

# Project Muse

Project Muse is an electronic database containing full text back issues of over 300 scholarly journals in the humanities, arts, and social sciences.

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On the main screen of Project Muse, the two main options are **Journals** and **Search**.

## JOURNALS

Click on **Journals** to see a list of journals contained in the database, which can be organized either by subject or alphabetically by title. After clicking on a journal title, choose a specific issue to view the table of contents. Click on the article you wish to read.

## SEARCH

Click on **Search** to find an article. **Basic Search** is the default mode and works just like an internet search engine such as Google. One difference is that you may choose whether to search in **All Fields** (a general keyword search) or in **Author, Title, or Subject**. You may use quotes for exact phrases and the Boolean operators AND, OR, NOT to construct a search (see the separate handout on Boolean Operators for more on how they work). You may also choose to **Sort** your results by **Relevance, Date** or **Journal** title.

Alternatively, click on **Advanced Search** for more options, including narrowing your search by academic discipline, type of material (article, book review, poem, etc.), date, or journal. In this mode, you may also search for a specific author and subject (or title or general keyword) simultaneously.

Another option in the **Advanced Search** mode is **Include Articles from JSTOR Back Issues**. Click on this box when you want to search both JSTOR and Project Muse at the same time.

## OPTIONS ONCE YOU HAVE FOUND AN ARTICLE

Once you have found an article using either the Browse or Search option, you may view, print, or mark and e-mail the citation for the article.

To view the article, simply click on the title. Click on **Contents** to see the rest of the articles published in the same issue of the journal as the article you are reading. Click on **This Journal** for more information about the journal and to search other issues. Click on individual footnote numbers to jump to the footnote. Click on **Access Article in PDF** for a printable version.

On the results page, click the box next to the article citation to mark the record. Click the **Save Marked Results** button to include it in a list of articles you would like to come back to after more searching. Click on **Email/Export Saved Results** to see the list of citations you have saved. Click the radio button next to **E-mail** or **Printer-Friendly Format** and then click the **Export** button to e-mail or print your list of citations.

Click on **Search History** to view your previous searches.

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