

## Current Issues Resources in the Millstein Library

This list is to serve as an overview and basic guide.

### Where to Start?

- **Select a topic!** Listed below are some sites that may be helpful in developing your topic. You can search them through the Pitt Digital Library. Go to the ULS homepage (<http://www.library.pitt.edu>) and select the “**Find Articles**” tab. From there select “**Databases A-Z**” to search these titles:

**CQ Researcher:** A great starting point for research on hot topics

**Google:** [www.google.com](http://www.google.com) --Always a nice source of information.

**Points of View Reference Center:** Another good starting point providing you with an overview of how to select a topic as well as general hot topic subject areas.

### I Have a Topic, Now What?

- To Find Books and other materials:

Go to the ULS homepage: <http://www.library.pitt.edu> At the “**Search PittCat+**” box, type in a keyword search. After the results of your search are displayed on the Pittcat+ page, refine your search using the choices on the right side of the page, or using the word cloud on the left side of the page. To find general articles, select the “Articles” link in the green box on the upper right hand side of the screen

- To Find Articles ONLY on a specific topic or subject, or to narrow your search:

Go to the ULS homepage: <http://www.library.pitt.edu> and select the “**Find Articles**” tab. Click on a particular subject area and search those databases, OR, click on the link in the box on the right: “**Databases A-Z.**” Click on the name of the database on the list to search it. Try these:

**Academic (Lexis-Nexis):** Full-text newspaper articles

**Academic OneFile:** Scholarly and popular journal articles

**Academic Search Premier:** Scholarly and popular journal articles

**CQ Researcher:** Comprehensive essays on hot topics

**National Newspapers:** Full-text newspaper articles

**Points of View:** contains essays, journal articles, and some primary sources

### Paper Periodicals

Want to browse? These are some of the journals that might cover your topic in the Millstein Library.

Newsweek

Scientific American  
Time

## Electronic Periodicals

Go to: <http://www.library.pitt.edu> and select “E-Journals.” Then type the desired journal title; e.g. “Newsweek.”

If you cannot find any relevant items or are having difficulty in doing your research:

- Please ask at the Millstein Library Information Desk.
- Contact us via [Ask a Librarian](#), [email](#), or phone: 724 838 9687
- Request books from other Pitt libraries in [Pittcat+](#) via Get It, or other PA libraries via [E-ZBorrow](#)
- Request books or articles via [Interlibrary Loan](#)

## Access from Home

If you would like access to all of the databases above from home, go to: <http://sremote.pitt.edu> Login using your normal user name and password. Then click the link to the “Pitt Digital Library.”

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