

## **Research Guide For Nursing/Licensed Practical Nursing/Nursing Assistant**

The Library provides resources to support the nursing programs. This guide is meant to help students effectively use those resources.

### **Library Website**

The **Library HomePage** acts as a menu to library resources and other useful information. It can be found at: <http://www.jalc.edu/lrc/library/>. It includes links to library resources as well as links to library services and to assistance in writing, reference list creation, and to e-mail and chat reference services.

### **Books**

The **Library Catalog** includes the holdings (books and videos) of John A. Logan College Library and the Media Distribution Center as well as the holdings of other libraries in the Shawnee Library System consortium. It can be reached from the **Library HomePage**. **Search tips:** Start with a keyword search. When you find an interesting book, look at the subject headings in the record. By selecting any one of those subject links, you can refine your search to include all books with that particular subject heading. **Examples of keywords for Nursing:**

<b>Nursing</b>	<b>Patient</b>
<b>Nurses</b>	<b>Medic* (* truncation symbol)</b>
<b>Nurs* (using truncation symbol retrieves everything beginning with NURS)</b>	

You can check on due dates and renew materials from within the catalog by clicking on “my account”, logging in using your barcode and pin, and viewing/selecting items within your account.

**Browsing:** You can also browse the shelves at the library. The books in the library are organized by the Library of Congress Classification system, which uses letters and numbers as a code for a subject. This code is referred to as the call number. The following LC classes will be helpful to you: **R – for Medicine** and **QM – for Human Anatomy**. Most books about nursing and related fields are shelved in call numbers beginning with **RT**. You can browse those shelves for additional books. Nursing books are shelved in the reference collection as well as the circulating collection. Some reference titles, along with their call numbers, that might be useful are:

**Encyclopedia and Dictionary of Medicine, Nursing and Allied Health: Ref R 121 M65**

**Mosby’s Pediatric Nursing Reference: Ref RJ 245 M675**

**Nurse's Book of Advice: Ref RT 41 N86**

**Professional Guide to Diseases: Ref RT 65 P69**

**Diseases and Disorders; a Nursing Therapeutics Manual: Ref RT 51 S66**

**MacMillan Dictionary for Practical and Vocational Nurses: Ref RT 21 F5**

**McGraw Hill Nurse's Dictionary: Ref RT 21 M324**

**Current Medical Diagnosis & Treatment: Ref RC 71 C97**

### **Borrowing from other Libraries**

As part of the Shawnee Library System, you may use your barcode and PIN to request material, via the library catalog, from other libraries in the consortium. Depending on availability, items usually are delivered within three days to one week. If you do not find what you are looking for in the Shawnee Library System or through our Online Databases, you can search the catalogs of other libraries using **WorldCat** or **I-Share**. To request materials from outside the Shawnee Library System, use the request forms in "**Borrowing from other Libraries**" from the Library HomePage or pick one up at the circulation desk. Please ask a Librarian for assistance if you need help.

### **eBooks**

**NetLibrary** is a searchable database of eBooks (digital electronic books) covering a wide variety of subject areas including a large number of books on nursing. You must come into the library to set up an account in NetLibrary before you can access the eBooks from off-campus.

**Credo Reference** contains dictionaries, bilingual dictionaries, thesauri, encyclopedias, quotations and atlases, plus a wide range of subject-specific titles covering every subject including medicine, nursing, and science.

### **Databases**

**Finding Articles:** Use periodical indexes and databases to locate articles, reports, and other documents on your topic. Most of these resources provide full-text articles, which you can print, save, or e-mail. We also have print subscriptions to some magazines and journals that aren't available electronically. If an article you need is not available at the John A. Logan Library in either print or electronic format, you can request the article from another library through Interlibrary Loan either at the Circulation Desk or using the forms found on the library's website by clicking on "**Borrowing from other Libraries**".

From the Library's HomePage, choose **Databases by Subject** and scroll down to **Sciences**. Access outside the library requires IDs and Passwords. They can be

obtained from the circulation desk and the reference desk each semester. These databases represent the most useful for research in the nursing field:

**Academic Search Complete** is a large multi-disciplinary database that provides full text for more than 7,100 journals, including full text for more than 6,100 peer-reviewed titles. Indexing is provided for over 11,000 journals and other publications. PDF backfiles to 1887 are available.

**CINAHL Plus with Full Text** is a comprehensive source for nursing & allied health journals providing full text for more than 750 journals as well as encyclopedia articles and health reports. Full text journals have no embargo (full text of the latest journals are available without any delays).

