Student Success Strategies

To do a search that covers most of the library book & article resources try Summon
http://cuw.summon.serialssolutions.com

To learn more please watch this 2 minute video Introducing Summon

For an explanation of what a scholarly or peer reviewed journal article is and how to find one please watch this 3 minute video Scholarly & Peer reviewed journals

Tips for selecting search terms in Summon:

- Use college level vocabulary
- Use only the keywords
- Using quotation marks will keep terms together
- The word AND will be assumed between any terms not in quotation marks

Example Searches

“college students” “time management”    “college students” “study habits”
“college students” “test taking skills”  “college students” “financial management”

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E-Book resources: (The contents of these collections can be searched using Summon)

Ebrary and EBSCO eBooks are searchable collections of electronic books on a variety of subjects, available to CUW students, faculty and staff.

Topical research:

Opposing Viewpoints in Context (Gale) - Covering today’s hottest social issues. Includes pro/con viewpoint essays, topic overviews, primary source documents, biographies of social activists and reformers, court-case overviews, periodical articles, statistical tables, charts and graphs, images and a link to Google Image Search, and podcasts including weekly presidential addresses and premier NPR programs.
Dictionaries & Encyclopedias:

**Credo Reference**  An easy to use tool for research projects and homework. A giant online collection that searches hundreds of encyclopedias, dictionaries, thesauri, quotations and subject specific titles as well as 200,000+ images and audio files and nearly 100 videos.

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