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RESEARCH HELP/TIPS

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Richmont Library

For students enrolled as degree-seeking, access to Richmont's library resources is available. The following link will get you started: <u>Ministry Research Resources</u>. You'll need to login using your Richmont credentials (the same that you use for either your Richmont email or to access Canvas).

- Books Use the Library Catalog as well as EBSCO-Host
- Articles Use Academic Search Complete, Religion & Philosophy Collection, and ProQuest Religion DataBase

Google Scholar / Google Books

Quite a few resources are available in full-text or with a significant preview via Google Scholar (scholar.google.com) and Google Books (books.google.com).

- Google Scholar
 - When you search for articles, pay attention to the options that appear at the left that can help you filter your results.
 - If your search produces any full-text results, that will be designated at the right of the resource, usually with a parenthetical indicator like [HTML] for online publications or [PDF] for digitized print.
- Google Books
 - When you search topically or for a specific title, pay attention to whether Google Books offers a preview or not. When available, a preview can be immensely helpful. In many research cases, you do not need access to the whole book, but rather a significant section or chapter. It is possible that the Google Books preview will give you access to the portion of the work that you need.
 - Additional Tip: You can pair this preview-strategy via Google Books with the "Look Inside" feature on Amazon. These two previews often give you access to different parts of a book. Between the two of them, you can often see 30-50 total pages of a given work, which can often encompass the portions you are needing to engage for your research.

Open-Access Journals

Navigate to <u>Digital Theological Library</u> to find a listing of prominent open-access publications related to theology, history, biblical studies, and other cognates. Duke University also provides an <u>excellent page of open resources</u>.