**Consumer Health Complete** provides content covering all areas of health and wellness featuring more than 700 physician-generated videos with full-text transcripts and 248 animations. In addition, *Consumer Health Complete* includes the *Clinical Reference System* and the *Lexi-PAL Drug Guide*, which provides access to up-to-date, concise and clinically relevant drug monographs.

**HealthSource: Consumer** is a collection of consumer health information, providing information on many health topics including the medical sciences, food sciences and nutrition, childcare, sports medicine and general health. *Health Source: Consumer Edition* provides access to nearly 80 full text, consumer health magazines.

**HealthSource Nursing/Academic** provides nearly 550 scholarly full text journals focusing on many medical disciplines. *Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition* also features the *Lexi-PAL Drug Guide*, which covers 1,300 generic drug patient education sheets with more than 4,700 brand names.

**MedLine** provides authoritative medical information on medicine, nursing, dentistry, veterinary medicine, the health care system and pre-clinical sciences with links to some full-text.

**PubMed** is a service of the [U.S. National Library of Medicine](#) that includes over 18 million citations from MEDLINE and other life science journals for biomedical articles back to the 1950s. PubMed includes links to full text articles and other related resources.

## Nursing Websites

Information on careers in the field as well as information on the latest research or news in the field can be found in websites. The Internet can be a valuable source for supplementing the information you have gathered from books and periodicals. It is important that you evaluate the information you get from the Internet to determine if it is reliable and useful to your research. The sites that follow represent only a few of those that are available.

## Nursing Associations

Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses <http://www.medsurgnurse.org/>

Allnurses.com Where all Nurses Come Together <http://allnurses.com/>

American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AAACN)  
<http://www.aaacn.org/cgi-bin/WebObjects/AAACNMain>

American Association of Colleges of Nursing <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/>

American Association of Critical Care Nurses <http://www.aacn.org/>

American Association of Managed Care Nurses <http://www.aamcn.org/>

American Association of Neuroscience Nursing <http://www.aann.org/>

American Holistic Nurses Association <http://www.ahna.org/Default.aspx>

American Nursing Association/Nursing World <http://nursingworld.org/>

American Psychiatric Nurses Association <http://www.apna.org/>

Association of Nurses in AIDS Care <http://www.nursesinaidscare.org/>

Association of Women's Health, Obstetric, and Neonatal Nursing  
<http://www.awhonn.org/awhonn/>

Emergency Nurses Association <http://www.ena.org/>

Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association <http://www.hpna.org/>

NANDA International North American Nursing Diagnosis Association  
<http://www.nanda.org/Home.aspx>

NAPNES National Association for Practical Nurse Education and Service  
<http://www.napnes.org/index.htm>

National Association of Neonatal Nurses <http://www.nann.org/>

National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses <http://www.orthonurse.org/>

National Black Nurses Association <http://www.nbna.org/>

National Federation of Licensed Practical Nurses <http://www.nflpn.org/>

National League for Nursing <http://www.nln.org/>

National Network of Career Nursing Assistants <http://www.cna-network.org/>

Nurses Organization of Veteran Affairs <http://www.vanurse.org/>

Oncology Nursing Society <http://www.ons.org/>

Sigma Theta Tau International The Honor Society of Nursing  
<http://www.nursingsociety.org/>

The Wound, Ostomy, and Continence Nursing Society <http://www.wocn.org/>

### Medical Associations

American Academy of Pediatrics <http://www.aap.org/>

American Medical Association <http://www.ama-assn.org/>

American Public Health Association <http://www.apha.org/>

Case Management Society of America <http://www.cmsa.org/>

### Nursing Resources

Center for Ethics and Human Rights American Nurses Association  
<http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/ThePracticeofProfessionalNursing/EthicsStandards/CEHR.aspx>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention <http://www.cdc.gov/> Wonder Online Databases <http://wonder.cdc.gov/> provide reports and analysis of data including Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR) from 1982 to the present.

