



Using ISL OneSearch

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About ISL OneSearch (Webfeat)

ISL OneSearch is a federated search engine powered by Webfeat that allows you to search many of the Illinois State Library's licensed research database products and catalog at one time.

Databases Included in ISL OneSearch

Although there are nearly twenty-five subscription databases available for searching in ISL OneSearch, not all of the State Library's databases are included in our version of the Webfeat federated search engine. For a list of the research databases included in ISL OneSearch, go to the **Advanced Search** screen and scroll down to the **list of resources in alphabetical order**.

Remote Access to ISL OneSearch

Many of the research databases included in ISL OneSearch are accessible from anywhere Internet access is available. However, remote access to these resources is restricted to **current Illinois State Government Employees** with a valid [Illinois State Library card](#), and requires authentication by entering a 14-digit library ID number and a last name. Also note, that due to the licensing restrictions of some vendors, there are several research databases that are not available to users from outside the library. Visitors to the Illinois State Library are welcome to use these resources within the library. For further information regarding remote access to the State Library's research databases, visit the website listed below:

http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com/departments/library/what_we_have/gateway/remote.html

Searching ISL OneSearch

There are actually several methods for searching ISL OneSearch. A **Quick Search Box** is provided on the Illinois State Library's Gateway to Electronic Resources page. This option allows you to search by keyword for **journal articles and books, articles only, or books only**. Simply select your search option from the drop down menu, enter your search terms in the search box, and click on GO.

Search Multiple Databases with ISL OneSearch
[Advanced Search]

Articles & Books ▾

Articles & Books
Articles
Books Only

List of Research Resources at ISL

The **Advanced Search** page is comprised of a search box, a list of general subject categories, and a list of resources in alphabetical order. To begin your search, select a single category or multiple categories by clicking inside the checkbox next to each category. Research databases assigned to each category will be automatically checked in the alphabetical list of resources. By selecting the **All Resources** option, your search will be performed in all the databases included in ISL OneSearch.

You may also add or remove databases from the pre-selected categories for your search. Simply select a category, then scroll down to the **List of Resources in Alphabetical Order**. Next, check or uncheck specific databases to add or remove them from your search.

Search by category OR scroll down to select individual resources

<input type="checkbox"/> All Resources	<input type="checkbox"/> Education
<input type="checkbox"/> Articles	<input type="checkbox"/> Encyclopedic Works
<input type="checkbox"/> Articles & Books	<input type="checkbox"/> General & Life Sciences
<input type="checkbox"/> Arts & Humanities	<input type="checkbox"/> Government Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Biographical Information	<input type="checkbox"/> Health & Medicine
<input type="checkbox"/> Books Only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> News & Current Events
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business & Economics	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Sciences
<input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Affairs	

Go Clear

[A](#) | [B](#) | [C](#) | [D-E](#) | [F-G](#) | [H](#) | [J-L](#) | [M](#) | [N](#) | [O](#) | [P](#) | [Q-S](#) | [T-Z](#)

List of resources in alphabetical order

Select/Deselect all

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ABI/INFORM	Covers nearly every aspect of business, including company histories and new product development. Citations include abstracts and indexes of significant articles from nearly 1,850 current business and management periodicals.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Academic Search Premier	The world's largest academic multi-disciplinary database, Academic Search Premier provides full text for nearly 4,700 publications, including full text for more than 3,600 peer-reviewed journals. PDF backfiles to 1975 or further are available for well over one hundred journals, and searchable cited references are provided for more than 1,000 titles.

Once you have selected a category(ies) or an individual database, enter your search terms in one or all three of the search boxes displayed on the Advanced Search page. You may limit your search to items published within a specific **date range** and to **full-text** journal articles.

Enter search criteria

Keyword

And Keyword

And Keyword

Full-text articles only

Publication date:

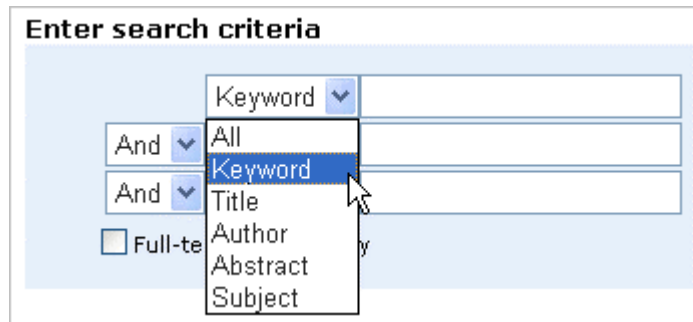
All dates Year range

From: To:

Search Fields

A drop-down list of search fields is also available for each search box. You may search ISL OneSearch using any of the following search fields:

- **Keyword:** the default search. Searches anywhere in the record.
- **All:** Searches all the fields available (varies by database)
- **Title:** Searches the title field only
- **Author:** Searches the author field only
- **Abstract:** Searches the abstract only
- **Subject:** Searches the subject field(s) only

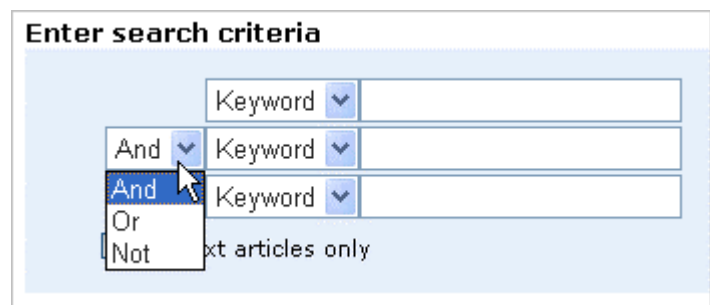


Please note that not all search fields are available in all databases. Therefore, unless you are looking for a word(s) in a specific field, it is recommended to use the default "Keyword" option.

