

Navigating Article Search Results in ANY Database

Ask yourself these questions, in order, about any citation for an article you want.
Stop when you answer yes. Keep going if you answer no.

<p>1. Is there a full-text link or PDF icon?</p>	<p>YES: Fantastic! Click on it. Then read it, print it, or email it. Stop here.</p>	<p>NO: Go to #2.</p>
<p>2. Do you see a gold UC-eLinks icon?</p> 	<p>YES: Good! Click on it, and then go to #3. (If it automatically opens the article for you, then stop here. Now you can read it, or email it.)</p>	<p>NO: Okay, then you'll need to open a new tab or window and go to cruzcat.ucsc.edu. Do a title search for the name (or source) of the journal. Click on the journal title and see if the volume and date you need are listed or would be covered by the "LIB.HAS" line. If so, write down the location and call #, and then find the volume on the shelf and read it or copy it. Stop here. If we don't have it at all, and you have 2+ working days lead time, then go to library.ucsc.edu/services/borrowing/interlibrary-loan to order a scanned copy from another library.</p>
<p>3. Now is there a link under "Get it online"?</p>	<p>YES: Excellent! Click on the link, find the article, and read it, print it, or email it. Stop here.</p>	<p>NO: Go to #4.</p>
<p>4. Do we have the journal in print? Click on "Check the UCSC Catalog: CRUZCAT" link.</p>	<p>YES: Nice! Click on the journal title and see if the volume and date you need are listed or would be covered by the "LIB.HAS" line. If so, write down the location and call #, and then find the volume on the shelf and read it or copy it. Stop here.</p>	<p>NO: If it says "Your entry ... would be here" then we do not subscribe to that journal. To be absolutely sure, also try a title search in Cruzcat for the name of the journal. Then check for the volume and date that is in the article citation. Still no? Go to #5.</p>
<p>5. Do you have time to wait for it to come from another library (about 2+ working days)?</p>	<p>YES: Great! Click on the "Request this from another library" link. Fill out the info on the Request form. You'll receive an email with a link to the article when it has been scanned. Stop here.</p>	<p>NO: Go to #6.</p>
<p>6. Are there other articles in the results that might work for you?</p>	<p>MAYBE.... Take a look at your results list more closely and see if any others would do. Make sure to look at any abstracts (summaries) to see how relevant they might be.</p>	<p>NO: Tip: Look at the subject headings, terms, or descriptors that are used in the results list. Try searching those or try different keywords or different combinations of keywords. And go to #7.</p>
<p>7. Are you out of ideas and need more help?</p>	<p>YES: See box to the right for info (and on the back) on how to reach us. We live for this stuff. ☺</p>	<p>In-person help (other hours by referral): McHenry Library: M-F 1pm-5pm Science & Engineering Library: M-F 11am-3pm 24/7 online chat with librarians on library.ucsc.edu page</p>

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