



SOCIAL WORK LIBRARY RESOURCE GUIDE SHAKE LEARNING RESOURCES CENTER

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INFORMATION PATHWAYS

- Find Books: VU WebCat Online Catalog (books, music, videos, ebooks, periodicals, etc.)
- Find Articles: Electronic Periodical Databases (EBSCOhost, AcademicUniverse, ProQuest, etc.)
- Library Reference Collection: (dictionaries, encyclopedias, handbooks, legal collection, etc.)
- Internet Resources

I. FIND BOOKS: VU WEBCAT (LIBRARY CATALOG)

WebCat is VU's computerized catalog of books, ebooks, videotapes, music CDs, periodicals subscribed to by the library, and some useful web sites. *WebCat* is available in the library and through the World Wide Web (You access the VU Library home page at <http://www.vinu.edu/>, then select the Academic Resources tab at the top of the page, then click Shake Library, then Find Books, and then VU WebCat).

The user can find materials quickly using the Simple Search screen (the default screen you see when you access *WebCat*), which allows searching the *WebCat* database by the following menu choices:

- Author Browse
- Exact Title
- Subject Browse (use topics like social work, social service, medical social work, communication in social work, public welfare, police social work, social group work, social workers, social case work, psychiatric social work, child welfare, child abuse, child support, etc.)
- Call Number Browse
- Command Search (keywords)
- Journal Title (searches for titles of magazines and journals in VU's Periodical Collection)

II. FIND ARTICLES (ELECTRONIC PERIODICAL DATABASES)

Shake Library offers researchers many choices of electronic databases for use in locating articles on specific topics in periodical literature (newspapers, journals, magazines, etc.). After accessing online databases, use the help information available with each database to become familiar with its search options. If you need assistance with using a database, please ask for help from a librarian at the Reference Desk. To search periodical databases, go to the VU Library home page at <http://www.vinu.edu/>, then select the Academic Resources tab at the top of the page, then click Shake Library, then Find Articles, and then click the database you want to search.

EBSCOhost (INSPIRE)

EBSCOhost's Academic Search Elite database is a resource providing access to thousands of full-text articles appearing in professional, scholarly journals and magazines. This is an excellent resource to begin searching for information about topics related to social work.

PROQUEST

ProQuest offers a suite of databases that cover everything from career and vocational education to social science. More than 3,000 publications are listed in *ProQuest*, with many available in full text. This database provider offers two databases that contain full-text content from peer reviewed sources related to juvenile justice topics. *The Social Science Module* and *Psychology Module* databases provide access to professional, scholarly research topics related to social work.

ACADEMIC UNIVERSE (LexisNexis)

The social work researcher will find *Academic Universe's Legal Research* databases to be comprehensive sites for finding legal information relating to social work issues. Areas to search would include legal news, law reviews (journals), case law, and codes & regulations.

NEWSBANK

NewsBank provides access to full-text articles from newspapers, magazines, and wire services. The *TCR* database (1992 - current) includes news articles covering social issues, economics, the environment, government, sports, the arts, people, health and science. Articles are taken from a wide variety of sources, including U.S. and international newspapers, wire services, broadcasts, magazines, U.S. government documents, United Nations documents, and historical documents.

SIRS KNOWLEDGE SOURCE

- *SIRS Researcher* - This contains thousands of full-text articles related to contemporary social issues from a variety of sources.
- *SIRS Government Reporter* - This is an excellent resource for finding information from federal government sources. There's good coverage of social welfare topics in this database.

SOCIAL WORK PERIODICALS AVAILABLE FROM SHAKE LIBRARY

American Journal of Drug & Alcohol Abuse (ASE)
American Journal of Family Therapy (ASE)
Australian Social Work (ASE)
British Journal of Social Work (ProQuest)
Child Abuse Review (ASE)
Child & Adolescent Social Work Journal (ASE)
Child & Family Social Work (ASE)
Child Development (Print & ASE)
Child Welfare (Print, ASE & ProQuest)
Clinical Social Work Journal (ProQuest)
Community Mental Health Journal (ProQuest)
Contemporary Drug Problems (ASE & ProQuest)
Families in Society (Print & ProQuest)
Family Relations (Print & ProQuest)
Health & Social Care in the Community (ASE)
Health & Social Work (ASE & ProQuest)
Journal of Behavioral Health Services & Research (ASE & ProQuest)
Journal of Marriage and the Family (Print, ASE & ProQuest)
Journal of Marital & Family Therapy (ProQuest)
Journal of Rehabilitation (ASE & ProQuest)
Journal of Social Work Education (ASE)
Journal of Sociology & Social Welfare (ASE)
Policy & Practice of Public Human Services (Print, ASE & ProQuest)
Psychiatric Rehabilitation Journal (ASE & ProQuest)
Social Choice and Welfare (ProQuest)
Social Research (ASE & ProQuest)
Social Service Review (ASE & ProQuest)
Social Work (ASE & ProQuest)
Social Work Education (ASE)
Social Work Research (ASE & ProQuest)

