



## Writing 50 Catastrophe: Strategies to Locate Social Sciences Resources

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- A. **Begin in UCSB Libraries INFOSURF Web:** <http://www.library.ucsb.edu/>  
Use InfoStations in Electronic Arcade near Reference & Information Desk, first floor south, & Sciences Engineering Library Reference Area, second Floor central
- Choose a data base for your social sciences research topic.  
Brainstorm keywords & concepts to create a search statement, use synonyms. Then perform your research strategy search.
- B. **Sociology Research Guide**  
<http://www.library.ucsb.edu/subjects/guides/sociology.html>
- C. **Social Sciences Research Gateway:** [http://www.library.ucsb.edu/socs/Electronic journals \(help\)-Social Sciences Electronic Journals in UCSB Library: Strategy to Identify & Locate.](http://www.library.ucsb.edu/socs/Electronic%20journals%20(help)-Social%20Sciences%20Electronic%20Journals%20in%20UCSB%20Library%20Strategy%20to%20Identify%20&%20Locate.html)  
<http://www.library.ucsb.edu/socs/ejournalhelp.html>
- D. **UCSB PEGASUS Catalog System** - To locate books and journal holdings  
Perform a Basic Keyword search  
Search example: keywords: **catastrophe and social**  
For Journals/Serials, search **Title begins** with... (exact journal title)  
Example Title: **international migration review**

- E. **UCSB Libraries InfoSurf Web Indexes and Data Bases**  
<http://www.library.ucsb.edu/databases/>

1. **Expanded Academic Data Base** Sample Strategy  
From UCSB Library InfoSurf Indexes & Data Bases, Select **Expanded Academic**, Select **Advanced Search** from Left Column, Select **keyword**, type: **catastrophe and** (Boolean operator) **social** Limit to **refereed publications** and **After 1994** click **Search Button**. Your search retrieves **43** citations. Review and select relevant citations.  
Example: **Sixth** citation gives authors, article title, journal/serial title, date, volume, issue, & beginning page number:

Riolli, Laura, Victor Savicki, and Ariana Cepani. **Resilience in the face of catastrophe: optimism, personality, and coping in the Kosovo crisis.** *Journal of Applied Social Psychology* August 2002 v32 i8 p1604(24)  
Write down full bibliographic citation.  
To learn more information about citations, click on sheet icon with A for **abstract** and or extended citation.

Click on **UC-eLinks** button, **See if your campus has this..** to learn if UCSB Libraries have journal/serial and date, volume, and issue and call numbers you need. For this example, UCSB Libraries have **Journal of applied social psychology**, library call number **HM251.J52** Journal article date **August 2002 is bound** and shelved in **Davidson Library, fourth** floor central (uncarpeted). Then Close Calif. Digital Library MELVYL Display screen & Close UC-eLinks screen to continue to read and select citations.

To **Email** citations or full text when available to your email address, Click in box next to citation to **mark** record; You may **print**, **email** and **Download** citations or full text when available.

## 2. Sociological Abstracts Data Base on Cambridge Scientific Abstracts

Select **Advanced** Search in left column

Sample strategy: keywords: **catastrophic or disaster and** (Boolean operator)  
keyword: **social**  
Limit to **journal articles only** and **English only**;  
You may also **limit** by years, such  
as 1994 to 2004 Click **Search** button

You retrieve **281** records/citations. Select relevant citations.

Click **View Record** for full information including abstracts about journal articles. Example record number **14**:

**Kasapoglu, Aytul, and Mehmet Ecevit. Impact of the 1999 East Marmara Earthquake in Turkey. Population and Environment, 2003, 24, 4, Mar, 339-358.**

Click on **UC-eLinks** button to learn if UCSB Libraries have the serial/journal, and to locate the call number and holdings: print and online.

**F.** To locate journals/serials, search in **UCSB PEGASUS** in basic search: **title Begins with...** (**exact title** of journal/serial)

Example: Population and Environment Click search  
Click on Population and environment  
Click on Main Library **HB 848 .J68** to view holdings and  
learn if the volumes and years you need are not checked  
out

**G.** Use **Library Locations** (salmon) Brochure to locate call numbers and locations for Books and bound periodicals. Recent social sciences & humanities serials are located in **Serials & Newspapers** (current) **Reading Area**. For this example, Population and Environment, call number HB 848 .J68, bound volumes are located on 4<sup>th</sup> floor, central (uncarpetted).

**H. Bibliographic Style Guides** - Examples

Chicago Manual of Style. Main Reference & Info Desk Z 253 .U69 2003

MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers.

Main Reference & Info Desk LB 2369 .G53 1999

**I. Additional Sources**

1. **UCSB Proxy Server** <http://www.library.ucsb.edu/proxy/faq.html>

Provides remote access to UCSB Libraries data bases and electronic publications for UCSB students and faculty only: use your UCSB Umail (UCSB net id) & password

2. Inter-Library Loan Web <http://www.library.ucsb.edu/depts/access/ill.html>

**J. New Access and Assistance**

1. 36 Open Ports and Wireless network access - online now in Davidson Library, 4<sup>th</sup> floor south; instruction handouts available. Bring your laptop. No printers available.

2. For Assistance, Ask a **Reference Librarian** at **Reference & Information Desk**, First Floor South, or me.

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