Locating information for Indigenous health: Finding interdisciplinary, evidenced-based and community-based resources

I. Scopus – includes Medline and EMBASE records for journal articles
II. EBSCOhost – for CINAHL (Nursing literature) and Canadian publications
III. Grey Literature – Advanced search techniques for community-based and government publications; clinical practice guidelines; policy documents; statistics and materials for EBM and advocacy
IV. Other resources: might include OVID PsycINFO, OVID Medline, OVID Embase, Google Scholar

Locate links to Scopus, EBSCOhost, OVID databases and Google Scholar from the UM Libraries homepage www.umanitoba.ca/libraries
Remember: You can also browse the many Indigenous Health subject guides located at http://libguides.lib.umanitoba.ca/indigenoushealth
Scopus database

Use Scopus to search for scholarly journal articles. See the illustration below

The same type of search strategy can be used in Scopus and EBSCOhost databases

In Scopus, use the Add Search Field option to add 2 more rows of boxes

Tips for using Scopus

✔ Access Scopus from the list of Databases A to Z; Create your own account in Scopus. Once you have authenticated, on your laptop or Ipad, then you will be able to go direct to Scopus.com and authenticate with your UM email (it is a little faster than going through the Libraries Proxy server)

✔ Use the “plus” sign to add more rows to combine subjects for better search results

✔ Use “double quotation marks” for phrase searching e.g. “first nations” “population health”

✔ Use asterisk * to expand your search terms
  e.g. canad*
  e.g. diabet* AND nephropathy

✔ You can also Limit your results to English Language journal articles, books, and book chapters
1st term or concept = patient population (Indigenous people)

Use terms such as

indigenous OR aboriginal OR "first nations" ORmetis OR inuit*

Note: Indigenous is being used more often, but can lead to some irrelevant results

For Inuit, always use the asterisk on Inuit* (MeSH is Inuits)

There are other terms you can add if you want, depending on the topic and how much has been published on it.

e.g. “Alaska* native” OR “native Alaska” OR “native American” OR Mohawk OR ojibw* OR cree OR dene OR maori OR “torres strait islander*”

2nd term or concept = topic e.g. intergenerational trauma

Type into search box “intergenerational trauma” OR “historical trauma”
Search
"first nations" OR aboriginal OR inuit* OR metis OR indigenous

E.g., "heart attack" AND stress

AND

Search
"intergenerational trauma" OR "historical trauma"
The mental health of Indigenous peoples in Canada: A critical review of research
Nelson, S.E., Wilson, K.
2017
Social Science and Medicine 176, pp. 93-112

Healing the spirit: Exploring sexualized trauma and recovery among indigenous men in Toronto
Reaves, A., Stewart, S.
2017
American Indian and Alaska Native Mental Health Research 24(1), pp. 30-60

Understanding the Life Histories of Pregnant-Involved Young Aboriginal Women with Substance Use Experiences in Three Canadian Cities
Shahram, S.Z., Bottoms, J.L., Kurtz, D.L.M., (...), Thomas, V., Spittal, P.M.
2017
Qualitative Health Research 27(2), pp. 249-259

Culture and personality disorder: A focus on Indigenous Australians
Balaratansingam, S., Jancia, A.
2017
Current Opinion in Psychiatry
Ebscohost Databases

✓ Includes CINAHL (the Nursing and Allied Health literature database)
✓ Includes Bibliography of Native North Americans
✓ Includes other good interdisciplinary resources – Canadian newspapers, peer reviewed journals, magazines
✓ Select All Databases available in Ebscohost
✓ Use Advanced Search feature
✓ You can use virtually the same search strategy that you used in Scopus ie “double quotation marks” “first nations” canad*
Use the **Advanced Search** feature

In **Ebscohost**, use the same type of syntax when you type in your terms

* e.g. "First Nations"

* e.g. Canad*
Note: In Ebscohost, you get results from Academic Journals; Journals; Magazines (e.g. Macleans); Newspapers/News; Books

You can limit your results to Academic Journals and Journals
You can add in another search line to focus your results on research based in Canada or locally
e.g. canad* OR winnipeg* OR manitoba*
Finding Grey Literature

Q: What is Grey Literature?

A: Documents like government reports, statistical reports, policy, research and press releases from community-based organizations; dissertations and specialty publications.

Grey Literature is usually free and using Google Advanced helps you find literature that would be overlooked using plain old Google.

