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Italian 3XX3:
Culture and Media in Modern Italy
Objectives

1. Demystify interdisciplinary Research
2. Construct an effective search statement & use article indexes to locate journal articles on your topic
3. Find books & other media in campus libraries

Italian 3XX3
How do you choose a research tool or article database when your topic is interdisciplinary?
Interdisciplinary Research

Communications, Culture & Media:
- ComAbstracts
- Social Sciences Index

Women’s Studies:
- Contemporary Women’s Issues

Literature & Film:
- MLA
- Humanities Index

Canadian content:
- CPI.Q
- Canadian Research Index

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How would you search for this topic in an article database?

Women in contemporary Italian and Canadian Culture
The Search Statement

Keywords:
✓ women
✓ contemporary
✓ culture
✓ italian and canadian

Synonyms:
✓ contemporary, popular, pop

Truncate*:
✓ cultur*
✓ ital*
✓ canad*
The Search Statement

women and
(contemporary or popular or pop) and cultur*
and (ital* or canad*)
Using the Databases

E-Resources Database
http://library.mcmaster.ca/search/

ComAbstracts
Contemporary Women’s Issues
Books & Other Media

✓ MORRIS for books

✓ Lyons Instructional Media Centre for other media (http://lyons.mcmaster.ca/ TSH 314)
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Any Questions?

Thanks for coming & good luck with your seminars!