EBSCOhost Database

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Accessing the EBSCOhost Databases
From the USM Library homepage:
- Click on the Article Databases link.
- Using the dropdown menu select EBSCOhost.
On this page, you can select the database(s) that you want to search, or you can click on New Search. When searching from this page, any information searched will search through all of the databases in EBSCOhost.

Search Tips
When searching EBSCOhost, if you receive a message that indicates no results were found, you may want to refine your search terms and try running the search again. There are several options to narrow a search.

Boolean Operators - Boolean logic defines logical relationships between terms in a search. The Boolean search operators are and, or and not. You can use these operators to create a very broad or very narrow search.

- **And** - combines search terms so that each search result contains all of the terms. For example, education and technology finds articles that contain both terms.
- **Or** - combines search terms so that each search result contains at least one of the terms. For example, education or technology finds results that contain either term.
- **Not** - excludes terms so that each search result does not contain any of the terms that follow it. For example, education not technology finds results that contain the term education but not the term technology.

For scholarly papers, you will generally want to select the check box labeled “Scholarly (Peer Reviewed) Journals.” This will ensure that you only receive results that have been reviewed and certified by experts in whatever field the journal covers.
To find **entire articles** in electronic format, you should select the box labeled “Full Text.” This will return only results that consist of scans or copies of the original journal article, just as they would appear in physical form.

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