Welcome to the UW Libraries! Starting point for library research: [https://www.uwyo.edu/libraries/](https://www.uwyo.edu/libraries/)

**UW username and password required for off campus access**
- Click “Login + Account Access“ under the SERVICES section, or the key icon in the upper right corner of the library home page.
- Enter your WyoWeb username & password in the Off-campus access form.
- Authenticates you for access to library databases

**Request It: ([https://ill.uwyo.edu/logon.html](https://ill.uwyo.edu/logon.html))**
- Use “Request It” for items from UW Libraries or via interlibrary loan (ILL). Service is free.
- Journal articles are generally sent electronically using your UW email address; allow 1 day to 2 weeks (for items not owned by UW).
- Books from other libraries may take up to 3 weeks.
- Borrowing periods are determined by the lending library.
- Items may be renewed online by going to “Login + Account Access.”
- Send questions about Request It to elsreq@uwyo.edu.

**Journal articles:** Use the Databases menu or the Articles search bar in the FIND section to search for articles on a topic (i.e., authored content within a larger publication).
- **Use the “Databases by Subject” list** on the Databases & Articles page to discover the most important databases in your field.
- **Full text** (PDF or HTML) is available online for many articles; others may be requested from the UW print collection or other libraries.
- **No full text?** Select “Find @ UW.” You’ll see options for full text (if available) or Request It.
- **Have a citation?** Find the journal in the catalog, or navigate from the “SEE ALL RESEARCH TOOLS“ button in the FIND section to the “eJournals” icon. Search or browse for the journal or use [Google Scholar](https://scholar.google.com).

**Conference proceedings:**
Conference proceedings can be a little bit tricky to find! Here are some tips:
- Use WorldCat (available in the alphabetical “Databases by Title” menu).
- If you have a specific conference you want to find, use the conference name as the “author.”
- Use keywords “congress*” or “proceeding*” and a word or phrase to describe the subject (like “pop* culture”).
- Use [Google Scholar](https://scholar.google.com) to complete citations if you are missing pieces.
Dissertations and theses:
- UW theses are listed in the library catalog.
- Search in databases Digital Dissertations and Theses, Dissertations and Theses, Dissertations and Theses @ University of Wyoming, or Dissertations and Theses Global for online dissertations and theses. UW now provides full text access to most U.S. dissertations and many theses, including UW theses since 2007.

Statistics: Government documents are one of the best sources for statistics. Look for Guides or “Getting Started” to direct you to sources.
- Follow the Guide for searching state and federal government info: https://uwyo.libguides.com/wyfed
- Try National Center for Educational Statistics for education research: https://nces.ed.gov/
- More sources of statistics may be found in selected subject guides.

Books: Use the online library catalog (UW Libraries Catalog).
- Keyword: search looks for term anywhere in the record
- Authors: search last name first
- Titles: leave off articles at the beginning (the, a, la, das, etc.)
- Advanced search: combine author/title/keyword searches; limit by date, format
- Course Reserves: print or electronic reserves (required course readings)
- Use WorldCat to search for books beyond UW; request items from other libraries by selecting “Request It” on the screen for the item you want.
- Prospector expands your borrowing privileges for print materials to Colorado libraries.

Staying organized:
- Use a citation manager like EndNote, Mendeley, or Zotero to keep track of citations and to format bibliographies. https://uwyo.libguides.com/citationmanagement
- Keep careful notes (organized by theme) so you don’t have to re-read too much.
- Color-code for important themes.

Need help?
Library Help Desk: 766-2070. Email form under “Ask a Librarian.” Text or chat too!

Notes
Name of your subject librarian: