

Writing & Critical Thinking

Clark State Library <http://lib2.clarkstate.edu/> 037-328-6022

OhioLINK <http://www.ohiolink.edu/>

Finding articles

Through OhioLINK the CSCC Library offers access to full-text journal, magazine and newspaper articles that can be used to develop critical thinking skills. One of the tools for researching controversial issues is the Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center (OVRC). OVRC offers articles from journals and magazines, statistics, high-quality web sites and opinions by experts in many fields. To access OVRC:

- Go to <http://lib2.clarkstate.edu/>
- Click on the **Reference** button.
- Click on **Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center**
- At the **Gale Database** page, choose **Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center**
- From off-campus enter **Username: clar39029** and **Password: library**
- **For additional information, see the [OVRC Pathfinder](#)**

Finding books

LOIS – Clark State Library Online Catalog

- Go to <http://lib2.clarkstate.edu/> or the “Library” quick link from <http://www.clarkstate.edu/>
- Select the “**catalogs**” button
- Search by keyword or select author, title or subject search
- Search for these book series by keyword: Current Controversies, Encyclopedia of Social Issues, Opposing Viewpoints, Reference Shelf, and Taking Sides

OhioLINK – Online catalog for Ohio colleges, Universities and selected Public Libraries

- Go to <http://www.ohiolink.edu/>
- Select “OhioLINK Library Catalog”
- Search by keyword, or select author, title or subject search

To access full-text reference books using OhioLINK

- Go to <http://www.ohiolink.edu/>
- Select “E-Book Center”

Websites

Rely on websites that have high academic value and are evaluated by professionals:

- <http://lii.org/> - Librarians Index to the Internet
- <http://infomine.ucr.edu/> - INFOMINE, developed by the library of the University of California at Riverside
- <http://www.ipl.org/> - Internet Public Library

Ask A Librarian. We're here to Help!

MLA Citation Style at a glance

Books

Authors Last name, First name. Title of Book. Place publication: Publisher, date of publication.

- Example: Posner, Helaine. Kiki Smith. New York: Monacelli Press, 2005.

Magazines

Author's Last name, First name. "Article Title." Magazine Title day Month year: page numbers.

- Example: Levy, Steven. "The Future of Reading." Newsweek 26 November 2007: 56-64.

Journals

Author's Last name, First name. "Article Title." Journal Title volume:issue [note: only include issue when the journal is not continuously paginated throughout the year] (year): page numbers.

- Example: Nistor, A.P. and J. Lowenberg-DeBoer. "Drainage water management impact on farm profitability." Journal of Soil and Water Conservation 62 (2007): 443-446.

Articles from a database

Author's Last name, First name. "Article Title." Journal Title volume:issue [if required] (year): page numbers or length of article. Name of Database. Name of Library. Day Month year accessed <web address of database or search page>.

- Example: Marshall, Ann, Vicki Burns, and Judi Briden. "Know Your Students." Library Journal 132:18 (2007): 26-29. Academic Search Complete. Clark State Community College Library. 26 November 2007 <lib2.clarkstate.edu/library/referene.html>.

Websites

Author [individual, company, association, etc.] of website, if given. Title of Website. Day Month year site was last updated, if given. Group responsible/Publisher, if given. Day Month year accessed. <web address>.

- Example: www.Ohio.gov. 23 November 2007. State of Ohio. 26 November 2007. www.ohio.gov