Note: ASE is the acronym for *EBSCOhost's Academic Search Elite* database.

III. LIBRARY REFERENCE COLLECTION

Besides using books and articles, some of your most important resources are to be found in the VU Library's Reference Collection. A great deal of material--especially on obscure topics--may be found in reference books.

Social Work

Encyclopedia of Social Work (Ref. 360.3 L967e)
Social Work Dictionary (Ref. 361.3 B255s)
Handbook of Gerontological Services (Ref. 362.6)
Handbook of Social Work Direct Practice (Ref. 361.3 H236h)
Handbook of Social Work Practice with Vulnerable Populations (Ref. 361.32 H236h)

Social Work Almanac (Ref. 361.973 G493s)
Social Workers' Desk Reference (Ref. 361.32 S678s)

Statistical References

Statistical Abstract of the United States (Ref. 317.3 U58s)
Statistical Handbook on Adolescents in America (Ref. 305.23 S797a)
Statistical Handbook on Aging Americans (Ref. 305.26 S797a)
Statistical Handbook on Racial Groups in the United States (Ref. 305.8 H442s)
Statistical Handbook on the American Family (Ref. 306.85 S797s)
Statistical Handbook on Violence in America (Ref. 303.6 S797s)
Statistical Handbook on Women in America (Ref. 305.4 S797s)

Behavioral and Social Sciences

Alcohol and Tobacco (Ref. 360 I43a)
The American Family (Ref. 360 I43af)
Childhood Sexual Abuse (Ref. 362.76 K55c)
Companion Encyclopedia of Psychology (Ref. 150.3 C737c)
Corsini Encyclopedia of Psychology and Behavioral Science (Ref. 150.3 C826C)
Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-IV) (Shelved Behind Reference Desk, Ref. 616.89 A512d)
Encyclopedia of Adolescence (Ref. 305.235 E56e)
The Encyclopedia of Adoption (Ref. 362.734 A197e)
The Encyclopedia of Aging (Ref. 305.26 E56e)
The Encyclopedia of Child Abuse (Ref. 362.7 C594e)
The Encyclopedia of Drug Abuse (Ref. 362.29 E56e)
Encyclopedia of Drugs and Alcohol (Ref. 362.29 E56d)
Encyclopedia of Family Life (Ref. 306.85 E56f)
Encyclopedia of Marriage and the Family (Ref. 306.803 E56e)
Encyclopedia of Modern American Social Issues (Ref. 306 E93e)
Encyclopedia of Psychology (Ref. 150.3 E56p)
Encyclopedia of Sociology (Ref. 301.03 E56e)
The Encyclopedic Handbook of Alcoholism (Ref. 362.292 P299)
Growing Old in America (Ref. 360 I43g)
Growing Up in America (Ref. 360 I43g)
International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences (Ref. 303 I61i)
Minorities (Ref. 360 I43mi)
Racial and Ethnic Relations in America (Ref. 305.8 R121r)
Social Science Encyclopedia (Ref. 303 S678s)
Social Welfare (Ref. 360 I43s)
Women's Issues (Ref. 305.4 W872i)

IV. INTERNET RESOURCES

Clinical Social Work Federation (CSWF)
<http://cswf.org>

This organization is a confederation of 31 state societies for clinical social work.

National Association of Social Workers (NASW)

<http://naswdc.org>

The primary professional social work organization is dedicated to enhancing professional growth and development, creating and maintaining professional standards, and advancing sound social policies.

National Association of Social Workers – Indiana Chapter

<http://naswin.org>

The National Network for Social Work Managers

<http://www.socialworkmanager.org>

A professional social work network dedicated to social workers in social work leadership positions.

School Social Work Association of America (SSWAA)

<http://www.sswaa.org>

This is a professional organization for school social workers working in the United States.