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Research Tips:

Reference Sources

The Reference section of the Knight Library is a good place to begin your research. Articles in specialized encyclopedias can provide an overview of a topic as well as experts’ names and book and article titles for further reading. Search the library catalog for these authors, books, and journals. Since books are shelved by subject, look around on the nearby shelves for sources on similar topics.

*Brill's New Pauly: Encyclopaedia of the Ancient World* REFERENCE DE5 .N4813 2002 The English-language edition of the encyclopedia of the ancient world. *Der neue Pauly: Enzyklopädie der Antike* has only been available in German up until now. Currently translated through JUS. This series will continue to grow over the next few years. Includes signed articles with footnotes and cross-references.


Finding Books: *Library Catalog or Summit*

The library catalog can be used to search for books, videos, journal titles, etc. It allows searching by keyword, Library of Congress (LC) Subject Heading, title and author. *Note that catalogers choose the most specific subject headings possible for the book as a whole.* So, you might not find what you are looking for by using general headings. There may not be a specific LC Subject Heading for your topic. If you have trouble identifying the exact concept for which you are searching, try a keyword search. Try adding the word “sources” to a keyword search to find primary sources on your topic.

### Acquiring Books

1. **UO Library Catalog**
   - UO-owned books
   - Immediate access
   - Free

2. **Summit Catalog**
   - 33 NW academic libraries
   - 2-3 working days
   - Free

3. **WorldCat**
   - Thousands of libraries
   - 1 Week to 10 days
   - Charges possible

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Finding Article Citations: Indexes & Abstracts

Do not limit yourself to one database. Remember there are specialized indexes (print and electronic) for classics, medieval studies, history, science, religion, women's studies, philosophy, etc. linked from the library home page under Databases & Indexes <http://libweb.uoregon.edu/>. After finding a citation, use the find text button—to find out whether we subscribe to the journal electronically or in print.

*Academic Search Premier*  Includes citations on various topics from popular and scholarly journals  Many of the articles are full text

*ATLA Religion*  Indexes journal and book articles as far back as 1949. Contains some full text.

*Historical Abstracts:* Includes citations on world history (non-U.S. or Canada) 1450-present

Web Sites

*Research in Ancient History*  
http://libweb.uoregon.edu/guides/history/ancient.html

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