Finding resources

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Objectives for today

- Finding resources for your essays:
- Develop a search strategy
- Database search
- Searching websites
- Evaluate information
Your Essay topics

• What role does social class play in the socialisation of individuals?

• Sociologists believe there are differences between groups in terms of opportunities and resources, and therefore life chances. Discuss.

• Explore the idea of ‘gendered labour’ and offer a sociological account of why women still do the bulk of unpaid work.

• What role does scientific knowledge play in influencing social patterns of gender?

You need resources including:

• 2 books or book chapters
• 2 academic journal articles
• 2 sources of authoritative web content
Finding Books and Book Chapters – Use Search

Practice:
Using Search locate the following:


In what format(s) is this book available?
Finding journal articles in databases

Module 1: Getting Started
Module 2: Using Search
Module 3: Starting Research
Module 4: Databases
Module 5: Evaluation
Module 6: Citing + Referencing

For more information on using the databases check out iLearn

Module 4 – Databases
Journal Articles – Use Databases for Sociology

ProQuest, Taylor & Francis Online, Academic Onefile
Developing a Search Strategy

Brainstorm & identify key terms and concepts

- gendered labour
- unpaid work
- gender
Developing a Search Strategy

Brainstorm & identify key terms and concept

- gendered labour
  - segregated labour
  - gender pay gap
  - workplace inequality
- unpaid work
  - housework
  - domestic work
  - unpaid labour
- gender
  - women
  - men
  - gender differences
Boolean Searching – AND

AND

“Unpaid work”

Women

AND limits results as both terms must be present
Boolean Searching – OR

OR

“Unpaid work”  Housework

OR expands results as only one term must be present
### Boolean Searching – Truncation and Wildcards

**Truncation:**

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**Wildcard:**

- Labour or Labor spelling options – Lab*r
- Behaviour or Behavior – Behavi*r
Searching in the databases

General Platforms
- Academic OneFile
- EBSCOhost research databases
- Emerald insight
- Informit
- Newsbank newspapers: Australia and the world.
- Ovid
  - ProQuest
  - ProQuest ebook central
- ScienceDirect
- SpringerLink
- Taylor & Francis online
- Wiley online library

Research Intelligence
- SciVal
- Scopus
- Web of science core collection
- Google scholar

Search terms:
- "gendered labour" OR "workplace inequality"
- "unpaid work" OR housework

Limit to: Full text, Peer reviewed
Searching in the databases - Google Scholar
Activity

Explore the idea of ‘gendered labour’ and offer a sociological account of why women still do the bulk of unpaid work.

In pairs:

• Identify key words
• Conduct search in chosen database
• Locate journal article
Evaluating Information

- Abstract
- 8+ pages in length
- Who wrote it?
- Lots of references
- Appropriate language
Finding reliable websites

Using Google

- Advanced Search
- Limit by domain (.gov.)
Google Advanced Search
Google Advanced Search

Then narrow your results by...

- **language:** any language
- **region:** any region
- **last update:** anytime
- **site or domain:** .gov.au
- **terms appearing:** anywhere in the page

**site or domain:** abs.gov.au
Website

Gender Segregation in Australia's Workforce

Summary

The Australian labour market is highly gender-segregated by industry and occupation, a pattern that has persisted over the past two decades. Australia, the UK and the OECD show broadly similar gender segregation patterns. This paper looks at the features of ‘female-dominated’ and ‘male-dominated’ organisations, while highlighting the unequal distribution of women and men across industries and occupations.

Data is sourced from the Workplace Gender Equality Agency’s (WGEA) dataset (2017–18 reporting period)*, the Australian Bureau of Statistics’ (ABS) Labour Force Quarterly Survey (May 1998 and May 2018 periods)**.
Finding reliable + relevant online resources

Using the advanced search in Google find at least one website or document online on the topic of the sociological impact of gendered labour.
Citing and Referencing help

Monash Citing + Referencing Guide:
https://guides.lib.monash.edu/citing-referencing

For more information on Harvard style check out iLearn Module 6

Module 6 – Citing & Referencing
**Academic vs Non Academic**

Academic or scholarly items are peer reviewed. These can be:

- textbooks (not just your own textbook)
- academic journal articles
- conference papers.
Academic vs Non Academic

The are lots of resources that are not necessarily academic that are quite useful when starting research.

They include:

- newspapers and magazines
- trade publications
- websites
- reports

When using these items – it is essential to evaluate them effectively!
Additional resources

**Additional Help:**
- Monash College Library Guide
- MCD iLearn
- Librarians: Drop-in sessions at ALL libraries

**Library Guides:**
- Monash College Library Guide
- Sociology Library Guide
- Citing and Referencing Guide

**Assignment Help:**
- Research & Learning Online