

NURSING DATABASES

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GALE VIRTUAL REFERENCE LIBRARY 249 Electronic Encyclopedias

1. From the Library Home Page
www.citruscollege.edu/library
2. Click **Gale** under **Quick Links**
3. From home, password: **citrus**.

MEDICAL ENCYCLOPEDIAS ON THE WEB

1. From the library home page, www.citruscollege.edu/library
2. Click on **Links by Subjects** under **Guides**
3. Click on **Health, Nursing**
4. Scroll down to **Online Reference Books**
5. Click on the **Medical Dictionary**. It is part of **Medline Plus** from the National Institutes of Health. Within that site, click on **Encyclopedia**. Click on a letter of the alphabet for your disease. Also click on **HealthTopics**.
6. Click **e-mail a Friend** at the top of the page.

7. Try the **Merck Manual (Home Ed.)**
<http://www.merck.com/mmhe/index.html>

Type your search term in the Search Window, in left panel, or click on the appropriate letter.

Citrus Books & AV <http://lib.citruscollege.edu>

Magazine and Journal Articles: Full Text

EBSCO: MasterFILE Premier and Academic Search Premier.

<http://search.epnet.com/login.asp?profile=web>

Together, these 2 databases offer over 4600 full text periodicals (some from 1980), plus over 1000 more that are indexed only.

1. From the library's Home Page, www.citruscollege.edu/library
2. Click on **EBSCO** under **Quick Links**.
3. From home: User Name: **citruscc**; Password: **library**.
4. Scroll down & check the boxes to add other databases, such as
 - **Alt Health Source**
 - **Health Source**
 - **CINAHL**
5. Click **Continue**, at the bottom or top of the screen, or press **Enter**.
6. Use the following examples to design the search strategy.
7. To e-mail an article, select the article's full text form, and then click the e-mail button at the top or bottom of the article.

1. Use singular nouns; EBSCO will search for both singular and plural.
2. Use "or" between synonyms in the same search window.
3. Use Library of Congress or CINAHL subject headings. To find them, pick a good article, and then look in the list of subject headings for that article.
4. Use * for all forms of a word. For example: therap* = therapy, therapeutic, therapist,...
5. Use ? to replace one letter. (wom?n)
6. Use TX All Text to get more hits.

Web Searching

Evaluating Websites

- Are there errors in grammar or spelling?
- What is the domain? (edu, com, net, org, gov)
- Who wrote the pages and is the author an expert?
- What does the author say is the purpose of the site?
- When was the site created and last updated?
- Where does the information come from?
- Why is the information useful for my purpose?

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1. ON CAMPUS, from the Library Home Page www.citruscollege.edu/library
2. Click on **Databases / Articles** under **Search**
3. Click on Learning Express #24.
4. Create your personal username & password on campus
5. To search from home, click on the off campus link on the library home page.

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CINAHL: CUMULATIVE INDEX TO NURSING & ALLIED HEALTH LITERATURE

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3. From home: User Name: **citruscc**; Password: **library**.
4. Scroll down & click on
 - **CINAHL**
5. Use the following examples to design a search strategy.
6. To e-mail an article, select the article's full text form, and then click the e-mail button at the top or bottom of the article.

The screenshot shows the EBSCO Research Databases search page. The search criteria are as follows:

- Find: nursing care plans in Select a Field (optional)
- and MS or multiple sclerosis in TX All Text
- and in Select a Field (optional)

The search is performed in CINAHL Plus with Full Text. The 'Limit your results' section has 'Full Text' checked.

Strategies:

- To increase the results, click the down arrow and select TX All Text
- To eliminate articles that have no full text, click Full Text

REFINING SEARCHES BY AGE, LANGUAGE, GENDER or SPECIAL INTEREST

The screenshot shows the refinement options in the EBSCO search interface:

- Journal Subset:** All
- Publication Type:** All
- Language:** All
- Gender:** Female
- Pregnancy:**
- Inpatients:**
- Outpatients:**
- Age Groups:** Adult, 19-44 years
- Special Interest:** All