

How to Find a Journal Article When You Have a Citation

1. Determine by looking at the citation that you are looking for a journal article.

APA format:

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (Year). Title of article. *Title of Periodical*, volume number(issue number), pages. doi

APA example:

Lahti, M., Hatonen, H., & Valimaki, M. (2014). Impact of e-learning on nurses' and student nurses knowledge, skills, and satisfaction: A systematic review and meta-analysis. *International Journal of Nursing Studies*, 51(1), 136-149. doi:10.1016/j.ijnurstu.2012.12.017

2. Go to the library webpage. Select Journals titles A-Z

FIND

> Library catalog

> Articles/Databases and Subject Guides

> Journal titles A-Z



3. Search for the title of the journal (not the title of the article).

NOTE: The journal title is usually the *second* title in a citation.

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If the journal is listed, select the database based on the citation date. In this case, you can select either database, because both databases have this journal for the year 2014.

Note that “embargo” means that we don’t have the journal from that timeframe to the present. In this example, the embargo is “2 months”; that means we do not have the latest two months of this journal in the CINAHL database, although we do have those months in the ScienceDirect database (no embargo listed).

The screenshot shows a library search interface with a navigation bar at the top containing 'Index', 'Titles', 'Subjects', 'Search', and 'Librarian Chat'. Below the navigation bar, the search results are displayed under the heading 'Browsing: Periodicals (Journals, Magazines, Newspapers)'. The search term 'International journal of nursing studies' is entered in the search box, and the search criteria are set to 'Begins With'. A red box highlights the search button with the text 'Search for the full journal title'. Below the search results, a blue bar indicates 'Titles where title name begins with 'International journal of nursing studies': 1'. The results list two databases: 'CINAHL Complete' (2012 to present, Embargo: 2 months) and 'ScienceDirect College Edition - Health & Life Sciences Journal Collection' (1/1/1995 - to present). A red box highlights the CINAHL Complete entry with the text 'Select database based on date from citation.' Below the database list, the resource type is 'Journal', the ISSN is '0020-7489 Online ISSN: 1873-491X', and the publisher is 'Elsevier Health Sciences'.

4. Browse to the article you need based on the citation.

In this case, select year **2014**, volume **51**, issue **1** based on the above citation. Then look for the article in that issue based on article title and/or page number.

The screenshot shows a list of journal issues for the year 2014. The list is titled 'All Issues' and includes a '+ 2015' link. The year '2014' is highlighted with a red box. Below the year, the issues are listed from Vol. 51 Issue 12 - 2014 down to Vol. 51 Issue 1 - 2014. The issue 'Vol. 51 Issue 1 - 2014' is highlighted with a red box.

13. [Impact of e-learning on nurses' and student nurses knowledge, skills, and satisfaction: A systematic review and meta-analysis.](#)



Academic Journal

(includes abstract) Lahti, Mari; Hätönen, Heli; Välimäki, Maritta; *International Journal of Nursing Studies*, 2014; 51 (1): 136-49. (journal article - meta analysis, research, systematic review, tables/charts) ISSN: 0020-7489 PMID: 23384695

Subjects: Computer Assisted Instruction; Education, Non-Traditional; Education, Nursing; Nursing Knowledge; Student Knowledge; Nursing Skills; Student Satisfaction; Outcomes of Education

[Cited References: \(51\)](#)



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Open the record to read the abstract

5. If we do not have the journal (it was not found in the Journals Titles A-Z list), request the article through Interlibrary Loan (ILLIAD), on the Library homepage.

NOTE: If you experience access problems, please contact a Librarian. There may be a problem with access from the publisher that the Library will need to troubleshoot.