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PROQUEST DATABASES HELP SHEET

ProQuest contains databases on a wide range of subjects including business, current affairs, economics, literature, science, health, psychology and more. ProQuest databases include: **ABI/Inform Global, ProQuest Newspapers, ProQuest Psychology Journals and ProQuest Research Library.**

Searching

Click on a ProQuest database title (from the databases lists). The default search in ProQuest is the **Advanced Search**.

The image shows a screenshot of the ProQuest website's Advanced Search page. At the top, there are navigation tabs for 'Basic Search', 'Advanced Search', 'Topic Guide', 'Publication Search', and 'Marked List: 0 articles'. Below these, there are three search input boxes, each with a pull-down menu for selecting search criteria. The first box is empty, and the others contain 'AND'. Below the search boxes are 'Add a row' and 'Remove a row' links, along with 'Search' and 'Clear' buttons. Further down, there are options for 'Database' (set to 'Interdisciplinary - Research Library'), 'Date range' (set to 'All dates'), and 'Limit results to' (with checkboxes for 'Fulltext articles only' and 'Scholarly journals, including peer-reviewed'). At the bottom, there is a copyright notice for 2004 ProQuest Information and Learning Company, a 'Terms and Conditions' link, a 'Text-only interface' link, and the 'From: ProQuest' logo.





1. Type your topic terms in the search box(es).
2. Click the pull down arrow (after each search box) to choose the field you want to search, e.g. Citation and article text, Author, Publication title, etc.
3. Focus your search by using the Boolean operators, **AND**, **OR**, and **NOT** to broaden or narrow your results. Click on the pull down arrow (before each search box) and click on the Boolean operator you wish to use.
4. Use the **Date range** lists to specify publication dates for articles you want to include in your results.

5. If you want to include only full-text articles in your search results, check the **Full text articles only** box. To include scholarly articles in your results, check the **Scholarly journals, including peer reviewed** box. To see additional search options, click on **More Search Options**.

6. Click **Search**.

The **Search Results** screen displays items that matched your search terms.



-  indicates that a citation/abstract of the article is available.
-  indicates that a full-text version of the article is available.
-  indicates that the article full-text and graphics are available.
-  indicates that a PDF format of the article is available.

7. Click on a title to view the full-text of the article or click on the appropriate symbol to see the article in a desired format. You can email or print full-text articles and/or citations.

Additional Features

- **Topic Guide** allows you to find articles by searching a list of topics or browsing the Subject Directory. Enter a term in the search box and click **Find Term**. Scroll through the list to find the topic you want. Use the Subjects, Companies, People, and Locations tabs to focus the results. Click on View Articles.
- **Publication Search** allows you to easily find the latest issue or particular back issues of a journal, magazine, or newspaper. Enter the publication name in the search box and click search. Click the title of the publication to see a list of available issues. Click on an issue to see a list of available articles. Click on an article title (or appropriate format symbol) to view the full-text of the article.