Use Google Advanced to find some grey literature, government reports and recommendations from advocacy groups https://www.google.com/advanced_search

Note: remember to scroll down and select File Type = Adobe Acrobat (PDF)

e.g. sample searches

  tuberculosis manitoba historical

  "sixties scoop" "60s scoop" "60's scoop"

  “Margaret Lavallee”

  photovoice aboriginal youth suicide
You can use **Google Advanced** to search a specific website
e.g. Search the Government of Manitoba website for reference to **intergenerational trauma**
What's the difference between Google vs. Google Advanced vs. Google Scholar?
Note: for **Google Scholar** use a link from your university library or ask your librarian how to use Google Scholar so that you can access your library’s online journal holdings at the same time as when you carry out the search.
Use the **Advanced Search** section of **Google Scholar**

**Google Scholar** might be a useful resource to identify literature on a topic related to Indigenous health, population health, or health equity when you want to do a quick search of the **scholarly journals** that benefits from an interdisciplinary approach to health, including Medicine, Nursing, Social Work, Indigenous Perspectives, Mental Health, Social Justice, Law, Human Rights.

In **Google Scholar**, look to the top left hand corner of the screen and select to use Google Scholar **ADVANCED**
The Cedar Project: Historical trauma, sexual abuse and HIV risk among young Aboriginal people who use injection and non-injection drugs in two Canadian cities
ME Pearce, WM Christian, K Patterson, K Norris, - Social science & Medicine, 2006 - Elsevier
Recent Indigenous scholarship has situated high rates of traumatic life experiences, including sexual abuse, among Indigenous peoples of North America within the larger context of their status as colonized peoples. Sexual abuse has been linked to many negative health...
Cited by 56  Related articles  All 14 versions  Web of Science: 39  Cite  Save  More

Disrupted attachments: A social context complex trauma framework and the lives of Aboriginal peoples in Canada
L Haskell, M Randall - Journal of Aboriginal Health, 2009 - papers.ssm.com
"...traumatic stress framework" to analyze some of the dimensions of the lives and experiences of the peoples of Canada's First Nations. ... We engage the important literature on historical trauma in relation to Aboriginal peoples, which seeks to identify the collective harms of trauma...
Cited by 53  Related articles  All 11 versions  Cite  Save

Intergenerational trauma from a mental health perspective
P Menzies - 2010 - zone.bibliolabyrinth.ca
Cited by 19  Related articles  All 3 versions  Cite  Save

"The trauma experienced by generations past having an effect in their descendants": Narrative and historical trauma among Inuit in Nunavut, Canada
A Crawford - Transcultural Psychiatry, 2014 - tps.sagepub.com
Abstract "Sivunirmiut akusurmarmit" translates as "the trauma experienced by a past generation having an effect in their descendants." The legacy of the history of colonialism is starting to take narrative shape as ...
Cited by 9  Related articles  All 5 versions  Web of Science: 1  Cite  Save

Rethinking historical trauma
LJ Kimayer, JP Gone, J Moses - Transcultural Psychiatry, 2014 - tps.sagepub.com
... The government also established a new ministry called the Indian Residential Schools Resolution Canada in 2001, and set up a dispute ... the final sums awarded will be in the billions of dollars, making this the largest legal settlement in Canadian history ... Intergenerational Trauma ...
Cited by 27  Related articles  All 10 versions  Web of Science: 9  Cite  Save

The intergenerational effects of Indian Residential Schools: Implications for the concept of historical trauma
A Bombay, K Matheson, H Anisman - Transcultural Psychiatry, 2014 - tps.sagepub.com
... Although much of the research assessing intergenerational trauma effects has been conducted
("historical trauma" OR "intergenerational trauma") AND canad*

You can do complex searches in the search box for UM Libraries

("historical trauma" OR "intergenerational trauma") AND canad* AND (health* OR mental*)

Tips for success:

Carefully construct your search line of terms, or ask for help from Janice

Apply filters (e.g. date of publication; limit to articles; limit to books/book chapters)
You can also include results from outside the UM Libraries

A large number of results have been found.

Please note more accurate results may be available by refining your search query.

MAY WE SUGGEST:
- Try reducing the numbers of "?" or "*" in your search
- Increase the number of letters used in "*" words

Refining your search query:
- \("\text{historical trauma}\text{" OR "intergenerational trauma}\text{" \} AND canad\text{* AND (health\text{* OR n..."}

Active filters:
- Years: 2006-2018
- Articles

Tweak my results:
- Include results beyond U of M

Sort by:
- Relevance

Publication Date:
- From: 2006
- To: 2018
Good keywords to start with when searching UM Libraries

("first nations" OR metis OR indigenous OR aboriginal)

e.g.

("first nations" OR metis OR indigenous OR aboriginal) AND (ptsd OR "post traumatic")

Results

With limits to Book and Book Chapters = 409 items (books, book chapters)

Adding in the term “Native American” = increased the results to 527 (books, book chapters)

("first nations" OR metis OR indigenous OR aboriginal OR “native American”) AND (ptsd OR "post traumatic")

Note: if you use the term Inuit, use an asterisk ie Inuit*

Note: for lots of reviews in the health sciences, you might not want or need to use the UM Libraries search. Scoping reviews and systematic reviews rely primarily on scholarly literature and precise search strategies in the databases (OVID Medline, OVID Embase, OVID PsycINFO, Scopus, CINAHL – Ebscohost)