYCHarticles uses the term "Adlerian Psychotherapy." You get the best results by cooperating with the terms in the Thesaurus.

Printing, Saving, Cite, or E-mailing Search Results

- When you click the title of an article you will see a full description of the article and the full-text (if available) in the middle column.
- The right column has links to **print, save, permalink, share,** and more.
- **Cite:** this link will generate a citation for you in your preferred format. You can cut and paste this to a word document.
- **Listen:** reads the article aloud to you.
- If you are using a library computer, save everything to a USB drive or email it to yourself. The library computers do not allow you to save anything long-term.

Video tutorials that demonstrate Psycharticles and ATLAS (bible and theology) are available on the "How-to Guides" page at www.jessup.edu/library