



Research Databases 7: An Introduction to GALILEO Quick Search

Quick Search

GALILEO Quick Search is a federated search engine that allows you to search multiple databases simultaneously. Comprehensive results are displayed in an easy-to-navigate list.

A basic search can be executed from the Quick Search box on the GALILEO home page.

- Enter a search term.
- Leave the subject category default to “General Topics” or click the down arrow to choose another category.
- Click the Search button.

Results Page

2- List of results

3- Search again

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- View databases that have returned results and number of hits.
- Order of resources is determined by the speed with which they return results, so the list may vary with each search.

2 – List of results

- By default, results are grouped by database. To list results by date, relevancy, or other ranking, use the “Results display” pull-down menu
- Click “View” to see the article or abstract. (Some databases also use “HTML FullText,” “PDF Full Text,” or other wording.)

3 – Search Again

- Edit search term to retrieve new set of results.
- Select a new category to search a different set of databases.
- Check the “Full-text articles” box to retrieve more full-text articles. Results will still contain abstracts and citations that do not link to full text.
- Click on “Find Related Terms” for suggested alternate search terms.
- Click on “Advanced Search” for more search options.

How do I perform a Quick Search?

Here are three simple steps to perform a basic Quick Search:

- Enter a search term in the Quick Search box on the GALILEO homepage.
- Select a subject category. Choose the default "General Topics" or click the down arrow to choose another category.
- Click the Search button.



Your search will be launched and a result screen will appear. For more refined searching, choose the advanced search link from the homepage or the Quick Search result page.

How do I find a specific Database (e.g. Academic Search Premier, MasterFILE Premier, Research Library)

There are three ways to reach a specific database without using Quick Search.

1. Enter the name of the database in the "Find a database by name" box under the "Find Databases" heading. Click on the desired resource in the resulting database menu.
2. Click on the gold "Databases A-Z" tab and locate the desired resource in the alphabetical database menu.
3. Click on the appropriate subject category tab then select a subcategory or the category's A-Z listing to reach the desired resource.