

# Research Resources for Sociology 881: Advanced Studies in Surveillance Fall 2010

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## Important Links

Queen's University Library Homepage: <http://library.queensu.ca>

Research by Subject – Sociology

<http://library.queensu.ca/research/guide/sociology>

A selective guide to key information resources for Sociology.

The screenshot shows the Queen's University Library homepage. Key features and annotations include:

- Navigation Bar:** Includes "Connect from Off-Campus" (highlighted with a red box), "Contact Us", and "Site Search".
- Search Section:** Features tabs for "Summon", "QCAT Catalogue", "Databases", "Journals A-Z", and "Library Website". A search box is present with a "Search" button and a "NEW" badge. A callout box points to this section: "Convenient tabs for frequently accessed resources".
- Research by Subject:** A callout box points to the "Research by Subject" link: "Subject guides containing recommended research resources for disciplines and formats".
- Library News:** Lists recent news items such as "Now hiring for 2010/11! Jobs for Students in the Campus Libraries" and "Canadian Legislative Pulse with Regulations".
- Footer:** Includes a red banner for "Queen's Learning Commons" with a link to a "Journal article about the QLC".

Figure 1: Library Homepage [library.queensu.ca](http://library.queensu.ca)

## Research Tools: Background Information

Blackwell Reference Online <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/7711>

Contains over 425 reference books published by Blackwell, including those published in the fields of Communication and Media Studies, Law, and Sociology, including:

- The Blackwell Companion to Law and Society
- The Blackwell Companion to Criminology
- The Blackwell Companion to Sociology

[International Encyclopedia of the Social and Behavioral Sciences](#)

The online edition of the 26 volume print encyclopedia set.

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## Research Tools: Summon

Search across the library catalogue and many of our electronic resources, all from one search box. Summon contains everything found in the traditional QCAT Library Catalogue, plus millions of full-text articles available from the Library.



Figure 2: Screen capture of the Summon search box on the library homepage

After performing a search, use the facets along the left-hand side to refine or limit your search results:



To learn more about Summon, consult the Summon FAQ page:  
<http://library.queensu.ca/summon>

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## Research Tools: Library Catalogue (QCAT)

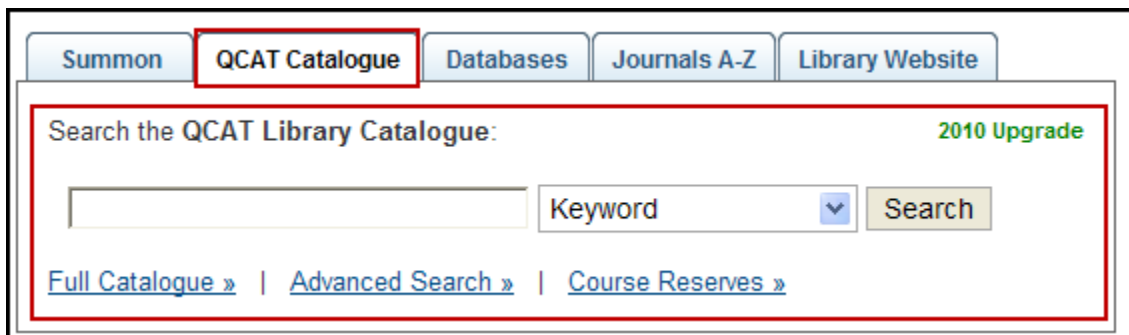


Figure 3: Screen capture of the QCAT Catalogue tab on the library homepage

Search the library catalogue (QCAT) to find materials (such as books, videos, journals, newspapers and government documents) available, in print and online, at Queen's University Library.

- Search by **Author**: last name first name
- Search by **Title**: omit initial articles (the, a, an, le, la...)
- Search by **Journal (Periodical) Title**: eg **Canadian journal of sociology**
- Search by **Keyword** ("and" is automatically placed between words)
- Search by **Keyword Boolean**:

To narrow the scope of your search you can join together your search terms (keywords) using special sets of predefined words, known as "Boolean operators." Boolean operators are used to indicate the relationship(s) between words/concepts. They are: [and, or, not, "a phrase"]. In addition, there are special characters (such as "?" for truncating) that allow you to perform more sophisticated searches.

Tips for searching the library catalogue, QCAT, are available in QCAT. Various "how-to" guides and video tutorials are also available:

<http://library.queensu.ca/help/guides>

### Useful Subject Headings:

Biometric identification  
Electronic surveillance  
Electronic surveillance – social aspects  
Identification cards  
Information technology – moral and ethical aspects  
Information technology – social aspects

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### Research Tools: Electronic Books

The majority of the library's electronic books are listed in QCAT and Summon, but you may also search the e-book packages directly: <http://library.queensu.ca/inforef/ebooks.htm>.

