

Patron:

19:35:43 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Chat Transcript: I need help finding a scholarly journal article for my communication ethics class. Can you help me find one?

Librarian:

19:35:43 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Note: Patron's screen name: Casey Blickenstaff

Librarian:

19:37:24 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Librarian 'ChristineMSU' has joined the session.

Librarian:

19:37:34 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Hello! I'm Christine, a librarian at Michigan State University. I can help you when your librarians are not available.

Librarian:

19:37:53 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Hi Casey! Have you already tried finding an article or are you just getting started?

Patron:

19:40:52 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Hi

Patron:

19:41:02 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) I haven't started yet.

Patron:

19:41:32 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) I did for my first assignment and I had a hard time finding one. Another student advised me to go to this option for help for the second assignment.

Librarian:

19:41:53 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) That person gave you great advice! ;)

Patron:

19:42:11 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Lol yay!

Librarian:

19:42:31 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) A good place to start looking for scholarly journal articles in the ESearch box located near the top of your library's home page: <http://www.emich.edu/library/>.

Librarian:

19:44:07 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Actually, the ESearch box is in the middle of the library's home page. Didn't want to confuse that with the site search box at the top.

Patron:

19:44:07 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Should i type in communication ethics there?

Librarian:

19:45:09 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Sure, you can try with that. It's a pretty broad topic, so you may get a lot of results. I can try it with you and see what happens...

Patron:

19:45:52 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Yeah. It just has to be a scholarly journal about an issue on communication ethics.

Patron:

19:45:58 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Thanks for your help, BTW!

Librarian:

19:47:48 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Oh, sure! No problem. i just tried searching for communication ethics and got more than 500,000 results! Did you get the same?

Patron:

19:48:07 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Yeah! lol!

Patron:

19:48:44 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Should i change the content type to Journal articles?

Patron:

19:49:13 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Oh, theres a scholarly & peer reviewed button

Librarian:

19:49:23 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Good. And yes! Select Scholarly & Peer Review and then Journal Article.

Librarian:

19:50:18 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) That whittles in down to 250,000.

Librarian:

19:52:11 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) You could browse this list or you could add a couple more words to your search to whittle down the list to a more specific topic.

Patron:

19:52:35 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Yeah!

Librarian:

19:53:17 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) So it sounds as if you're on the right track for finding the article! Do you still need help or do you feel you have enough information to try on your own?

Patron:

19:53:29 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Im also looking at the references page in my class book. im looking at the journals they used as examples.

Librarian:

19:54:38 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Good idea! Do you want help finding these journals at your library? Because that is a different process than using ESearch.

Patron:

19:55:10 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Like physical copies??

Librarian:

19:55:30 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Or electronic (online) copies...

Patron:

19:55:49 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Lol. Theres a different search engine?

Patron:

19:56:15 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) thats like if I sign in with my username and use their stuff

Librarian:

19:57:23 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Yes and no about the different search engine...you could use ESearch for finding a specific journal titles, but it's easier to use the Journals by Title tab that appears above the Esearch box on their home page.

Librarian:

19:57:45 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) And yes, you would need to use your emich name and password to fully access the online stuff in their collection.

Patron:

19:57:52 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400)

http://emich.summon.serialssolutions.com/search?keep_r=true&s.fvf%5B%5D=ContentType%2CNewspaper+Article%2Ct&s.q=communication+ethics&spellcheck=true&utf8=%E2%9C%93#!/search?ho=t&fvf=ContentType,Newspaper%20Article,t%7CContentType,Journal%20Article,f%7CIsScholarly,true,f&l=en&q=machines%20and%20mindlessness

Patron:

19:58:06 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) can you open that or this
<http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com.ezproxy.emich.edu/doi/10.1111/0022-4537.00153/epdf>

Librarian:

19:58:23 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Let me try...hold on for just a moment.

Librarian:

19:59:53 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) I was able to open the first one, although for a second it acted like it wasn't going to work. Were you able to open it?

Patron:

20:00:33 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) yeah I was. the PDF

Librarian:

20:00:48 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Oh, I see the second URL you've sent is the PDF. Ok. Yes, it worked for me.

Patron:

20:01:05 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) That is a journal article that my communication ethics book used.

Librarian:

20:01:47 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) I see. Did you have a question about that article?

Patron:

20:02:07 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) its from Harvard University... That would make it a scholarly article right?

Patron:

20:02:55 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) wait. is that a journal? lol

Librarian:

20:04:24 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) It's not necessarily the publisher that qualifies the journal as a scholarly journal. You have to think about the content of the article (is it research?) and the requirements for publishing in that journal (editorial board? peer review?). A good way to find out if a journal is scholarly is to look at the About this Journal section.

Librarian:

20:05:02 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Take a look at this:
[http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com.ezproxy.emich.edu/journal/10.1111/\(ISSN\)1540-4560/homepage/ProductInformation.html](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com.ezproxy.emich.edu/journal/10.1111/(ISSN)1540-4560/homepage/ProductInformation.html)

Librarian:

20:05:25 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Published for The Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI), the Journal of Social Issues (JSI) brings behavioral and social science theory, empirical evidence, and practice to bear on human and social problems. Each issue of the journal focuses on a single topic - recent issues, for example, have addressed poverty, housing and health; privacy as a social and psychological concern; youth and violence; and the impact of social class on education.

