

Scholarly Articles: What can I expect to find?

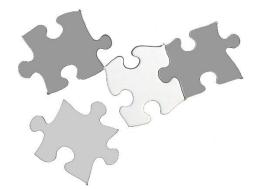
Looking for scholarly or peer-reviewed articles for an assignment?

First it is important to consider the types of information conveyed in scholarly or peer-reviewed articles.

	Scholarly articles:	Title examples:	Alternatives:
PURPOSE	Usually convey the results of new research, studies and/or experiments, or analyze existing research in a new way.	"Survival and Breeding of Polar Bears in the Southern Beaufort Sea in Relation to Sea Ice." "Searching for Schizophrenia in Ancient Greek and Roman Literature: a Systematic Review." "Tobacco Cessation via Public Dental Clinics: Results of a Randomized Trial."	Looking for facts or background info? Try encyclopedia entries or other reference sources. Looking for opinion pieces? Try popular articles from magazines or newspapers.
SCOPE	Usually address a very specific research question. May compare as few as 2 variables, especially in the sciences.	"Harry Potter's Provocative Moral World: Is There a Place for Good and Evil in Moral Education?" "The Effects of Maternal Relationships on Physical and Psychological Dating Violence." "A Study on the Effect of the Duration of Subcutaneous Heparin Injection on Bruising and Pain."	Looking for an introduction or overview on a broad topic? Try encyclopedias or popular articles from magazines or newspapers.
AUDIENCE/ LANGUAGE	Intended audience is generally other scholars in a specific field of study (i.e. modernist literature, neurobiology, early childhood education). Language can include subject-specific jargon.	"Seafarer Socialism: Pound, "The New Age," and Anglo- Medieval Radicalism." "Constructivism Does Not Only Happen in the Individual: Sociocultural Theory and Early Childhood Education." "An In Vivo Biosensor for Neurotransmitter Release and In Situ Receptor Activity."	Looking for articles that address a more general audience? Try popular articles from magazines or newspapers.







How can I find scholarly articles on MY TOPIC?

Keep in mind that research is about investigation. It is helpful to start with your topic in the form of a question that could be answered by research.

Avoid looking for the single, magical article that completely answers your research question and ignoring other articles. If someone else has already written what you have to say, why write it again?

It takes multiple sources to build an argument, and each serves as a **piece** contributing towards this goal. Many of the scholarly articles that you use may only relate to one component of your topic question.

Торіс	Possible Search Terms	Scholarly Articles That Could Inform an Argument
What economic impacts would the legalization of marijuana have in the United States?	marijuana, drugs, drug policy economic, cost, price, value legalization, laws, prohibition	 "Prohibition versus Legalization: Do Economists Reach a Conclusion on Drug Policy?" "The Impact of Marijuana Law Enforcement in an Economic Model of Crime" "What Drug Policies Cost. Estimating Government Drug Policy Expenditures"
How does parental involvment impact elementary student success?	parental, parents, home involvement, participation student, elementary, school success, outcomes, achievement	"Examining the Relationship Between Parental Involvement and Student Motivation." "Interactive Homework: A Tool for Fostering Parent–Child Interactions and Improving Learning Outcomes for At-risk Young Children." "The Links Between Parent Behaviors and Boys' and Girls' Science Achievement Beliefs."
What triggers the autoimmune response that causes type 1 diabetes?	type 1, diabetes, diabetics trigger, cause, risk autoimmune, immune, immunology, genetic, viral	"Role of Innate Immunity in Triggering and Tuning of Autoimmune Diabetes. " "Immunology and Genetics of Type 1 Diabetes." "Can Childhood Viral Infection Protect from Type 1 Diabetes?"

