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We publish *INSIDE The CU Libraries* weekly, when classes are in session.

Here we share information about our services and resources with the campus community. Current and back issues are available online

through the NEWS link on the Libraries' homepage.

LibGuides: Jump Start Your Research!



Getting started on a research project is sometimes the most difficult step. To help you, our librarians have compiled **more than a hundred** subject-based guides to get you on your way.

<u>LibGuides</u> point you to reference materials, books, e-books, journals, and links to Web-based resources. Some LibGuides are created in collaboration with professors to support specific classes. Among the 57 topics covered are:

Antiracism
Art
Business
Communication
Cultural Studies
Education
English
Financial Literacy
Information Literacy
Law
Management
Mass Media
Modern Languages
Nursing & Allied Health
Opioids & Substance Abuse

Physics
Psychology
Rehabilitation
Social Justice
Special Education
Sport Sciences
Women and Gender

APA
Biology
Chemistry
Criminal Justice
Economics
Electronic Journals
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Journalism
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MLA
Newspapers & News Sources
Open Educational Resources

Poetry
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CU Libraries' Links:

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If you have questions or need assistance, call a reference librarian at 814-393-2490. Clarion Online distance education students may call toll-free at 866-272-5612 (press 5 for Library). Our Chat, Zoom, and other online services are available at the Ask a Librarian!/LibAnswers! link on our Website.

What Is Opposing Viewpoints In Context?



Opposing Viewpoints in Context is an online resource covering today's hottest social issues. It helps you to research, analyze, and organize a broad variety of data gathered while conducting research, completing a writing assignment, preparing for debates, or creating presentations.

Databases A-Z

Search the Libraries' extensive collection of electronic journals and e-books

Contact Us

Dr. Terry Latour
Dean of Libraries

Opposing Viewpoints in Context includes:

- Media-rich topic pages with topic overviews
- Pro/con viewpoint essays
- More than 300 primary source documents
- Biographies of social activists and reformers
- Court-case overviews
- Periodical articles
- Statistical tables, charts, and graphs
- Images and a link to Google Image Search
- Podcasts, including weekly presidential addresses and premier NPR programs
- A national and state curriculum standards search, correlated to the content that allows educators to quickly identify material by grade and discipline.

This electronic information resource is available through the Libraries' <u>Homepage</u>. In the "Research Resources" block, click on the <u>Databases A-Z</u> link, and scroll down the alphabetical list or use the link to jump to the "O" section of databases.

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COVID Reminder



- Masks are required, covering nose and mouth, including in Group Study Rooms. Failure to comply will result in referral to Judical Affairs.
- Whenever possible, maintain a distance between you and others.
- Self-cleaning Stations are centrally located on each floor. They include disinfectant spray for computer keyboards and work surfaces, wipes, disinfectant spray for other surfaces, and more.
- Wipe down areas you may touch, before use.
- The libraries will be cleaned throughout the day. Report cleaning concerns to the Circulation Desk.
- Frequent hand washin; at least 20 seconds per washing, is recommended.
- The drinking fountains have been turned off. The bottle refill station on Level 1 is available.
- Consult a librarian through our Ask a Librarian gateway.

The S.W.A.T. Minion's Tip: Web Addresses (URLs)



Q: When we visit a website using our favorite browser, we usually just type in the basic part of the URL and 'arrive' at the desired location without any problems. But have we reached a point where we can start omitting 'www' from the URLs for all websites now, or is it still necessary to add it in?

A: The short answer: "Maybe."

This has nothing to do with the browser; it has to do with the web-server. The web-server is a computer (or even multiple computers) which receives queries for webpages and sends the appropriate data. A URL includes several parts, one of which is the name or address of the web-server.

Many companies host more than just a webserver; they may also run an FTP-server, a database server, a mail server, and so on. These could be hosted from the same machine as the webserver or they may be on different machines.

In the past, it was common to specify the difference via a prefix for consistency. So for example, Acme Industries might buy the domain-name 'acme.org', and then set up one *or more* computers to host the different services they have. When you want to use one of the services, you enter the appropriate host name:

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www.acme.org - Acme's web-site
ftp.acme.org - Acme's file server
sql.acme.org - Acme's database server
pop.acme.org - Acme's incoming mail server
smtp.acme.org - Acme's outgoing mail server
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So why does it still work without 'www'? Because most web servers accept different URLs, and *redirect* them as necessary. It's becoming less and less necessary to include 'www', but it is not universal, and some sites still require it because it helps keep things organized.

Most of the time we can happily (and easily) omit typing in the 'www' portion of URLs for our favorite websites, but there is always a possibility you may encounter the 'rare' website that still requires it.

Cranial Candy: Word Of The Week



olio

PRONUNCIATION:





MEANING:

noun: A miscellaneous collection of things, for example, a variety show.

ETYMOLOGY:

From Spanish olla (pot, stew), from Latin olla (pot). Earliest documented use: 1642.

USAGE:

"I will launch into an olio of <u>malapropisms</u>, bad abbreviations, similar words that tend to be used interchangeably."

All right, Already! Today You Get Plenty of Options; Daily Herald (Illinois); Sep 13, 2015.

Although we do not "repair" computers, the **S.W.A.T. Team**(**S**tudents **W**ho **A**ssist [with] **T**echnology)
on Level A of Carlson Library is always happy to help.
Having an issue? Let us take a *swat* at it!

Something To Think About:



Who, being loved, is poor?

~ Oscar Wilde