Online Periodical Databases

Background:

- Online indexes/databases contain information about and, in some cases, the actual full text of journal articles from key periodicals in specific fields of study.

- Keep in mind, these databases will index a vast number of periodicals and materials that extend significantly beyond the print collections of the Evangel University libraries.

How to Access:

Access the database list from the library website and select a particular database or a link to all the databases provided by a certain vendor (such as EBSCO or ProQuest).

Bookmark the following link:

https://library.evangel.edu/az.php

If you are Off Campus and this is the first time you have tried to connect to an EU library database during your browsing session, you will encounter a login screen and will need to provide the same credentials as you would if trying to access your library account or make a book request in the online catalog. Enter the following:

- **Your Name**
- **Library ID.** Your Evangel student number (the number that appears in your student card’s barcode), followed by the letters “EU” (all caps). For instance, your ID may look something like this: **10002345678EU** or **40000000123EU**. If you need to verify your student number, the home page of your student portal account will have the full number listed near the top of the screen.
- **Password.** If you have not already created a password, you can do so by entering in a sequence of letters/numbers and clicking on "Submit." You will be responsible for creating and remembering your own password. If you forget your password, you can create a new one by selecting the "Forget your password?" option or contact the library’s Circulation Desk for help.
Many of the key online indexes licensed by EU are available through EBSCOhost so it will be helpful to become very familiar with EBSCO’s online interface and services. EBSCO can be accessed through the Internet by any EU student with an EU User Name and Password.

Once you have logged in to EBSCO, you will discover that there are several available databases. You may click on the name of a database or you can use the check boxes next to the name to select multiple databases to search at once.
**Tips for searching EBSCO:**

- Use “Search Options” to expand or limit the scope of your search. For instance, search results could be limited to only Full Text articles or only Scholarly/Peer-Reviewed publications.

- The results screen will provide you with menu on the left hand side of the screen with options to refine (or further narrow down) your search results. Options provided include:
  - **Publication Date**: Use the slider to, for example, narrow your results to articles published within the past five years.
  - **Source Type**: Limit the results to only include articles from academic journals.
  - **Subject**: You can select this to see a complete list of all subject headings attached to articles in your results list (be sure to click on the “Show More” link for the complete list).
If a journal article listed in your results is available in Full Text, that fact will be stated clearly and a link to the text will be provided.

If the AGTS library has a current, or perhaps a former, subscription to the periodical, a link will be provided to the EU catalog record for that journal that can help you determine if the needed issue is available in that library location.

All results will provide bibliographic details about the article and some may provide a brief description (abstract). Click on the article title to pull up a page that contains all available information.