

## **Path Tutorial - Module 5: Database Searching – Screencast Script**

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To search for articles through UNCG Libraries, click on “Databases” at the Libraries’ homepage: [library.uncg.edu](http://library.uncg.edu). You might start with one of our most popular databases, like Ebsco Premier.

Since we’re interested in campus recycling programs, we might do a search for recycling AND college OR university AND students. Ebsco Premier is a multidisciplinary database, which means that it has content from all different subject areas.

We get 233 results for our search, and as we scroll through this first page, we can see articles from popular titles like the New York Times, scholarly titles like Advances in Physiology Education, and trade publications like Waste & Recycling News, meant for people involved in the waste and recycling industries.

Ebsco Premier is a multidisciplinary database, but we might want to find something a little bit more subject-specific. Environmental Studies would be a good place to start with our Recycling topic, and one of the top recommended databases here is Environment Complete.

You may notice that Environment Complete looks very similar to Ebsco Premier. That’s because they’re made by the same company. However, if we do the same search, for recycling AND college OR university AND students in Environment Complete that we did in Ebsco Premier, we’ll get an entirely different set of results.

When we’re searching a subject-specific database like Environment Complete, we’re able to go more deeply into a specific subject area – in this case, environmental studies.

We have 110 results here, and just scrolling through, we can see that they’re from all different publications than we saw earlier – Resource Recycling, BioCycle, Materials Recycling Week, Waste Age, Local Environment, and more.

Just like with our other Ebsco databases, you can click on the title of an article to get more information about it. From here you can email, save, cite the article, or read it in HTML or PDF full text.

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