LIBRARY WEBSITE NAVIGATION EXERCISES

» Can you successfully use the Syracuse University Libraries web site https://library.syr.edu to identify and access the following information? These seven mostly elementary (but not necessarily easy) questions each represent a concise opportunity for self-assessing your aptitude at navigating some of the Library’s core research starting points. If any of the fundamental skills these represent create repeated roadblocks for you during an actual research situation, consider contacting Michael Pasqualoni, the political science librarian, at mjpasqua@syr.edu (315) 443-3715:

I. Current & back issues of electronic versions of the journal Political Psychology?

II. A set of databases the Library offers for conducting research in political science?

III. A set of databases the Library offers focusing on news and newspapers sources?

IV. A set of recently published book titles within the SU Libraries collection that are about, or otherwise reference, the U.S. political movement known as the tea party?

V. A set of political science scholarly journal articles that discuss international affairs strategy of recent U.S. Presidential administrations for relations between the United States and North Korea, in light of nuclear weapons proliferation concerns? *hint: for purposes of this exercise - select a database to accomplish this task, and not the Library’s SUMMON search tool (although both techniques are often effective).

VI. A list of top political science scholarly journals, ranked according to what is known as “impact factor.” *hint: begin by using a database called “Journal Citation Reports.”

VII. A set of scholarly articles (published 1999 or after) that have all cited this 1999 article in their bibliographies/lists of works cited:


Additional Reminder - you can visit the political science librarian’s online subject guide for political science at: http://researchguides.library.syr.edu/polisci

Caveat: Librarian subject guides are not a substitute for https://library.syr.edu, but are intended to complement that larger site.