Patron:

20:05:58 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) I dont think it is then..

Librarian:

20:07:27 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) It is, actually! It is a publication of an academic society (...Psychological Study of Social Sciences) and the articles discuss theory and empirical evidence (aka research data).

Patron:

20:08:16 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) I need to answer three questions in my assignment.

Patron:

20:08:24 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) 1) WHat were they looking for?

Patron:

20:08:33 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) 2)How did they go about looking (method) ?

Patron:

20:08:42 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) 3) What were their findings? (results)

Patron:

20:08:53 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) This article would suffice for that -- right??

Patron:

20:09:01 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Sorry if I should dumb..lol

Librarian:

20:10:36 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) No, you're not dumb! Please don't say that about yourself! Ok, so from those 3 questions, it seems as if your professor wants you to find an original research article from a scholarly journal. And the one that you've shown me is actually a review of other studies, so you'll need to find one that can help address your 3 questions.

Patron:

20:11:10 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Oh..ok!

Librarian:

20:12:19 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) An easy way to approach this is to go back to the Esearch option and add the word study to your search. So, your search phrase will be...

Librarian:

20:12:26 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) communication ethics study

Librarian:

20:13:29 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) and you can add another word or two to narrow down your topic, too, if you wish.

Patron:

20:15:15 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400)

http://ry7wh7fe2u.search.serialssolutions.com/?ctx_ver=Z39.88-2004&ctx_enc=info%3Aofi%2Fenc%3AUTF-8&rft_id=info:sid/summon.serialssolutions.com&rft_val_fmt=info:ofi/fmt:kev:mtx:journal&rft.genre=article&rft.atitle=Media+institutions%2C+news+organizations%2C+and+the+jouranistic+social+role+world+wide%3A+a+cross-organizational+study+of+codes+of+ethics&rft.jtitle=Mass+Communication+and+Society&rft.au=Himelboim%2C+Itai&rft.au=Limor%2C+Yehiel&rft.date=2011-01-01&rft.pub=University+of+South+Carolina&rft.issn=1520-5436&rft.eissn=1532-7825&rft.volume=14&rft.issue=1&rft.spage=71&rft.externalDBID=BSHEE&rft.externalDocID=254352204¶mdict=en-US

Patron:

20:15:27 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) do you think this article would work?

Librarian:

20:15:41 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Let me check. I'll be right back.

Librarian:

20:16:38 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Yes, this would work.

Patron:

20:16:40 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) ok thx

Librarian:

20:17:14 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Sure! All set for now?

Patron:

20:18:21 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) You think that would suffice? its original work?

Librarian:

20:18:58 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Yes and Yes. I believe so.

Patron:

20:19:28 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) okay.. ill look at this more closely. thanks. have a good night. bye.

Librarian:

20:19:45 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Thank you for using our chat reference service. Please feel free to contact us again if you have more questions or need additional assistance.

Patron:

20:19:51 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) ohhhh. and that is a closely

Patron:

20:19:58 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) scholarly journal. right>

Librarian:

20:20:26 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Yes, it is!

Patron:

20:20:45 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Its weird, because it doesnt clearly state "scholraly journal"

Patron:

20:20:57 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) what makes something a scholarly journal.. again

Librarian:

20:21:58 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Most of them won't say, "Scholarly journal" on them. And it is weird, but the one that you've chosen and you can tell from their explanation on their about page:

Librarian:

20:22:01 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Mass Communication and Society's mission is to publish articles from a wide variety of perspectives and approaches that advance mass communication theory, especially at the societal or macrosocial level. It draws heavily from many other disciplines, including sociology, psychology, anthropology, philosophy, law, and history. Methodologically, journal articles employ qualitative and quantitative methods, survey research, ethnography, laboratory experiments, historical methods, and legal analysis. Peer Review Policy All articles in this journal have undergone editorial screening and double-blind peer review by at least two reviewers.

Patron:

20:23:25 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) oh, so it basically says its all peered reviewed

Librarian:

20:24:26 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Yes, the articles that journal are peer-reviewed, meaning that a board of scholars/experts on those topics review the articles for content/originality/methodology before approving them for publication.

Librarian:

20:25:01 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Let me see if I can find a cheat sheet that explains scholarly journals in a more helpful way.

Patron:

20:25:02 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) ohhh!! ok!!!.... thanks so much. that is all i guess!!

Patron:

20:25:17 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) ok!!

Librarian:

20:28:12 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Hope you're still there...my internet connection blanked out for a second.

Patron:

20:28:25 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) im here!

Librarian:

20:28:55 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400)

Librarian:

20:29:22 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Ok, I couldn't find a cheat sheet from EMU, but my library, MSU, has one that's really helpful: <http://libguides.lib.msu.edu/findarticles/popschol>

Librarian:

20:29:39 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) This chart helps explain the differences between scholarly, popular, and trade journals.

Patron:

20:30:11 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) thx so much

Librarian:

20:30:41 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) You're welcome! Is there anything else I can help you with, Casey?

Patron:

20:31:01 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Nope! thanks. have a good night!

Patron:

20:31:10 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Patron ended chat session.

Librarian:

20:31:18 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) You, too! Good luck with your assignment.

Librarian:

20:31:23 2015/10/26 (GMT -0400) Thank you for using our chat reference service. Please feel free to contact us again if you have more questions or need additional assistance.

Librarian:

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