BSYS603 Project management

Outcomes
1. Databases
2. Optimising searches

Outline:
1. Introduction
2. Databases
3. Search strategy
4. Business Source Complete
5. Google Scholar
6. Further help

Recap (5)

1. Introduction

A quick recap of the Library website:
- **Subject guides** – for general information, also relevant guides
- **Library Search** – the library’s search engine. A one stop shop for books, articles and more. It includes most content from the library databases. A great resource, however we’ll be looking more closely at advanced searches in other databases.
- **Referencing [APA 6th] guide**
- **Help with EndNote guide** – mention workshops are coming up

Databases

What is a database?
A library database is a structured collection of information
Library website >> Databases
Over 200 databases can be found by subject, browsed or searched by title. Maybe based on subject, information type (news, peer-reviewed research), type of resource e.g. ebook or streaming video collections

Why databases?
- easier to do a very detailed and well-structured search
- there are gaps in content in **Library Search**. Different databases may return different results
- research databases have sophisticated tools, e.g. Search History, methods for saving and re-running searches, email alerts and automated updates
- often have links to later articles that cite an article you find interesting
- access **Google Scholar through the AUT Library databases** – so you don’t have to pay!Choosing databases, go to Database tab on Library home page > search by subject...
Databases:

Business Source Complete
Google Scholar
ACM Digital Library
IEEE Xplore Digital Library
Emerald
Scopus

Search strategies

Advanced techniques:

- phrase search – use to quotation marks to glue words together e.g.
  “managing small projects”

- truncation – use * to search for different word endings
  e.g. educat* will search education, educate, educates, educating, educated, educational.

Manage*

- Boolean – connect search terms together

Put OR between synonyms
Put AND between concepts

e.g.
“Climate change” OR “global warming”
AND
Poverty
Video: Putting Together your Search Terms
https://youtu.be/pk9O-856A4Q

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pk9O-856A4Q&list=PLD43ECDE621C8530F&index=25

Topics:

- Project Risk Management
- Why Projects Fail
- Managing Small Projects
- Leadership in Project Management
- Challenges of Project Scheduling
- Managing People in Project
- Managing Public Projects
- Project Contract and Procurement

Business Source Complete database

Key word search

Tips:

- Limit to peer reviewed
- Limit by date, scholarly articles, subject, etc.
- From the Subject category – select more to see all options, then choose one or more subject terms to narrow the focus
- Show abstract – to find out more about an article and also to look for other useful keywords
- Click View at publisher or articlelinker to access the articles
- Change the sort order, e.g. relevance instead of date
- Select from the search results and add your selection to a list
- Click the number in the Cited by column to find later articles that cite (i.e. refer to) an article
- Check the Keywords in the limits to help refine results or get more ideas for your own keywords
- To create an alert you need to sign in...
Google Scholar

Access Google Scholar through the Library homepage to link to more articles for free

Help

- Online tutorials  http://library.aut.ac.nz/i-need/online-tutorials
- Ask a Librarian online, Web Chat or Email : http://aut.ac.nz.libanswers.com/index.php
- Phone 09 921 9999 ext.8628 (City) ext.7701 (North); ext.9309 (South)
- Help Desks at every AUT Campus Library (South, City and North)

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