Cybernurse <http://www.cybernurse.com/index.html>

Department of Health and Human Services <http://www.hhs.gov/> Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality <http://www.ahrq.gov/about/nursing/>

Ethics tutorial created by Boston College William F. Connell School of Nursing  
[http://www.bc.edu/bc\\_org/avp/son/ethics/](http://www.bc.edu/bc_org/avp/son/ethics/)

Evidence-Based Practice tutorial prepared by the University of Minnesota Libraries <http://www.biomed.lib.umn.edu/learn/ebp/>

Evidence-Based Public Health Nursing (EBPHN)  
<http://www.uic.edu/depts/lib/projects/ebphn/>

**Food & Drug Administration** <http://www.fda.gov/>

**Gannett Healthcare Group Publications** <http://www.nurse.com/>

**Health Finder (U.S. Department of Health and Human Services)**  
<http://www.healthfinder.gov/>

**Health Resources and Services Administration** <http://www.hrsa.gov/>

**Maternal and Child Health Bureau, HRSA** <http://www.mchb.hrsa.gov/>

**Medicare** <http://www.medicare.gov/>

**Medline Plus** <http://medlineplus.gov/> Health information from the world's largest medical library, the National Library of Medicine.

**Medscape Nursing** <http://www.medscape.com/nurses>

**National Council of State Boards of Nursing** <https://www.ncsbn.org/index.htm>  
Information about the N-CLEX nursing exam.

**National Guideline Clearinghouse** <http://www.guideline.gov/>

**National Institute of Nursing Research** <http://www.ninr.nih.gov/>

**National Institutes of Health** <http://www.nih.gov/>

**National Library of Medicine** <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/>

**Nurse Practitioner Central** <http://www.npcentral.net/>

**Nurse Theorists compiled by NurseScribes**  
[http://www.enursescribe.com/nurse\\_theorists.htm](http://www.enursescribe.com/nurse_theorists.htm)

**Nursing Care Plans, Care Planning Software and Case Studies Links compiled by the University of New Mexico Library**  
<http://web.nmsu.edu/~ebosman/nursing/careplan.shtml>

**Nursing Care Plans from RNCentral** <http://www.rncentral.com/nursing-library/careplans>

**PubMed Central** <http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov> PubMed Central (PMC) is the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH) free digital archive of biomedical and life sciences journal literature.

Virtual Hospital (University of Iowa Hospital and Clinics)  
<http://www.uihealthcare.com/vh/>

### Metasites Developed by Other Libraries/Nursing Associations

Brownson's Nursing Notes <http://members.tripod.com/~DianneBrownson/>?

Craig's Nursing and Medical Resources  
<http://www.duke.edu/~mclen003/medical.htm>

Cultural Competence Resources compiled by the State University of New York at Buffalo Health Sciences Library  
[http://libweb.lib.buffalo.edu/dokuwiki/hslwiki/doku.php?id=cultural\\_competence\\_resources](http://libweb.lib.buffalo.edu/dokuwiki/hslwiki/doku.php?id=cultural_competence_resources)

Hardin-MD University of Iowa Medical Library  
<http://www.lib.uiowa.edu/hardin/md/index.html>

Nursing Theory compiled by Clayton State University  
<http://nursing.clayton.edu/eichelberger/nursing.htm>

Public Health Resources on the Net  
<http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/PUBL/internet.html>

Resources for Nurses and Families <http://pegasus.cc.ucf.edu/~wink/>

Southern Oregon University Library <http://hanlib.sou.edu/instruct/nursing/>

### Selected Journals with full-text content

Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner Care <http://www.nurse.org/wa/arnpcare/>

Emerging Infectious Diseases Journal <http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/eid/index.htm>

Gannett Healthcare Group Publications <http://www.nurse.com/>

Journal of Community Nursing <http://www.jcn.co.uk/default.asp>

Online Journal of Issues in Nursing  
<http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/ANAMarketplace/ANAPeriodicals/OJIN.aspx>

Online Journal of Nursing Informatics <http://www.ojni.org/index.html>

RNWeb <http://rn.modernmedicine.com/>

**World Wide Wounds; the Electronic Journal of Wound Management**  
<http://www.worldwidewounds.com/index.html>

### **Online Dictionaries, Atlases, Encyclopedias, Manuals**

**McNulty's Lumen Anatomy Dissector**

<http://www.meddean.luc.edu/lumen/MedEd/GrossAnatomy/dissector/index.html>

**MedlinePlus has links to Dictionaries, Encyclopedias, Directories, and to Drug Manuals** <http://medlineplus.gov/>

**Merck Manual** <http://www.merck.com/mmpe/index.html>

**Other Merck Manuals** <http://www.merck.com/pubs/>

**RXList: the Internet Drug Index** <http://www.rxlist.com/>

### **Guides and tutorials**

The Library has a range of research guides that will help with searching resources, writing papers, and with references. They can be found by linking to **Research Guides** on the library's HomePage.