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INFORMATION SEARCH PROCESS

Search Process

Book Resources (searching LIBROS-WorldCat Discovery)

Periodical Articles (searching online databases)
Accessing LIBROS (WorldCat Discovery)

Access the Library web site at: [http://losalamos.unm.edu/library/](http://losalamos.unm.edu/library/)

Under **Frequently Used Databases**, click on **LIBROS (WorldCat Discovery)**

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**Book Resources – Searching LIBROS (WorldCat Discovery)**

Perform keyword searches in **LIBROS (WorldCat Discovery)**

- Keyword searches will lead you to:
  - Your assigned work of literature
  - Critical/analytical resources about your assigned piece of literature

By default, you will be searching only the UNM-Los Alamos collection.

Evaluate critical resources for relevance by browsing contents and indexes for information related to what you are looking for.
Book Resources at other libraries worldwide (Interlibrary Loan)

Perform appropriate keyword searches in LIBROS *(WorldCat Discovery)*

Select “Libraries Worldwide” to identify books available in libraries other than UNM-Los Alamos

- If a source is found that is not at UNM-LA:
  - Click on the “Request through Interlibrary Loan” button in the catalog record for the source.
  - Select “request a book” on the resulting screen.
  - Fill out and submit the online interlibrary loan form.
  - Items requested through interlibrary loan can take a week or more to arrive.

Search Online Periodical Index Databases

Periodical index databases (for journal articles)

- *MLA International Bibliography*
- *Literary Criticism Online*
- *Project Muse*
- *Literary Index*
- *Academic Search Complete*
- *Expanded Academic ASAP*
Search Online Periodical Index Databases cont.

Perform appropriate keyword searches
- See “Search Guide” handout for suggestions/examples

Select “full text” only.

Select “Scholarly/Peer-reviewed/Refereed” articles.

Articles designated as “Critical Essays” and “Articles” in Expanded Academic ASAP will probably be most helpful.

Avoid articles identified as some form of “review.”

Select and print articles as desired.