Combining Search Terms with Boolean Operators

Searches of ISL OneSearch may also be expanded or narrowed by combining multiple search terms with Boolean operators.

- **AND** will narrow the search by combining the terms: *congress AND ethics*
- **OR** will broaden the search by allowing either term to be found: *college OR university*
- **NOT** ensures that certain terms will not appear in the search results: *education NOT special*



After you have entered your search terms and selected any search qualifiers (i.e., specific search fields, boolean operators), simply click on the GO button to initiate your search.

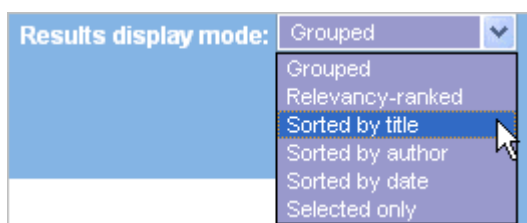


Search Results

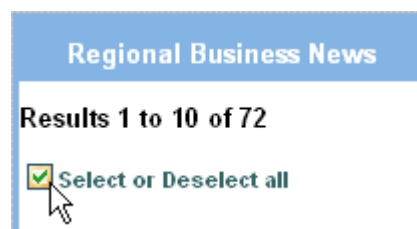
The number of hits returned from each database included in your search is displayed in a “scoreboard” located just below the search interface. Search results from the research databases with the fastest response times will be displayed first. Because ISL OneSearch is searching multiple databases, it may take some time for the federated search engine to return its results. You may click on a database name in the scoreboard box to jump to the records for that specific database.

Hits	Database
5	Health Source: Consumer Edition
415	Academic Search Premier
89	Periodical Abstracts
484	Newspaper Source
275	Military & Government Collection
159	Business Source Elite
1	Primary Search
14	Professional Development Collection
107	Wilson Select Plus
96	Regional Business News

The actual records retrieved from your search appear below the scoreboard and, by default, are grouped by the research database’s name. Results from each database appear separately in the results list. You may also sort records by relevance, title, author, date, and selected records only. Simply choose one of these options in the drop-down menu labeled **Results display mode**.



You may print, email, and save your results. However, to do so, you must have a record or records selected. If the results are grouped by resource name, you can select or deselect records from that specific research database by checking or unchecking the **Select or Deselect All** box located just below the database name and the number of results.

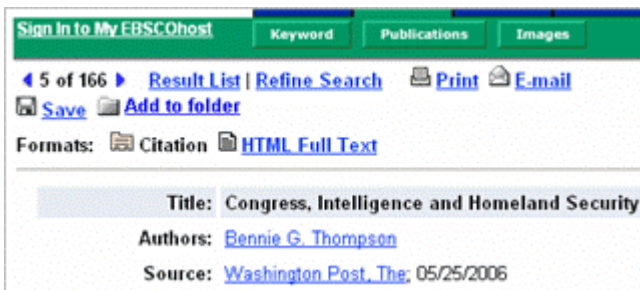
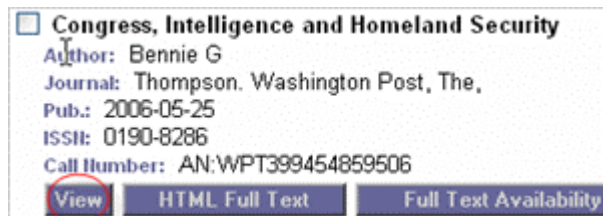


To select individual records in your results set(s), check the box located just to the left of each record.



You may also view individual records in their native database by clicking on the item’s **View** button. This action will retrieve the record in its original database and then display the record

from that resource in a new browser window. Some records may contain a button for Full Text. If this is the case, simply click on the button to display the full text in the native database.



If you wish to return to your set of search results in ISL OneSearch, minimize or close the new window displaying the record contents in the native database. Clicking on the browser's Back button will not return you to the results set(s) in ISL OneSearch.

Once you have selected a record or records from the results of your search of ISL OneSearch, choose from one of the following output options: **Print Results**, **Email Results**, and **Save Results**.



If you choose "Email Results", you will be prompted to enter a valid email address, subject and, if so desired, any additional comments that you would like to include in the email. To save your results you will be prompted for a format and a file name. If you do not have a bibliographic management program installed on your computer such as ProCite or EndNote, choose the **Save as Plain Text file** option.

Questions

For further questions regarding ISL OneSearch, please contact the Illinois State Library Information Line by telephone at (217) 782-7596 or by email at islinformationline@ilsos.net.