MSN Library Visit

1. Hello – The library team is here to help.
2. Bookmark
   - Library Home Page  https://library.ahu.edu/
   - RefWorks  https://refworks.proquest.com/login/
   - Master of Science in Nursing Resource Guide  https://libguides.ahu.edu/mastersnursing
   - Google Scholar  https://scholar.google.com/
   - APA/Academic Writer  https://academicwriter-apa-org.resource.ahu.edu/
3. Library Home Page
   a. Ask Us – connect with the library team members, email and FAQs
   b. MENU – Dark Blue Box (lower right) – APA, RefWorks, Ulrich’s, UpToDate
   c. Databases – complete list of all journal databases and more – CINAHL, OVID, Science Direct and more
   d. FIND – Location of Resource Guides – Link to MSN guide, APA guide and more
   e. CONNECT – Make a research consultation
   f. OneSearch Box – locates journal articles, books and videos, helps with citation
4. RefWorks – citation manager and in-text citation in Word
   a. Exporting an article from a database to RefWorks
   b. Creating a References list
   c. Creating folders
   d. Sharing citations
   e. RefWorks Citation Manager
5. Resource Guides --- Master of Science in Nursing and others
   a. Guides are found on Library home page under FIND
   b. Select guides are linked in specific courses; in CANVAS select a course and look for the Library Resources Tab
6. Databases
   a. Multiple databases available for journal searching use the Resource Guide for ideas
   b. Background information on diseases and treatment
      i. Access Medicine – index of key medical textbooks
      ii. UpToDate – clinical decision EBP support tool
7. Google Scholar -- subset of Google, indexes journal articles, books, dissertations, papers etc.
   a. Try advanced search
   b. Provides citation (use quotes button)
   c. Links to journals the library subscribes
      i. Add school >> Google Scholar >> Hamburger button (3 lines top left) >> Settings >>Library Links >>> type in school name >> save
8. APA / Academic Writer
   a. Learn tab – short videos to learn rules, sample papers, references
   b. Write tab – you can write paper here and get guidance
9. Journal Searching (see back page)
10. APPS – several available. If not here locally then PubMed handheld and Complete Anatomy (download on campus while here) are the main ones. See handout on Resource Guide.
**Tips when searching for journal articles**

1. Advanced search is often best with the databases and even with Google Scholar because you can select more search options. You can limit to words in the TITLE of the article or search a term by SUBJECT.

2. The advanced search also allows using the Boolean Operators (AND, OR, NOT).

3. Using **truncation** is very helpful. Usually the character recognized is * or $. Truncation is when different endings are found for a term. Example: nurs* -- the database will locate nurse, nursing, nurses. Google Scholar does not use truncation at this time.
   - Example search: nurs* AND family AND diabetes

4. Google scholar can be helpful for ideas on words to use and even find articles, BUT it is NOT the only tool to use for locating journal articles. The university databases often find articles Google does not. Remember though Google scholar will show if the school subscribes to a specific journal.

5. If you locate a journal article and you want to “cite” it quickly you can paste the article title in OneSearch or Google Scholar to get the citation. Always review the citation for errors and edit as needed.