

Nursing History: Getting Started...

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1. TOPIC

Avoid the "all-about" paper. Develop a topic that will allow you to synthesize ideas from various sources into a paper that is uniquely yours. Some suggestions for getting started:

- Reflect on what you are learning in class that is especially intriguing.
- Think about your hopes for your career path.
- Talk to your teachers.
- Do some pre-searching. Ask a librarian to help.
- Visit a writing tutor.

2. CINAHL

...What is it?

CINAHL is where you go to look up credible publications in nursing and other health disciplines.

Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature

- Literature = Credible published information in a discipline
- Index = Shorthand representation of ideas
- Cumulative = multiple years; long-term record.

...Where is it?

FROM LIBRARY HOME PAGE
RESEARCH: Articles and Databases
Databases by Subject
Nursing: CINAHL

...How do you use it?

Use the Subject Heading: "History of Nursing"
Combine it with terms that represent your topic.

- Go back into the list of CINAHL headings and look around.
- Try intuitive terms.
- Ask a librarian for help.

This is the main search screen for CINAHL:

The screenshot shows the EBSCOhost search interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs for 'Keyword', 'Publications', and 'CINAHL Headings'. A search box contains the text 'CINAHL Plus with' and 'Suggest Subject Terms' is checked. Below the search box are three input fields for 'and' searches, each with a dropdown menu for 'Select a Field (optional)'. A callout box points to the search box with the text: 'CINAHL Headings: How does CINAHL categorize information? EX: 'History of Nursing''. Another callout box points to the search box with the text: 'Search for articles: Use two search boxes joined by AND to search for a subset of 'History of Nursing.' OR Explore other terms and combinations. AND will always narrow your results.' At the bottom, there are 'Search Options' including 'Search modes' (Boolean/Phrase, Find all my search terms, Find any of my search terms) and 'Apply related' options (Also search within the full text of the articles).




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Need Help?? Ask A Librarian

CINAHL ARTICLE RECORD

Print E-Mail Save Cite (Sort of)

 Citation (MARC)



Rather than printing out every possibility as you go along, the folder allows you to mark things tentatively and then pick and choose from your list when you're done.

Title:	The legacy of post-war nursing.
Authors:	Lomas C
Source:	Nursing Times (NURS TIMES), 2005 Nov 1-7; 101(44): 20-1
Publication Type:	journal article - pictorial
Language:	English
Major Subjects:	History of Nursing Technology, Medical -- History War -- History
Minor Subjects:	Feminism -- History; Salaries and Fringe Benefits -- History; Technology, Medical -- Trends; United Kingdom
Abstract:	To mark NT's centenary year, Clare Lomas asks what aspects of modern nursing are owed to the changes in society and advances in technology of the 1950s and 1960s.
Journal Subset:	Core Nursing; Double Blind Peer Reviewed; Expert Peer Reviewed; Nursing; Online/Print; Peer Reviewed; UK & Ireland
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Publisher Info:	URL: www.cinahl.com/cgi-bin/refsvc?jid=275&accno=2009089261
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Accession Number:	2009089261
Persistent link to this record (Permalink):	http://ezproxy.tc3.edu:2048/login?url=http://ezproxy
Database:	CINAHL Plus with Full Text
View Links:	 Check for Article Full Text or to request article via ILL

The text of this article is not available in CINAHL. It may be in another database we have; or we may have to request it for you from another library. If you don't know how to proceed ask a librarian. It's not hard and you'll learn quickly to do it for yourself.

3. BOOKS

Because of accreditation requirements we spend more money on books for nursing than for any other program. That means there are a lot of beautiful, interesting and useful books here for you. To find them:

Return to the Library home page.

RESEARCH: Books and Media

TC3 Catalog

Advanced Search

- Start with the same headings you used in CINAHL.
Every database uses its own set of headings, but sometimes there is overlap.
- Newer books include the Table of Contents in the description. It's very helpful in determining whether a book is what you want. Maybe a chapter or two would be perfect.
- Find the Call Number for the book. A librarian can help you find the book.

To search for books in libraries all over the world, use WorldCat.

- WorldCat uses the same subject headings as TC3.
- If you find something useful in WorldCat that we don't have here in the library we will get it for you. There's no charge.
- To request books through WorldCat, you need to set up an account using your TC3Card number and your TC3 myMail address. A librarian can show you how.