

Ulrich's International Periodicals Guide

Ulrich's is a resource that offers information about magazines and journals. It includes subscription cost, frequency, type of publication (scholarly, trade etc.), where the publication is indexed, the editor, and special features that it possesses such as if it is refereed and if it contains book reviews.

Access Ulrich's from the NYIT Libraries homepage: <http://iris.nyit.edu/library>.

Under the heading "Find Journal and News Articles", click on the option "Databases by Title".

Scroll down the page and under the title *Ulrich's International Periodicals*", select either on campus, or off-campus depending on your location.

When logging in from on-campus, you will be placed on the first page of ERLWEBSPIRS5. You will have to select "Ulrich's International Periodicals" from the menu that is offered. Next, click on the "start searching" button that is in the upper right hand corner of the screen, and you follow the search instructions as they are given below.

When logging in from off-campus, click on "off-campus access", which is located below the "Find Journal and News Articles" heading. A page will appear, and you will be instructed to enter your username and password. Once you have logged in, the list of NYIT databases appears, and you may select "Ulrich's". Next, follow the search instructions as they appear below.

BASIC SEARCH

A search box will appear, which allows you to search by "terms anywhere" (the default option), "subject", or "title". Select "title", type in *Anthropological Quarterly* and click on "search". The search result will appear. Next, click on the citation, and then click on "complete record"; the full record of the journal will appear. If you wish to use another search option, click into the appropriate box. NOTE: If you would like to know about other titles in your subject, you may type in a word such as "anthropology", and several titles that deal with that subject will appear.

Be sure to close the windows between searches.

ADVANCED SEARCH

This feature allows you to expand your searching options; this includes searching by abstract, alternative title, descriptors (subject), editor, addresses, fax number, issn, and publisher, among others. Once you select the advanced option, three boxes appear on the left side in which you are allowed to type in search terms. In addition, there are boxes on the right which allow you to select additional fields such as the ones listed above. Finally, you may also use the Boolean options "and", "or", and "not" to further refine your searches.

If you wanted to search for biology journals published by Kluwer-Academic, but not ones that included plants, you could type in box 1 "biology" and choose "terms anywhere". Next, in box 2 type in "Kluwer" and click on "publisher" in the drop down menu that is to the right of it, and then click on the "not" button that is above the third search box. Finally, in the third search box, type in "plant*" and choose "terms anywhere".

What follows below applies to all search modes in Ulrich's

Be careful when using the limit features, as you can eliminate results that are useful for your research.

PEER REVIEWED NOTE

If you want to know if a journal is peer-reviewed, when you are in a record, scroll down to "special features". Ulrich's uses the term "refereed", but it means the same thing.

Index

After you have selected the databases, and the search box appears, the index feature is made available for your use if you don't know what search terms to use. The button is near the middle of the screen towards the top. Click on it and a menu of index options appears. The system defaults to the General Index, and you can get a list of index terms by typing in a letter of the alphabet in the search box provided. Other index choices include document type, issn, descriptors (same as subject terms), country of publication and year first published; click on the down arrow to the right of the "index to search" box and you will be able to view the other selections. Once you have the term that you wish to use, click on it, and you will retrieve the desired results.

If you wanted to see how many publications are listed for the country of Jamaica, select "country of publication" from the drop down menu that is to the right of the "index to search" box. Next, type in "Jamaica" in the "term" box that is below the index search box and either click on the "go to term" button, or press enter and you will get your desired result.

Show Marked Records

After you have obtained search results, and you wish to narrow the selection to a few records, click on the boxes that appear to the left of each record. Next, on the left side of the screen above the search results list is a button named "show" with a drop down menu immediately to the right of it. Click on the arrow for the drop down menu and one of the options is "marked results". Click on it, and only the records that you have "marked" will appear on the screen before you.

Truncation

You may search for the various forms of a word by using the truncation feature. Type in biolog*, and you will retrieve searches that include biology, biological, biologically, etc.

Wildcard

This enables you to find various spellings of words that can be changed with one letter within the word. Type in colo?r and you will get search results for color and colour.

Email

You may email an article to yourself or to anyone else. Just click on the "email" button, on the right towards the middle of the screen and boxes will appear which enable you to type in an address and a subject heading. Next, click on the "send mail" button, and a message will inform you that the article has been sent as requested.

Printing

You may click on the print icon towards the upper right corner of the screen, and a box will appear; this enables you to alter the appearance of the document if you wish. Next, click on "print" button, and a print window from the browser will appear. Click on the "okay" button, and the document will print.

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