

SLS 1101 **Library Research Methods**  
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**Some important questions to consider:**

- What is the assignment and why am I doing this research?
- What kind of information, how much, and when do I need it?
- What do I already know about my topic and can I apply what I am learning now?
- Did I completely answer my initial research question and support it with relevant resources?
- How can I best share my conclusions with others?

**To find a book (circulating or reference):**

- Visit <http://www.spcollege.edu/central/libonline/> >>> click on **#4 Library Catalog** >>> it helps sometimes to narrow your search for items located on the **Gibbs campus** or to a certain **format, date, and/or language** >>> conduct a **subject, title, author** or **keyword** search?

A search for **college drinking** within the **subject field** displays 1 result. Conducting the same search within the **keyword field** and only from 2000 to 2008 displays 16 results; however, some of these may not be “about” college drinking. If you have several results, then adding more specific keywords and/or an appropriate subject heading to your search can help to narrow down your topic [see NetLibrary search below].

Search by: Keyword  
Title  
Author  
Subject

college drinking

(Note: You are now able to search for all of our electronic books (over 58,000 titles) within our main library catalog!) However, using netLibrary will allow you to search within the Full Text of the electronic book.

**Note:** It is possible to request books from other libraries and have them sent to your main campus library!

St. Petersburg/Tarpon Springs Circulation	HF5381 .T2212 2006	Available	<b>Request</b>
Valencia/East	Circulation HF5381 .T2212 2006	Available	Request

Select Your Library

St. Petersburg College

Borrower ID:

PIN:

Log On Cancel

What are my ID and PIN? What about privacy?

**Borrower ID** = Student Number

**PIN** = Last 4-digits of Social Security Number

**Find Electronic Books via NetLibrary:** Visit <http://www.spcollege.edu/central/libonline/> >>> click on #5 Netlibrary >>> name =spc and password = \_\_\_\_\_.

Try a search for Subject: time management AND Full Text: study skills

Advanced Search

Search Terms

Subject  And

Full-Text  And

Keyword  And

Publisher

English

**To find articles in journals, magazines, newspapers and more:**

- Visit <http://www.spcollege.edu/central/libonline/> >>> click on #1 **Articles and Databases**. Here you will find several databases. (**Gale Power Search**, **America's Newspapers**, and **Academic Search Complete** are excellent first choices.) In some cases, you can simultaneously search more than one database!

**Gale Power Search:** provides users with access to all the Gale content in SPC's collection through one, single search query. Try a search for "dating violence"

Gale Databases

Find:

All Cross-Searchable Products  Selected Cross-Searchable Products

Results are broken down by type of resource.

Magazines (107) Academic Journals (359) Books (26) News (240) Multimedia (5) More Results

limit to:  full-text  with images

**America's Newspapers:** Provides access to full-text coverage of more than 800 major United States daily newspapers.

Try a search for Headline college drink\* AND All Text binge AND Date past 7 days.

**United States** (804 sources)

Headline  **Search**

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Sort by:

**Academic Search Complete:** Full-text resource containing information from a wide range of academic areas.

Try a search for SU Subject Terms **time management** AND TX All Text **academic achievement**

Searching: **Academic Search Complete** | [Choose Databases >](#)

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Results can be narrowed by subject and/or type of resource.

**Narrow Results by**

▼ Source Types

- All Results
- Academic Journals
- Magazines

▼ Subject: Thesaurus Term

- ACADEMIC achievement
- COLLEGE students
- STUDY skills
- PROCRASTINATION
- LAZINESS
- EDUCATION

[More >>](#)

**Research Tip:** Academic Search Complete will generate citations in APA, Chicago, MLA, and other styles!



### Finding information via the World Wide Web (WWW):

(Note): If you do research via the World Wide Web please consider the following:

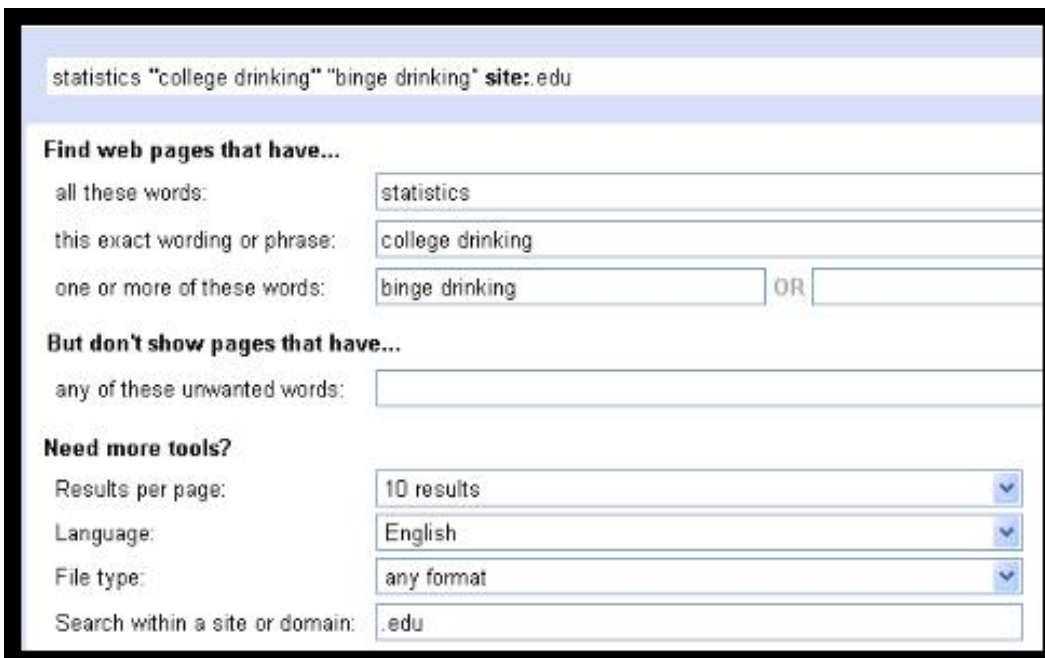
- Anyone can create a website.
- Can you clearly determine who has written the article? Do they have subject expertise?
- Is the website relevant to your research? Is it comprehensive? Up-to date? Biased?
- Can the information be verified?

