



## How to Find Nursing Journals in the MCC Databases

1. Connect to **Blackboard**.
2. Click on the **Library** tab
3. Select **Electronic Resources** from the menu at the left
4. **Login** to your account.

There are 3 search strategies:

1. From the resources list select **EBSCO** and scroll down the list of databases and click on **CINAHL**

- Enter your search terms in the FIND box.
- Limit your search as indicated
  - **Local holdings for Middlesex Community College,**
  - **Linked Full Text,**
  - **Year of Publication (2004 to 2010) and**
  - **Journal subset: nursing**
  - Click on search.

Limit your results:

Local holdings for Middlesex Community College

Linked Full Text

References Available

Publication Year Yr. [ ] to Yr. [ ]

Published Date Month [ ] Yr. [ ] to Month [ ] Yr. [ ]

Abstract Available

Publication [ ]

Peer Reviewed

Journal Subset Nursing

Publication Type Journal Article

The search results will be either:

- **AVAILABLE IN THE MCC LIBRARY** for journals that the library owns. The library staff can help you find these journals and you can photocopy the articles (.10 per page)
- **PDF OR HTML full-text** for articles in other EBSCO databases. Click on the **FULL-TEXT** link.

2. Go back to the top of the screen and click on the choose databases tab. Check off **Academic Search Premier** and **Health Source: Nursing/Academic Edition** and delete the checkmark in front of **CINAHL**.

Click on **CONTINUE** at the bottom or top of the screen.

Using the basic search screen:

- Enter your search terms in the **FIND** box
- Check the option for **full-text**.
- Enter the **years of publication** that you can use (2003 to 2008).
- In the **publication field** enter **nurs\*** (this will limit your search to nursing journals)
- Now click on the **search** box.

*Your search should retrieve a list of citations (title of article, author, journal title, date, volume, number and page). Most nursing journals have the word nurse or nursing in the title. However, there are exceptions: RN, AORN Journal, etc. If you are not sure that the source is a nursing journal, ask the librarian. Click on **HTML FULL-TEXT** or **PDF FULL-TEXT** to see the complete article.*

**3. Full-text nursing journals can also be found in Gale databases. Go back to the Electronic Resources page and choose Gale instead of EBSCO.**

- From the database list select **Expanded Academic ASAP** and **Health Reference Center Academic** and click on **CONTINUE**.

*In the Nursing LibGuide, these databases will be pre-selected for you.*

- **Click on “Advanced Search”**
- Enter your search into the **FIND** box
- Limit to **documents with full-text**.
- In the **publication date** field enter 2004-2009
- In the **publication title** field enter **nurs\***.
- Click on **search**.

For additional assistance email a **reference librarian** or telephone the Lowell Campus at 978-656-3005.