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Online Database Services
To begin searching for articles online, go to the URL listed below for the database you want to search.

EBSCOhost
http://search.ebscohost.com/login.asp

Wilson Web
http://vnweb.hwwilsonweb.com/hww/login_patronid.jhtml

CQ Researcher
http://library.cqpress.com/cqresearcher

AccessScience

Historical Newspapers
http://proquest.umi.com/login

Oxford Reference Online Premium

Literature Online & MLA Bibliography
http://lion.chadwyck.com

GaleNet - InfoTrac
http://infotrac.galegroup.com/itweb/txshracd2522

Each database requires a User ID and/or password.
Contact reference staff by e-mail at reference_desk@laredo.edu or by phone at (956) 721-5274 or (956) 794-4261 for the necessary log-in information.

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Online Database Services allow you to search a large group of articles from newspapers, journals, and magazines. Using certain databases, you can also conduct searches in encyclopedias and reference books.

You can access database services online, but doing a database search is not the same as using a search engine like Yahoo! Or Google. The information you find in a database is as reliable and authoritative as the print versions of the magazines and journals. In other words, you can use them for your research papers and essays.

Off-Campus Access
To begin searching the online database services, go to the URL found in this pamphlet for the chosen database.

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Library Resources for Distance Learning Students

www.laredo.edu/library

- Online Library Orientation
- Instructional Guides
- Reference Assistance
- Off-Campus Access to Online Database Services

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Questions?
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Online Library Orientation

Online library orientation videos are available from the library homepage at:  
www.laredo.edu/library.

The standard orientation includes guidance through the basic principles of research, including Boolean search strategies, keyword use, limiting a search by full-text or peer-reviewed sources, and searching the Book Catalog and Online Databases.

Orientation videos currently available include:
- How to find a book
- How to find an article
- How to request books or articles from another LCC campus (Intra-library Loan)
- How to request books or articles from another library (Interlibrary Loan)

Printer-friendly PDF versions of the orientation videos are also available from the library website.

Instructional Guides

Instructional guides are available for the following academic and vocational disciplines:
- Business & Management
- Child Development & Education
- Criminal Justice
- English, World Literature, & Speech
- Humanities
- Nursing & Allied Health
- Science & Technology
- Social & Behavioral Sciences
- Vocational, Technical, & Industrial Trades

Go the library website at www.laredo.edu/library to access these research aids. Each guide contains helpful information such as how to find the best books in your subject area, sample search terms for use in the online book catalog or other databases, recommended databases, selected Internet resources, and preferred citation style.

Contact reference staff for more information.

Reference Assistance

The Laredo Community College librarians communicate with off-campus students and distance education instructors through e-mail and phone, providing them with information about the services and materials available to them through the library. Contact us!

By Phone:
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(956) 794-4261 (South Campus)

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