

# Retrieving Information from the Sawyer Library's Online Databases

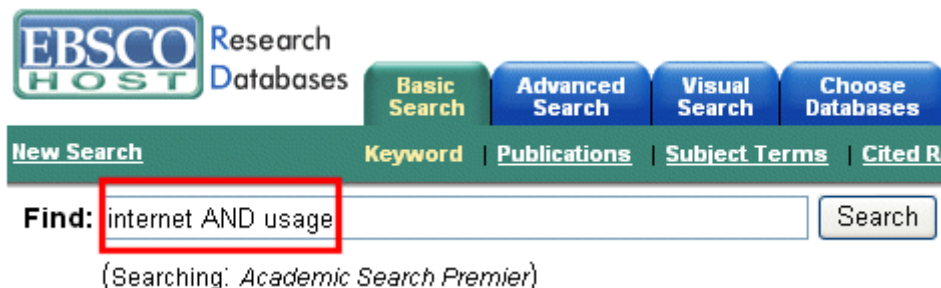
## Introduction

The Sawyer Library's online databases provide the user with options concerning information retrieval: reading the screen, printing, and/or e-mailing information. An effective approach is to first understand the results of the search and which information retrieval options are available.

You have conducted a search using the Sawyer Library's online databases, and you review the list of the retrieved citations. Although the format of the search results differs from database to database, the information content presented is usually the same. The example we will use is from EBSCO's Academic Search Premier.

## The Search

We will conduct a search for articles about Internet usage.



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## The Search Results Screen

A list of bibliographic citations with links to more information concerning each article appears as a result of the search. We will review the parts of the citations list concerning information retrieval.

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1. [Knowledge maps for composite e-services: A mining-based system platform coupling with recommendations](#). By: Liu, Duen-Ren; Ke, Chih-Kun; Lee, Jia-Yuan; Lee, Chun-Feng. *Expert Systems with Applications*, Jan2008, Vol. 34 Issue 1, p700-716, 17p; DOI: 10.1016/j.eswa.2006.10.005; (AN 25105563)  
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2. [Mediating the impact of technology usage on perceived ease of use by anxiety](#). By: Saadé, Raafat George; Kira, Dennis. *Computers & Education*, Dec2007, Vol. 49 Issue 4, p1189-1204, 16p; DOI: 10.1016/j.compedu.2006.01.009; (AN 26334969)  
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## Limiting the Search to an Information Type

EBSCO provides a toolbar at the top of the results list which may be used to limit the review of search results to specific information formats and types including Academic Journals, Magazines, Newspapers, and Books/Monographs.

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## Review the Abstract

It is recommended that you review the abstract describing each article before reading, printing or e-mailing the full text (if available). Reviewing the abstract will help you to determine if the article is relevant to your topic; if it is not, then you have saved time by not reading it, and/or saved paper by not printing out an article you will certainly discard later.

To read an abstract of an article, click on link for the article's title (red arrow).

74. [Online recreation: The relationship between loneliness, \*Internet\* self-efficacy and the use of the \*Internet\* for entertainment purposes.](#) By: Whitty, Monica T.; McLaughlin, Deborah. *Computers in Human Behavior*, May2007, Vol. 23 Issue 3, p1435-1446, 12p; DOI: 10.1016/j.chb.2005.05.003; (AN 23740643)  
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The search terms used in the search strategy will be **bolded** in the abstract. This will help you to determine if the article's content is relevant to your topic.

<b>Authors:</b>	<a href="#">Whitty, Monica T.</a> , <a href="mailto:m.whitty@qub.ac.uk">m.whitty@qub.ac.uk</a> <a href="#">McLaughlin, Deborah</a> <sup>1</sup>
<b>Source:</b>	<a href="#">Computers in Human Behavior</a> ; May2007, Vol. 23 Issue 3, p1435-1446, 12p
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<b>Industry Codes:</b>	<a href="#">516110</a> Internet Publishing and Broadcasting
<b>Abstract:</b>	Abstract: In this study, 150 undergraduates answered questions about their <b>Internet usage</b> and completed a loneliness and an <b>Internet</b> self-efficacy questionnaire. A factor analysis of the <b>Internet usage</b> items revealed three facets of online recreation, including, using the <b>Internet</b> for: computer-based entertainment, to facilitate offline entertainment, and for information about the entertainment world. Those who scored higher on loneliness were more likely to use the <b>Internet</b> for computer-based entertainment, as well as, use the <b>Internet</b> to obtain information about the entertainment world. Individuals higher in <b>Internet</b> self-efficacy were more likely to use the <b>Internet</b> for computer-based entertainment and to facilitate offline entertainment. Implications for the study of the psychological influences of the <b>Internet</b> are discussed in this paper. [Copyright 2007 Elsevier]

## Options for Information Retrieval


Most of the online databases licensed by the Sawyer Library offer one or more means for retrieving information, ranging from providing the bibliographic information necessary to locate the source in a library to providing the full text directly from the database. Using EBSCO's Academic Search Premier, we will review several of the information retrieval options provided by that database.

## Full Text from the Database

Databases may offer one or two retrieval options concerning full text if it is directly available through the database.

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51. [metrics](#). EContent, Jun2007, Vol. 30 Issue 5, p17-17, 1p; (AN 25237175)

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"HTML Full Text" (red rectangle) will provide the full text content of the article, and sometimes provide images such as photographs or charts.

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### "Linked Full Text" from the Database

Not available from all databases, clicking on "Linked Full Text" will seamlessly transfer the user to the full text of an article in another database affiliated with the information provider or publisher (in this case, EBSCO) if the Sawyer Library has a subscription to that specific database. This type of transfer is commonly referred to as a "soft link."

27. [Comparison of Internet-Based and Paper-Based Questionnaires in Taiwan Using Multisample Invariance Approach](#). By: Yu, Sen-Chi; Yu, Min-Ning. CyberPsychology & Behavior, Aug2007, Vol. 10 Issue 4, p501-507, 7p, 3 charts, 1 diagram; DOI: 10.1089/cpb.2007.9998; (AN 26271113)

[Cited References \(10\)](#)

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15. [Motives, attitudes and approaches to studying in distance education](#). By: Richardson, John. Higher Education, Sep2007, Vol. 54 Issue 3, p385-416, 32p, 8 charts, 1 diagram; DOI: 10.1007/s10734-006-9003-y; (AN 25394595)

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15. [Motives, attitudes and approaches to studying in distance education](#). By: Richardson, John. Higher Education, Sep2007, Vol. 54 Issue 3, p385-416, 32p, 8 charts, 1 diagram; DOI: 10.1007/s10734-006-9003-y; (AN 25394595)

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