

Locating e-journals at USC

1. Go to <http://www.usc.edu/ejournalstatoz>.

Use the pulldown menu in the upper left portion of the screen to choose either “Title begins with” (the default) or “Title contains all words.” In the search box, type in the words appropriate to the type of search you have chosen. Click on SEARCH or press RETURN. If USC provides access to the journal, that access will usually show up in your search results. Please note that, for various reasons, USC’s access to the volumes of the journal may be more extensive than indicated in any search results. Click on the name of the journal to go directly to the journal, where there will be more current information about full-text availability.

If you get no search results, then

2. Use the pulldown menu again to choose another search method.

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3. Try these options.

- a. Google.com can be quite useful, either through accessing the publisher’s website or through accessing the journal’s website. Simply type in the name of the journal. Many journals to which USC subscribes can be accessed through Google even though the journals don’t appear in the USC database.
- b. Google Scholar is useful for locating a particular article when you don’t know the name of the journal.
- c. <http://www.ulrichsweb.com/ulrichsweb/>, or Ulrich’s, typically indicates whether or not a journal is available online at all, and supplies information about the online vendor. This information is general rather than USC-specific. Ulrich’s is also useful because this database includes the journal’s ISSN (International Standard Serial Number). With this number, you can search USC’s database using “ISSN equals” from the pulldown menu (see step one above).
- d. If the journal is either a medical or a biology title, try Helix, the catalog of USC’s medical library at http://was.usc.edu/resources/hsl/lists/journal_A.php.

****USC’s HOMER is not recommended for locating electronic journal content.****

Copies of this document are available at the circulation desk and at the reference desk; an downloadable version is posted at <http://www.usc.edu/libraries/locations/science/>.

For additional information or to request that USC acquire an electronic journal, please contact the appropriate subject specialist. A listing of USC subject specialists can be found at <http://www.usc.edu/libraries/subjects/>. You may also contact Charlotte Crockett (crockett@usc.edu).