OA3900 Library Seminar

Activities

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You’ve been told to read the following article. Use the library search to find it.

Andre A. Cire, Willem-Jan van Hoeve (2013). 
Find This Journal

Interfaces

Use **Journal Titles** to determine if the Library has online access, for which years, and through which database(s)?
Draft Research Question

Statement of topic as a question:

What factors contribute to women’s decisions to stay in or leave the military, and how can we model those factors to help predict what their decision will be?

Your question may change as you do your research!
Plan your search strategy – a example

(wom?n OR female*) AND (retention OR attrition) AND (model* OR predict*) AND (military or navy or naval)

Brainstorm all the possibilities for search words and group those that are expressing similar ideas together. Keep it simple at first, you can always add more words/concepts later.
Write out a search statement

If you have a topic in mind, great, use it! If not, here are some basic ones:

- Discrete Event Simulation
- Optimization Models
- Data Mining
- Network Analysis
- Combat Modeling, Combat Models
- Operational Logistics
- Flight schedule optimization
- Military decision support processes
- Multivariate visualization
- Retention prediction
Find an Article

• Use the library search to find an article on your topic. For this exercise keep it simple!
  – Hint: Use the Show Only (Available online) and Material Type (Articles) OR the Show Only (Scholarly Articles) and Material Type (Articles) filters

• Can you get to the pdf of the article?
  – Hint: Use the Available Online or Find Online link for the article you want
Find Books on Your Topic

• Use the library search to find a print book related to your topic.
  – Hint: Use the Show Only (Physical Items) and Material Type (Books) filters

• Use the library search to find an ebook related to your topic
  – Hint: Use the Show Only (Available online) and Material Type (Books) filters
Configure Google Scholar

Click on this symbol:    
Then click on Settings>library links
Find a document in Google Scholar

• Use advanced search to find a pdf document on your topic

• Can you find one that was published since 2016?

• Did you need to use the Get it @NPS Knox Library link?
Post-session Survey

• On the “Temp” page of the Operations Research Guide
  – From library home page click on Research Guides, then on Operations Research, then on the Temp tab.

Or go to:
https://survey.nps.edu/535133/lang-en