**SOCIOLOGY FINDING AND CITING ASSIGNMENT**

**COLLEGE OF DUPAGE LIBRARY**

NOTE: You can work with other students on this, but please choose different items to work on. You have to take the responsibility (or blame) for whatever you turn in, so make it good!

PURPOSE OF THIS ASSIGNMENT

1. Learn how to find various items using online library resources.
2. Practice writing bibliographic citations.
3. Become familiar with the COD Library website and available resources.
4. Become familiar with the Library’s SOCIOLOGY research guide.
5. Learn how to find scholarly articles in the SOCINDEX database, along with books and videos in the LIBRARY CATALOG.

LEARN ABOUT THE LIBRARY

1. Make sure that you can find the COD Library homepage: [www.cod.edu/library](http://www.cod.edu/library)
2. Make sure that you can find the CITING SOURCES link on Library homepage, and the APA citation style examples.
3. Make sure that you can find the RESEARCH button at the top of the Library homepage.
4. Make sure that you can find the SOCIOLOGY research guide on the list of library RESEARCH guides.
5. Make sure that you can find the ARTICLE DATABASES section of the research guide.
6. Make sure that you can find the LIBRAY CATALOG section of the research guide.

PREPERATION

1. You will be using APA citation style for your bibliographic citations. Please find the CITING SOURCES page on the Library website, and review the examples given there on how to correctly write a proper bibliographic citation for various types of materials. Follow the style here, \*not\* the citations that you might find in the databases.
2. You can find a quick help guide for the SOCINFO database here: <http://support.ebsco.com/help/index.php?help_id=64>

ASSIGNMENT

Review the questions below.

Then think of a social topic to research, and figure out keywords to use in the database search. It is okay to have a broad topic, as a more specific topic might not turn up too many citations in a search.

Use the Library Catalog to find citations to books and videos on your topic.

Then find a research article in the SOCINDEX database that you find interesting and read through it, and take notes so that you can answer the questions below. Please fill out the question sheet online, or start a whole new page to put your questions and answers, and adjust the spacing between questions so that you have enough room to write a good complete answer –incomplete answers equal a worse grade. You can add more pages to your question sheet to hold all your answers you are not restricted to just one page.

SOCINDEX database searching steps

1. Put your first subject keyword in the first search box (e.g., depression).
2. Put your second subject keyword in the second search box (e.g., women).
3. Then scroll down below the search boxes, and click in the little boxes for “Linked Full Text,” and then “Peer-Reviewed”.
4. Then click on the SEARCH button.
5. Up will come a list of citations for you to review, the most recent should be at the top of the list.
6. When you see a title that looks interesting, click on the blue title. This will take you to the Citation/Abstract screen. Scroll down and read the article Abstract, which gives you an overview of the article’s purpose, research methodology, and conclusions.
7. If you decide that you want to read the entire article, scroll up and to the left, and click on the HTML or PDF link, to the left of the article title, to get the full text of the article.

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Please use A.P.A. citation style. You can either use a new clean sheet of paper, or use these pages.

Be sure to put your name on the material that you turn in. **No Name equals No Grade.**

1. LIBRARY CATALOG, part one
2. Please go to the LIBRARY CATALOG search screen.
3. Click on the left icon for BOOKS.
4. In the search box, type in keywords for your topic (e.g., population change).
5. Click on the blue search button to the right of the search box.
6. Up should come a list of book titles, in order of relevance to the topic word that you typed in. Find a book title that looks interesting and click on the book title.
7. A new page of information should now appear, and there should be PUBLISHED information there about the book (place: publisher, and year of publication).
8. Using APA citation style, please write a complete bibliographic citation for this print book.
9. LIBRARY CATALOG, part two
10. Please go to the LIBRARY CATALOG search screen.
11. Click on the icon for VIDEO.
12. In the search box, type in keywords for your topic (e.g., population change).
13. Click on the blue search button to the right of the search box.
14. Up should come a list of video titles, in order of relevance. Find a video title that has “eVideo” underneath it, and click on the video title.
15. When the record for the video comes up, click on the line for DESCRIPTION.
16. A new page of information should now appear, and there should be PUBLICATION information there about the video.
17. Using APA citation style, please write a complete bibliographic citation for this online video.
18. SOCINDEX database
19. Please go to the SOCIOLOGY research guide; click on ARTICLE DATABASES.
20. Please click on the link for SOCINDEX WITH FULL TEXT.
21. At the database search screen, please type in your topic keywords.
22. Please be sure to click in the search limiters section for Full Text and Scholarly Peer-Reviewed journal articles.
23. Click on the SEARCH button. Up will come a list of citations to review. Click on an article title that looks appropriate for your topic.
24. Up will come the CITATION/ABSTRACT screen for this article, and will have information about the article’s author(s) and publication SOURCE.
25. Using APA citation style, please write a complete bibliographic citation for this full-text online journal article.