Try a Google search for college drinking.





Only **820,000** results! Now, let's try an advanced search.

Try an advanced Google search ...




## Don't forget to cite your sources!

- Visit <http://www.spcollege.edu/central/libonline/> >>> click on #6 Citing Sources >>> this will help you cite your sources properly.
-  works in Firefox and can help you **collect, manage, and cite** your sources.
-  <http://www.worldcat.org> can cite sources too! Just copy/paste the title.



**Political Corruption and Presidential Elections, 1929-1992**  
by [T. Fackler](#); [T.-M. Lin](#)

☆☆☆☆  
(not yet rated)

Type:  Article, English

Publication: [JOURNAL OF POLITICS](#), 57, no. 4, (1995): 971-993

Database: British Library Serials

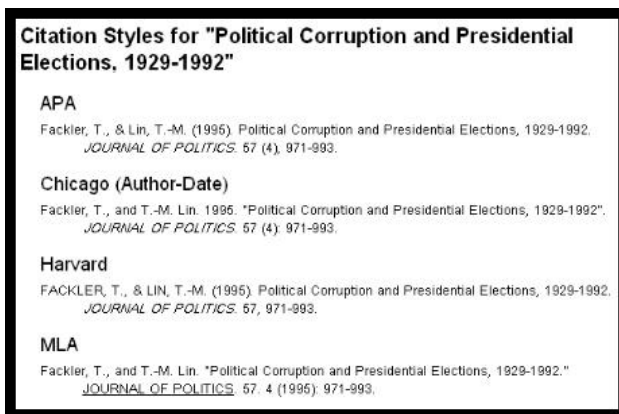
Other Databases: [ArticleFirst](#)

ISSN: 0022-3816

BL Shelfmark: 5040.900000

OCLC: 192646293

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**Citation Styles for "Political Corruption and Presidential Elections, 1929-1992"**

**APA**  
Fackler, T., & Lin, T.-M. (1995). Political Corruption and Presidential Elections, 1929-1992. *JOURNAL OF POLITICS*, 57 (4), 971-993.

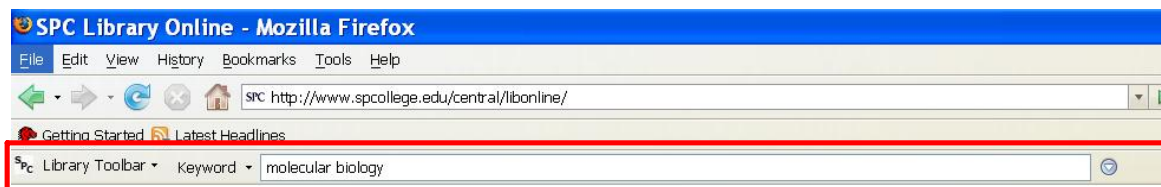
**Chicago (Author-Date)**  
Fackler, T., and T.-M. Lin. 1995. "Political Corruption and Presidential Elections, 1929-1992". *JOURNAL OF POLITICS*, 57 (4), 971-993.

**Harvard**  
FACKLER, T., & LIN, T.-M. (1995). Political Corruption and Presidential Elections, 1929-1992. *JOURNAL OF POLITICS*, 57, 971-993.

**MLA**  
Fackler, T., and T.-M. Lin. "Political Corruption and Presidential Elections, 1929-1992." *JOURNAL OF POLITICS*, 57, 4 (1995): 971-993.



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SPC Library Online - Mozilla Firefox


File Edit View History Bookmarks Tools Help

SPC <http://www.spcollege.edu/central/libonline/>

Getting Started Latest Headlines

Library Toolbar Keyword molecular biology

The toolbar can be found at: <http://www.spcollege.edu/SPG/WSPCL/toolbar.html>

Don't forget to  ... Librarians are available to help every person select and effectively use the library's resources within the library and even in cyberspace!