

# Using the Library to Find Articles

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## Connecting to the Library

For your final project, you will mostly need references from scholarly journals. The library website allows you to find and access many of these articles online. If you are located on the campus network, you can simply go to <http://lib.washington.edu/math>.

On this website, you will find several research resources. If you are located off campus, you can still use the library's resources, however, you will need to sign in using your UWNetID. There is a small red box in the right corner of the website. If the box is red, you are not logged in, and if it's green, you are. Always check to make sure that you are logged in.

## Finding Resources

Once you are logged in, you can begin searching for articles. I suggest beginning with one that has a star next to it. For example, MathSciNet, is a good starting place. Let's assume that you're interested in *modeling HIV*. From the MathSciNet search page, you can type **Modeling HIV** in the *Search Anywhere* text field. The search will return papers that found the terms "Modeling HIV" together anywhere in the paper. If one article looks particularly interesting, you can either click "check for UW holdings", or the "article" link if it's available. This is a handy feature as it means that you don't have to go anywhere to have access to the full article. You can download and print it from home! Other reference sites work similarly (Web of Science, JSTOR, etc). Any of the references on the math library website that have stars next to them are generally good bets.

## Getting Additional Help

The library system at UW has librarians available to help you find what you need. You can either meet with a librarian in person, or chat with them over the internet. Additionally, the library's website has several pages dedicated to guides, tutorials, and other tools devoted to helping students locate appropriate resources. Visit <http://lib.washington.edu/help/howdoi/> to learn more.