

Biology 106-Library Research Session

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Outline of today's session:

Library's homepage: <http://www.usfca.edu/library/>

--Ignacio (use to locate books/documents/media (e.g. videos))

--Journal Finder (use to see if USF has print or online access to journals)

--Ask a Librarian (get real time or email assistance)

--Help! <http://www.usfca.edu/library/help.html>

--Links to Database Guides, Documenting Sources, Library terms, etc.

Getting started with library research:

Friendly reminder: All databases can be searched remotely

--Articles & Databases—by Subject—Biology

--Reference Sources

--Gale Virtual Reference Collection

--Grzimek's Animal Life Encyclopedia

--Journal and Newspaper Articles (at least 5 total references; at least 3 need to be scientific references; at least 1 needs to be from a peer-reviewed journal)

--Biological Sciences (links to holdings/full-text)

--APA Format

--MEDLINE (for basic animal biology) (citations/abstracts only)

--Journal titles are abbreviated. You need to find out what the abbreviation stands for before you can use Journal Finder to locate journal

--PsycInfo (covers animal behavior) (links to holdings/full-text)

--InfoTrac Onefile & ProQuest Research Library--APA Format (general databases with abstracts + full-text)

Start searching on your topics. All databases allow you to e-mail references/articles to yourself. While you're in the classroom, you can print for free!!