Who is citing your research?

The Web of Science and Scopus databases are the most popular tools for identifying who has cited your work. Google Scholar and Publish or Perish are other sources for identifying cited references in open access journals, in institutional repositories and on websites. It is advisable to check all sources to conduct an exhaustive citation check.

Open Access Publishing

Open access publishing benefits readers, providing free, prompt access to scholarly material and authors, who gain inexpensive worldwide exposure and opportunities for their research to be cited. Read more and discover links to some major open access resources in the online version of this Guide.

Alerting services

Alerting services help you keep up-to-date with current literature in your area of research. Types of services include Table of Contents (TOC) alerts for new journal issues, database search alerts and citation alerts. Your Faculty Liaison Librarian can assist with these services.

Theses

Theses written by UC students and staff are listed in our Catalogue and are available for loan. Many Australian theses are available online from TROVE. Proquest Dissertations and Theses is the main tool for identifying international theses. Other theses, essential for your research, can be obtained on interlibrary loan or purchased for the Library’s collection.

Suggest a purchase

UC Library funds a scheme whereby postgraduate students can propose the purchase of items needed for their research. An online form is available at http://www.canberra.edu.au/library/email/suggest-a-purchase. Staff wanting to order items will find information on the Teaching Staff web page.

New titles list

A list of newly-received titles is published monthly on the Library website.

Conference papers and conference calendars

Published volumes of conference papers and proceedings held by the Library are listed in our catalogue. Check the online version of this Guide for links to e-conference websites, directories and alerts.

Policy for HDR Courses

The “Gold Book” is available online from the UC Research Students Office Website.

Further Help

Remember to contact your Faculty Liaison Librarian (contact details at beginning of this Guide) for further assistance.
UC Library resources

The Library website links you to resources available to help with your research. The Subject Guides are a good starting point to locate online resources such as databases, e-journals and internet sites in particular subject areas.

Resources on scholarly writing and research methodologies

For books check the Library catalogue under the subject headings such as research methodology, academic writing and dissertations, academic. The Library also subscribes to electronic resources including SAGE Research Methods Online and Mental Measurements Yearbook that also offer guidance on research methodology.

Databases

You can search electronic databases to find current journal articles. Many databases offer full-text of articles whilst others are limited to citations/abstracts. Browse the Subject Guides in your subject area or check the complete list of databases on the Library website.

Electronic journals

The Library offers thousands of full text electronic journals. These are listed in the catalogue or you can check the Journals, Newspapers, E-Books page, under Research Gateway, on the Library website.

Document Services

The Library allocates funds for researchers to obtain books and articles not available from our collection. An online request form and details of the service are available from the Library website.

RefWorks and EndNote

Most researchers find bibliographic management tools useful for creating databases of their references and full text which can be stored, searched, annotated and manipulated. UC subscribes to RefWorks and EndNote. See the RefWorks and EndNote web pages for further information.

Off-campus electronic access

From off-campus, you can access the Library website for general information, to search the catalogue and renew and reserve books. You will need to authenticate yourself with your UC student or staff ID and network password to access subscribed services such as databases and electronic journals. More details can be found in the Access from off-campus page on the UC Website or the ICT helpdesk on 6201 5500.

Publishing your research

You can identify peer-reviewed journals and those with a high impact factor from tools such as Web of Knowledge, Scopus and Journal Citation Reports. Please see the online version of this Guide for links to these databases and more information including an overview of the steps involved in publishing your research.

UC Research Repository

The UC Research Repository is the University of Canberra’s open access digital repository for preserving and disseminating UC’s scholarly material including material from all HERDC categories and UC theses. The Repository is accessible from a link on the Library’s homepage.

Measuring research impact

Citation analysis is one measure of the relative importance of a journal, article, researcher or institution to literature and research. The Library has published a separate Guide, Research Impact Factors on this important topic.