Resources for Doctor of Social Work (DSW) Students

USC Libraries: https://libraries.usc.edu


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Library Services

Interlibrary Loan and Document Delivery: http://libguides.usc.edu/idd
The interlibrary loan service gets materials not owned by USC from other libraries. Document Delivery service provides article and book chapter requests from USC-owned journals, books, and other materials.

Home Delivery: http://libguides.usc.edu/idd/home-delivery

Library Databases/Scholarly Sources

All databases: http://libguides.usc.edu/az.php
Access to databases listed below can be found in the scholarly sources section of the social work research guide or on the databases page of the library website linked above.

Social Work Abstracts: Subjects include but not limited to: homelessness, child/family welfare, AIDs, aging, substance abuse, community organization.

ProQuest Research Library: Multidisciplinary database. It is an excellent starting place for research for a paper, particularly if one isn't sure where to begin their research.

PsycINFO: Devoted to peer-reviewed literature of journal articles, chapters, books, dissertations and reports in psychology, the behavioral sciences, and mental health.

Grey Literature Sources

ABI/Inform: bit.ly/ABInform
Articles from leading business journals, magazines, trade publications and newspapers including the Wall Street Journal.

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PAIS Index: bit.ly/PAISIndex
Access to journal articles, government documents, and reports of public and private agencies relating to business, economic and social conditions, public policy and administration.

CQ Researcher: bit.ly/CQResearch
In-depth, unbiased coverage of health, social trends, criminal justice, international affairs, education, the environment, technology, and the economy.

PolicyFile: bit.ly/PolicyFileDatabase
PolicyFile includes information addressing virtually all aspects of public policy.

ProCon.org: procon.org
Nonprofit, nonpartisan public charity that has no government affiliations of any kind. Their purpose is to provide resources for critical thinking and provide information without bias.

Reference Sources: http://libguides.usc.edu/socialwork/litsearch

Credo Reference: a digital reference library that places a world of factual information at your fingertips. Containing a selection from 645 high-quality reference books from the world's leading publishers.

Oxford Bibliographies: Combining the best features of an annotated bibliography and a high-level encyclopedia, this cutting-edge resource guides researchers to the best available scholarship across a wide variety of subjects.

Encyclopedia of Social Work: an online tool that offers overview articles, on key topics ranging from international issues to ethical standards.

Google Scholar: http://libguides.usc.edu/socialwork/GoogleScholar
Find peer-reviewed articles, book chapters and theses from broad areas of research. Google Scholar connects you to USC's journal and database subscriptions through the Find It @ USC links when you set up your Scholar preferences.

APA citation information: http://libguides.usc.edu/APA-citation-style

Citation Managers: http://bit.ly/managecites
Citation managers allow you to save your references, organize them into folders and generate bibliographies.

Industry/Market Research Guide: http://libguides.usc.edu/industries

Data and Statistics Research Guide: http://libguides.usc.edu/data

Searching Solutions Research Guide: http://libguides.usc.edu/searching