Collections of note include:

**Canadian Electronic Library** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/3356>

Full-text access to a large collection of scholarly e-books published by leading Canadian publishers as well as by international academic publishers.

**ebrary** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/5298>

Search and browse access to the full-text of books from scholarly publishers.

**MyLibrary** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/3422>

Cover-to-cover search and browse access to the full-text of books from various academic publishers.

**Springer eBook Collection** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/3352>

Full text access to over 12,000 books published by Springer between 2005 and 2010. The collection consists of textbooks, monographs, reference works, handbooks, book series and encyclopedias.

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## Research Tools: Article Indexes and Databases

Each academic discipline has its own specialized article indexes, which index the core literature of that discipline (and often relevant topics from related-disciplines). Library subject guides list core and related recommended databases for each discipline.

### Accessing Indexes and Databases

You can access article indexes and databases from the Sociology Research Guide: <http://library.queensu.ca/research/guide/sociology/article-indexes>, or, use the **Databases Tab** on the library homepage, where you can enter the name of the database you wish to search, or browse databases by subject:

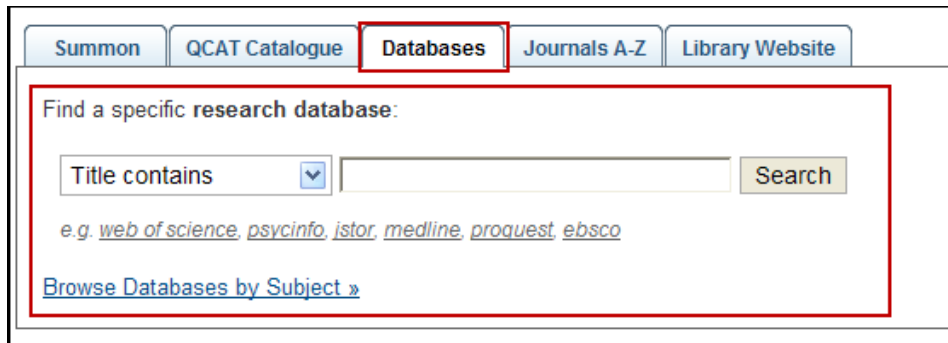
The image shows a screenshot of a library website's navigation menu. At the top, there are five tabs: 'Summon', 'QCAT Catalogue', 'Databases', 'Journals A-Z', and 'Library Website'. The 'Databases' tab is highlighted with a red border. Below the tabs is a search area with the heading 'Find a specific research database:'. It features a dropdown menu set to 'Title contains', a text input field, and a 'Search' button. Below the search field, there is a list of example databases: 'e.g. web of science, psycinfo, jstor, medline, proquest, ebSCO'. At the bottom of the search area, there is a link that says 'Browse Databases by Subject »'.

Figure 4: Screen capture of the Databases tab on the library homepage

There are many indexes and databases relevant to surveillance studies. Some databases to note are:

- **Sociology**

**Sociological Abstracts** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/2787>  
Comprehensive index to the international literature in sociology and related disciplines.

**Sociology @ Scholars Portal** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/3140>  
Searches 3 indexes simultaneously: Sociological Abstracts, Social Sciences Abstracts, and IBSS: International Bibliography of the Social Sciences.

**Criminal Justice Abstracts** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/2718>  
Comprehensive coverage of the literature on criminology and related disciplines.

- **Business**

**ABI Inform** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/2672>

Database covering the fields of business, marketing, industry and trade.

**Business Source Complete** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/3185>

Database covering all aspects of business.

- **Communications**

**Communication Abstracts** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/2946>

Major areas of coverage include mass communication, advertising, journalism, communication theory, interpersonal and intrapersonal communication, public relations and more.

- **Political Studies**

**PAIS International and PAIS Archive**

<http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/3020>

Covers publications on global public policy and social issues.

### **Multidisciplinary Databases:**

**Academic Search Complete** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/3404>

A multidisciplinary index (with abstracts) to more than 10,900 publications including peer-reviewed journals, popular magazines, conference proceedings, monographs and reports.

**Social Sciences @ Scholars Portal Search**

<http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/3011>

Comprehensive coverage of literature published in the social sciences disciplines. This database allows you to simultaneously search over 40 social science article databases.

### **Search Engines**

**Google Scholar** <http://library.queensu.ca/research/databases/record/2998>

Use the Google search engine to locate articles from a wide variety of academic publishers, professional societies, preprint repositories and universities, as well as scholarly articles published on the "open" web. By searching Google Scholar through the Queen's web proxy (using the link provided above) the "Get It at Queen's" citation linker is activated (which allows you to click through to the Library's subscriptions).

