

Research Strategies

BIDS 295

Alcohol Use and Abuse:
Causes and Consequences

What is your topic? What questions are you interested in?

- State your research topic
 - Is your project focused?
 - Does it have a point of view?
- What natural scientific questions will you need answers to?
- What socio-cultural questions will you need answers to?

What kind of information sources will you need to research your topic?

- Some sample sources that one can find on the internet
 - Personal web sites
 - Commercial web sites
 - Organization web sites
 - Government sites/publications
 - Educational institution sites
 - Scholarly journals
- Evaluate your sources
 - Who is the publisher?
 - Why is this information being made available?
 - Is the information trustworthy?

General Sources and Research Ideas

(<http://www.alcoholeducationproject.org/researchlinks/rlinks.htm>)

- NIAAA - Alcohol Alerts
- NIAAA - Alcohol Research and Health Issues
- HWS Library Holdings
 - Films
 - Books
- College Drinking – Journal of Studies on Alcohol
- 10th Special Report to Congress

Finding Scholarly Sources From Bibliographic Search Engines

- Google and Google Scholar
- ETOH from NIAAA
- Other specialized databases from NIAAA
- HWS library databases

Accessing Articles

- Ensure that you are logged into HWS network
- Navigate to HWS library website
- Search “Journals by Title”
 - If we have an electronic subscription you will be able to navigate to the journal and article and print or download a pdf file of the article
 - If we do not have an electronic subscription you will need to submit an interlibrary loan request.