

Introduction to article searching in SportDiscus and psyc databases

Hi I'm going to show how to search for articles using the SportDiscus database

and also how to add in extra databases in case you want more results

Start from library.uncg.edu and click on databases

Choose S

Then scroll down to SportDiscus

Sportdiscus is a really great place to start if you're looking for article on sport or fitness topics

Now, if I try and click on this link and I'm off campus

I'll be asked to log in using my iSpartan account

That's just the same user name and password that I use for UNCG email

I'm interested in articles about motivation among teammates

But if I type all of that in, I'm only going to get results that use all of those words in that exact order

That would really limit my results

So here's what I'm going to do

I'm going to put only my main ideas in

I'll put only one idea per line

And this AND connector is going to search for results

where the author used these exact words in any order

By the way, spelling makes a huge difference

I can also limit by date

Some of these results look interesting

If I want to find out more about them, I click into the title

I see subject headings

And these are links that will lead me to other articles about this topic no matter what wording the author used

There's also an abstract that describes what the article is about
On the right side there are some useful commands
Permalink gives me a link that will get me right back to this page
I'm going to use this link instead of the link that my browser gives me
Also this cite command will suggest citations in several major styles
It doesn't always get them exactly right but it does a lot of the work for me
And over here on the left hand side if I want to see the full text of this article
If I see "view full text" then we have this article online
I'm going to look for a pdf
Let's look at the results list to see a few other outcomes
So sometimes I'll see linked full text. One click should open the article
Sometimes I'll see a check for full text link
If I don't see a "view full text" link and there's no print information
I can click Interlibrary Loan and log in with my UNCG computer account
So it's possible that you might want to find additional results
Click on choose databases
We have lots of different content sets that you could add in
This is a sports psychology question, so I'm going to select the psychology databases
If you'd like to explore these on your own, just click on the note next to each title to find out which
discipline or specialty each database is for
I do have to click the ok button to add these databases in
And this time, I get the same results from SportDiscus and additional ones from the Psyc databases

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This has been a brief tutorial about how to use SportDiscus to search for articles
And how to add extra databases in if I want to find other results
Remember if you need help you can always ask us
There's a nice chat box over here on the side of SportDiscus
There are also chat boxes throughout the library website

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