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Counseling Research Guide

- Shows databases available
 - Psychiatry Online includes the DSM-5
 - Counseling streaming videos
 - PsycNet platform (including PsycInfo, PsycArticles, etc.)
 - Mental Measurements Yearbook
 - PTSDPubs (formerly PILOTS)

Counseling & Psychology

Where to Search

For counseling topics, I generally search in three places:

- All EBSCO database search
- PsycInfo
- Google Scholar

The “Search Anything” box is not as helpful as the above three sources for very specific topics

Reviewing the Literature

- This is my handout on doing literature reviews. The last two pages deal with limiters available in PsycInfo.

www.tinyurl.com/JFLLiteratureReview

Google Scholar

- Google Scholar is particular good for finding specific articles by title and seeing who has cited a book or article.
- You can connect Google Scholar to our Liberty databases. Either we have the article or it will complete the form to find it.

www.scholar.google.com

www.tinyurl.com/JFLGoogleScholar

Library Resources and Teaching

- Here is a video I produced for online faculty
www.tinyurl.com/JFLFAC17
- It includes information on using EZProxy for off-campus access to our databases. It is important that links begin with the EZProxy prefix to access our subscription resources.

Graduate Student Research

- This is an 8 part – two hour video series I produced for graduate students teaching research skills and APA formatting. This was for the Education Department. When we update our website this summer, I will produce a series specifically for Counseling.

www.tinyurl.com/JFLEDDOCVID

Finding Instruments

- Here is my handout on finding and using instruments for quantitative research

www.tinyurl.com/JFLInstruments

- Note: Mental Measurements Yearbook only contains “commercially available” instruments – no “free to use” instruments

Sage Research Methods

- This has quotable sources on research methodology, both qualitative and quantitative.
- Particularly helpful are the “Which Stats Test?” and the Project Planner.

[Sage Research Methods](#)

APA Academic Writer

- Formerly APA Style Central
Academic Writer
- Includes sample APA papers for a variety of common uses including case studies, literature reviews, experiment papers, etc.

Nvivo Qualitative Data Analysis

- This software isn't provided by the Library, but is available for free download from Liberty
- It allows you to input interview transcripts, articles, etc. to search for themes

<https://www.liberty.edu/informationsservices/index.cfm?PID=41536>

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