Citation Linking:

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Article citations look different than book citations. You can tell the difference because article citations list volume and issue numbers while book citations list the place where they were published and the publisher.

**Article Citation:**

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**Which databases should you use?**

* Be sure to access these databases through the Library website.

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**Multi-subject databases:**

- **Web of Science & SCOPUS**: Both superb databases for virtually all subfields of anthropology. Both include citation links to more recent articles. Highly recommended.
- **JSTOR**: A very good database for all subfields of Anthropology BUT be aware that it often does NOT have the newest 1-5 years of publications.
- **Google Scholar**: Like Web of Science and SCOPUS it searches all subfields of Anthropology, and contains a built-in citation linker, but it can be difficult to decipher the quality of the articles and books that it finds since it is searching the open web for academic content.
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1. Pick an anthropological topic you are interested in
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   - Check to make sure it is from an anthropological Academic Journal, and/or written by an anthropologist. You can check this by Googling the journal title and reading the “about” section on their webpage and also by searching the author to see what their academic background is and what department they work for at their university or college.
   - Make sure you are choosing an article that is original research – not a book review or news article

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Finding Older Works:

To find works cited by your original article:
1. Look at the bibliography/references – then,
2. Locate one of these references by searching for it by title (remember to put the title "in quotes") in the Find Books and Articles search box on the library home page.

- If you're unable to find an article, try using the citation linker (http://library.macewan.ca/find_by_citation). Search by Journal Title rather than article title.
- If you're unable to get access to an article you can, place an interlibrary loan request (https://library.macewan.ca/login/relais). You will be emailed when it arrives. Can take a few days or longer.

Finding articles that cite your original article:

Recommended databases include: Web of Science, Scopus, & JSTOR. All three basically work the same way:
  a. Find your original article by searching for the Title of the article “in quotes”
  b. Click on the article’s title
  c. Look on the right-hand side for “Cited by” or “Times Cited” links.

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You can also use Google Scholar (http://scholar.google.com)
  a. Look up the article title
  b. Click “Cited by”

  NOTE: Google scholar often inflates the “Cited by” number as it searches the web.

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