



FEATURE AND MAGAZINE WRITING TOOL BOX

Use this mix of databases, books, and websites to begin your research journey.

KEY RESOURCES AT A GLANCE

Library Catalogs

- Jackson Library Catalog
- PASCAL

Subject Headings

Feature stories

Foreign news

Journalism

Newspapers

Periodicals

Press

Reporters and

Reporting

Tools for Research

Biography Resource Center: Integrates biographies with full-text magazine articles, images, and website links.

Biography and Genealogy Master Index: REF CT104. B57

Current Biography Yearbook: REF CT100 .C8

The World Almanac and Book of Facts : REF AY67.N5 W7

The Stateman's Yearbook: REF JA51 .S7

Tools for Analyzing

Encyclopedia of Ethics REF BJ63 .E45 1992

Journalism Ethics: <http://www.journalism.sfsu.edu/www/ethics.html>

Society of Professional Journalists: <http://www.spj.org/ethics.asp>

Tools for Writing

The Associated Press Stylebook and Libel Manual : REF PN4783 .A83 1999

A Broadcast News Manual of style: REF PN4784.B75 M24 1994

Stylebook and Briefing on Media Law: REF PN4783 .A83 2007

Writing Feature Articles by Brendan Hennessey: PN4784.F37 H46 2006

Tools for Finding Articles (Hint: if accessing library databases from off campus you'll need to input your name and L number)

Lexis-Nexis Academic: Full-text articles and documents from news, legal, and business resources. Use this source to retrieve Gallup poll results.

Expanded Academic ASAP: Access scholarly journals, news magazines, and newspapers - many with full text and images.

Academic Search Premier: Provides full text and citations for nearly 4,650 serials, including full text for more than 3,600 peer-reviewed titles.

Custom Newspapers: Full text for over 100 U.S. and international newspapers.

Poynter Research Center: Provides tip sheets, journalism links, bibliographies, and articles. <http://www.poynter.org>

Use the web effectively by evaluating what you see!

- ✓ Accuracy... Are sources cited?
- ✓ Authorship... who has created the site?
- ✓ Bias.. Is this an ad? Propaganda?
- ✓ Scope.. How much detail is included?
- ✓ Currency.. When was the site last updated?
- ✓ Style... Is it professional and appropriate to the info?
- ✓ Links... Can you find similar sites from this page?

Have you checked these resources for information on your topic?

- Encyclopedias
- Almanacs
- Atlases
- Books
- E-Books
- Video tapes
- Audio tapes
- Newspapers
- Magazines
- Journals
- Reserve Books
- Article Databases
- Internet Sites
- Brochures