Tip: When off-campus search Google Scholar through the Web Proxy service. Click on "**Scholar Preferences**" – in "**Library Links**" ensure Queen's University Library is selected (this will enable the display of "GetIt@Queen's" buttons in your Google Scholar search results) and in "**Bibliography Manager**", choose RefWorks (if desired). Save Preferences.

**Summon** <http://library.queensu.ca/summon>


The Library's search engine which contains everything found in the traditional QCAT Library Catalogue, plus millions of full-text articles available from the Library.

## Strategies for Effective Searching:

Start your search with the obvious keywords or search terms. Also think of synonyms, alternate spellings, other terms or phrases to express the same concepts.

Each database has different syntax requirements. Consult the “Help” or “Search Tips” section to get the most out of your searches.

Most research databases have direct links to full-text if we subscribe to the journal. Use

 to follow links to the text of an article or to QCAT (library catalogue). In QCAT use the “Journal Title Exact” option to check if Queen’s Library subscribes to the publication (or use the Journals A-Z tab on the library homepage).

Print, save or email your search results and articles.

Import your citations to RefWorks to manage your research results.

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## Research Tools: Queen’s Library Journal Collections

The Library subscribes to hundreds of journals relevant to the field of cultural studies. Individual journal titles are listed in QCAT. When you know the title of a journal you are looking for, perform a journal title search in QCAT to determine its location (either in print, on the [2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Stauffer library](#), or online). You can also search for the name of the journal from the **Journals A-Z** tab on the library homepage:



Summon QCAT Catalogue Databases **Journals A-Z** Library Website

Find a specific journal, newspaper or magazine:

Title contains  Search

online and print  online only

[More Journal Options »](#) | [Search for Articles »](#)

Figure 4: Screen capture of the Journals A-Z tab on the library homepage

Some relevant journals include:

[Surveillance and Society](#)

[Ethics and Information Technology](#)

[Information Society](#)

[Information, Communication and Society](#)

[International Journal of Communications, Law and Policy](#)

[New Media and Society](#)

[I/S: A Journal of Law and Policy for the Information Age](#)

[International Political Sociology](#)

## News Resources

Queen's Library subscribes to local, regional, national and international news databases. These databases provide significant date coverage (unlike the free news sites on the web) and allow for a variety of search capabilities ideal for academic-level research. Consult the guide to major news indexes and full-text news resources at Queen's Library:

<http://library.queensu.ca/research/guide/news-resources> .

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## Statistical Data & Government Information

<http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/>

### Government Documents

There are more than 1,000,000 print items in the government and international documents collection, in addition to the large sections of the collection available only in microform and electronic format. Our holdings emphasize Canadian, American, United Kingdom and international documents, with smaller collections for Commonwealth and other foreign countries. The Library is an official depository for publications of the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario, the European Union, and the United Nations.

### Social Science Data Centre

Data is frequently acquired in electronic format and made available through the services of the Social Sciences Data Centre within the Documents area in Stauffer Library. Data resources of note include: Statistics Canada (via the Depository Services Program and the Data Liberation Initiative), polling data from the Canadian Opinion Research Archive (housed in Stauffer Library), and US and International data from the International Consortium for Political and Social Science Research.

**Government Documents and the Social Sciences Data Centre are located on the Lower Level of Stauffer Library.**

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## Citing and Managing Your Sources

Queen's Library Citation Guides: <http://library.queensu.ca/help/cite-sources>

RefWorks is an online citation manager available to all Queen's students, staff and faculty. See <http://library.queensu.ca/help/refworks> for more information and to create your account.

RefWorks tutorials: <http://refworks.scholarsportal.info/tutorial/>

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## Borrowing from Other Libraries: Interlibrary Loan and Other Library Catalogues

Place requests for **Interlibrary Loans** through **RACER**:

<http://library.queensu.ca/services/interlibrary>

There is no fee for books; articles cost \$3.00.

A list of other library catalogues can be found here:

<http://library.queensu.ca/research/catalogues>

WorldCat (short for World Catalogue <http://www.worldcat.org/>) and Google Book Search (<http://books.google.com/>) are excellent tools for discovering other books on your topic.

**Request item(s) through RACER.**

Queen's University Library is also a member of the **Center for Research Libraries**

<http://www.crl.edu/>. The CRL catalogue is located at <http://catalog.crl.edu/>. CRL materials can be requested through RACER (on the RACER request form, note that the item is at CRL).

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