Database Boot Camp

Library Basics

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Library Databases vs. Google?

- Library
- Google
Use Library Catalog Database to Locate Books

- Search for Books
Library Research Databases

To Access:

1. On and Off Campus Links:
   - From PBSC page, choose Library
   - Choose Databases On Campus
     - Each On Campus link works only while on campus, no login required
     - Each Off Campus link asks to login:
       - Borrower ID = 14-digit number on PantherCard, begins with 24901...
       - PIN = MMYY of birth date
Library Research Databases

To Access:

2. PantherWeb:
   - From PBSC page, choose PantherWeb
     - Login with Student ID & Password
     - Choose Library
     - Choose Databases by Title
Library Research Databases

To Access:

1. Blackboard:
   - From PBSC page, choose eLearning
   - Choose Blackboard Login
   - Login with Student ID & Password
   - Choose Palm Beach State eLibrary
   - Choose Databases by Title
A Few Basic Databases

- **Multi-subject | Collections of Articles from Periodicals**
  - Social Issues: 
    - *Opposing Viewpoints in Context* | *Issues & Controversies* | *CQ Researcher* | *Global Issues in Context*
  - General: 
    - *Academic Search Complete* | *Academic OneFile* | *Readers’ Guide*

- **Multi-subject | Collections of Articles from Reference Books**
  - *Virtual Reference Library* | *Credo Reference*
A Few Basic Databases

- Newspapers
  - Collections: America’s Newspapers or Florida’s Newspapers
  - Individual newspapers: New York Times | Palm Beach Post | Wall Street Journal
A Few Basic Databases

- Streaming Video Clips
  - *Films on Demand*
A Few Basic Databases

- Where do I find magazine articles?
A Few Basic Databases

- Where do I find scholarly peer-reviewed journal articles?
  - Opposing Viewpoints in Context | Global Issues in Context | Academic Search Complete | Academic OneFile
A Few Basic Databases

- I need databases for a specific subject area?
- Once you login, choose *Databases by Subject*
Tips & Timesavers

- Login to PantherWeb, then Library
- Database-provided citations and references
  - Is there an EXPORT to EasyBib?
- Working bibliography
- Help with databases?
  - Reference desk or Ask-a-Librarian