

# **Religion 401: Seminar 2004**

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The purpose of this guide is to provide the student in **Religion 401** with a starting place for doing research. It gives the student a strategy for finding information on Religion using print, electronic and Internet resources. We encourage you to seek further help at the Reference Desk or contact **Ethel Fraga**, Religion Department Liaison, for a research consultation appointment..

**ELIZA**, the Wallace Library's online catalog, available from the Library Home Page, is the "key" to finding information in the Wallace Library. Books, periodical titles, audiovisual material, special collection items, and interactive multimedia are all catalogued in **ELIZA**.

### **Keyword searching Issues:**

#### 1. Boolean Searching

A. **dance religion** as a Boolean "AND" search.

B. Marking titles

C. Saving marked records

D. Extended display feature

E. Exporting to **EndNote**

#### 2. Truncation

A. Enter "myth\* ritual" as a Boolean, truncated search.

B. How many hits do you get?

C. Double click "Myth and ritual in the Plays of Samuel Beckett".

D. Note subject headings for this entry.

E. Double click "Myth in Literature". How many hits do you get?

F. Mark any 2 titles.

G. Save these marked records.

H. Export your saved list.

I. Export saved list to **EndNote**.

## SELECTED SOURCES

Good places to begin research. Also browse in nearby call number locations for additional material.

1. **Encyclopedia of African American Religions** Leaders, groups and issues  
Ref BR 563. N4 E53 1993
2. . **Encyclopedia of Religion**(16 vols.) A universal study of religion from Paleolithic times to the present. Ref BL 31. E46 1986
3. **The Golden Bough** (16 vols.) A general work on “primitive superstition and religion”.  
STACKS: BL310 F7 1966
4. **Historical Dictionary of Buddhism** An introduction to Buddhist literature, beliefs and concepts for Westerners Ref. BQ 130. P74 1993
5. **Index Islamicus** A bibliography of books, articles and reviews on all aspects of Islam and the Muslim world. Ref. DS 44 .Z9 154
6. **New Catholic Encyclopedia** (15 vols. + supplements) International, historical, and comprehensive coverage of Catholicism Ref. BX 84. N44 (1967-1996)
7. **Oxford Dictionary of the Jewish Religion** Beliefs, practice, ethics and culture of Judaism Ref. BM 50. O94 1997

## Guides to Research and Writing

**A Pocket Style Manual** Clear examples for MLA, APA and Chicago-Style citation.  
PE 1408. H 26 2000 (Permanent Reserve)

**Guides to Citing Sources** A link from the Electronic Resources page of the Library site to helpful Internet sites. (Note especially Dartmouth College site)

## INDEXES/DATABASES

### From OVID:

**Wilson Humanities Abstracts** Indexes periodicals in all the humanities including religion and philosophy. 1984-.

1. At top of page, note types of searches possible.
2. Search for **ancestor worship**.
3. Check “Library Holdings” on Blom, Deborah ..... article.
4. Check “Results Manager” for ordering article through ILL.
5. Check “Library Holdings” for Takacs, Jeff article.
6. Note date ranges for paper, JSTOR and CUP holdings. Compare to Tabacs date.
7. Select first 3 articles.
8. Scroll down to **“Results Manager”**.
9. Select “Complete Reference” to transfer complete bibliographic record.
10. “Display” “selected citations” to see if ISSN appears. (Before “Publication Year”). If not, ask Ref. Librarian to introduce you to “JAKE” to avoid delays in ILL and to insure that you have complete info for **EndNote** entries. <http://jake.med.yale.edu/search>
11. Select “Direct Export” and “Save” to export citations into **EndNote**.

## **ATLA Database**

**ATLA** is a scholarly, bibliographic database. It covers every aspect of religion and religion as it impacts on social issues. If Wheaton does not own the items indexed, they may be requested through ILL.

1. From the library home page select “**Electronic Resources**” and use the “**subject list**” to find **Religion** databases and then select **ATLA**.
2. From the “**ATLA Database Menu**”, select “**ATLA 1949-2002**”, and then click on “**Start Searching**” top right.
3. Click on “**Change Display**” and under “**Fields to Display**” select “**Complete Record**”. Hit “**OK**” top right.
4. Enter “**Episcopal Church and homosexuality**” and hit search. How many hits? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Follow “**Innovative Opac Weblink**” from items 1-4. Which items are owned by Wheaton?
6. Mark results 1-4 by clicking the box to left of the numbers.
7. Go to the 3 icons on the right and select “**Print**”.
8. Check to see that you’re printing only “**marked records**” and “**complete**” versions of those records so that you’ll have all the info you need.
9. Click the “**Preview**” button to see what you’ll be printing.. These printed lists will be useful in ordering items from ILL.
10. Go back to your list of results and e-mail your marked records to yourself.
11. Go to the Wallace Library home page. Click on “**Online Request Forms**”. Bring up the ILL form for books or periodicals and check the info needed to order from ILL electronically
12. Return to results. Save and export to EndNote.

## **JSTOR**

Browsing JSTOR

Searching JSTOR (evangelical and America)

Access the Religion journals within JSTOR; not available through ELIZA or ATLA yet because added to JSTOR recently.

## **LIAISON LIBRARIAN**

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