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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 70 subject-based guides to get you on your way.

LibGuides 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. Topics covered include:

- Art
- Chemistry
- Criminology
- Drama
- Education
- English
- Information Literacy
- Journalism
- Literature
- Mass Media
- Metadata
- Physics
- Psychology
- Social Sciences
- Speech disorder
- Study abroad
- Business
- Communication
- Cultural Studies
- Economics
- Electronic Journals
- Geography
- International Programs
- Language
- Marketing
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Poetry
- Rehabilitation
- Special Education
- Speech Therapy
- Women and Gender

If you have questions or need assistance, stop by the Libraries, call Carlson Library at 393-2490, or Clarion Online distance education students may call toll-free at 866-272-5612 (press 5 for Library). Chat and other online services are available at the Ask a Librarian / LibAnswers! link on our Website.
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’ [Homepage](#). In the "Research Resources" block, click on the [Databases A-Z](#) link, and scroll down the alphabetical list or use the link to jump to the “O” section of databases.

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**Carlson Library Browsing Books – The Addiction Solution**


“People use drugs for a purpose. They work.” Sederer, a psychiatrist and the chief medical officer for the New York State Office of Mental Health, explains that from the beginning of time individuals have used psychoactive drugs to help them cope with what he terms the “psychic pains” of existence. He contends that the politically-motivated war on drugs has been a failure and that incarceration and attempts to control supply are a waste of effort and money. Only a comprehensive treatment program that includes counseling and healthy alternatives to these addictive substances can help the drug abuser overcome the illness, he argues.

“We can offer humans and societies ways to achieve different altered states of consciousness that are safer, healthier, and more socially acceptable,” Sederer writes. He provides examples of these healthier alternatives and describes treatment methods, therapeutic drugs, and public and private programs that have been successful in weaning addicts away from drugs. As he explores ways to curb the demand side of the drug abuse problem, Sederer cautions that the increasing acceptance of the recreational use of substances like marijuana is a national “experiment” that raises complex issues not yet fully understood; for example, cannabis use can adversely affect developing brains and long term use of the substance appears to have a detrimental effect on memory and can lead to psychosis in individuals with underlying mental illness. Sederer is opposed to the across-the-board legalization of all psychoactive substances. *The Addiction Solution* can be found in the Carlson Library’s Browsing Collection, shelf location number RC564.29 .S43 2018.
Faculty Tip: Tenure & Promotion Recognition - November 7

Mark your calendars for Thursday, November 7 at 3:30. We invite you to join the Provost, President and colleagues from the campus community in recognizing faculty who were tenured or promoted effective with the fall semester.

If you are one of the honorees, please do not delay in letting us know about your choice of a book or other information resource to be added to the Libraries.

We look forward to having you join us for this joyful occasion on November 7.

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:

- 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

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:**

(OH-lee-oh)

**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 malapropisms, bad abbreviations, similar words that tend to be used interchangeably."

All right, Already! Today You Get

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**Something To Think About:**

*Who, being loved, is poor?*

~ Oscar Wilde

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Although we do not “repair” computers, the **S.W.A.T. Team**

(Student Who Assist [with] Technology)

on Level A of Carlson Library is always happy to help.

Having an issue? Let us take a swat at it!