



Finding Journal Articles

By Journal Citation or Reference

Many people find journal article citations in bibliographies. If you know the specific journal name:

1. Go to the Library Services website at lib.mnsu.edu/
2. Click on **Journals List**
3. Type the journal name (e.g. Journal of Popular Culture)
4. To interpret results, go to "Journal Availability Screen" of this handout

By Topic

If you have a topic, but no specific journal titles in mind, you want to select an appropriate database to locate articles.

1. Begin at the Library Services website at lib.mnsu.edu/
2. Try the **Articles** quick search box in the center of the page to search **Academic Search Premier**
3. For subject specific databases, use the following options:

3a. If You know the Database Name, click **Article Databases A-Z**

Some popular journal databases are:

Topic	Database
Business	Business Source Premier
Education	ERIC, Education Full Text
Health Sciences	Medline
Psychology	PsycINFO
Sciences	Science Direct

3b. If You Do Not Know What Database to Use

1. Click **Article Databases by Dept** on the Library Services homepage
2. Choose a guide related to your topic
3. Within a subject guide, use one of the databases in the first section to find journal articles

Locating an Article Within a Journal Database

Look for a **FULLTEXT** or **PDF** link in each journal record in a database. These links should retrieve the complete content of an article.

A fulltext article is usually available in one of two formats:

html: a single web page containing the document

PDF: a scanned document retaining the original layout of a print article

If an Article is Not Available in Fulltext

If the journal record has no fulltext option, click on the link in or near the citation labeled like one of the following:

1. **Click Here For Other Article Options**
2. **Get Article**
3. **Article Linker**

1. [An Ironic Fad: The Commodification and Consumption of Tattoos](#), *Journal of Popular Culture*, Dec2006, Vol. 39 Issue 6, p1035-1040. [10.1111/j.1540-5931.2006.00333.x](#); (AN 22978255)
[Cited References \[37\]](#)
[Click Here For Other Article Option](#)

Journal Availability Screen

A new screen will open with the article's citation and links to find journal article online or in paper.

The **Article** link goes to the fulltext article in another database

The **Date** show the range of fulltext content available

Memorial Library Holdings denotes the *print* copy; click the link to view the library record

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Search criteria: [Refine or alter criteria](#)

Article: An Ironic Fad: The Commodification and Consumption of Tattoos.
Author: KOSUT, MARY
Journal: Journal of popular culture
ISSN: 0022-3840 **Date:** 12/01/2006
Volume: 39 **Issue:** 6 **Page:** 1035

Content is available via the following links

Coverage Range	Links to content	Resource
04/01/1995 - present	Article Journal	Wilson Mega OmniFile
1 year ago - present	Article Journal	EBSCOhost EJS
	Journal	Memorial Library's Holdings

Journal of popular culture. <Periodical> 1967- available

MSU,M Memorial Library --Periodicals Collection (Non-circulating)--1st Floor AP2 .J6

Click this link to see what issues the Library owns

Note the location, call number, date, volume, and issue number to find the article in the Library

If Minnesota State Mankato Does Not Own an Article

If the journal availability screen above states, "**Sorry, no holdings were found for this journal,**" MSU does not have immediate access to this publication

Order the journal article from another library by submitting an Interlibrary Loan Request.

Sorry, no holdings were found for this journal.

Please see additional options below for finding this journal.

Additional options for finding full-text:

Submit InterLibrary Loan Request [Interlibrary Loan and/or Request](#)

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