Library Exercise: Finding Relevant Scholarly Articles

1. What is your research topic? Describe below.


2. Begin searching for articles on the CMST 1700 LibGuide:
http://libguides.lmu.edu/cmst1700
Go to the “Articles (databases)” section and search in a communication studies database. Try either Communication & Mass Media Complete or ComAbstracts.

Find one academic journal article published in 2000 or later on your topic and record the citation information below.

ARTICLE CITATION:
Author(s):
Year:
Article Title:
Journal:
Issue/Volume:
Page Numbers:
Database Used to Locate:
3. Find one academic journal article that uses a qualitative method. Record the citation information below.

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4. Skim your articles and fill out the summary chart below.

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<td>Example</td>
<td>Jealousy in adult siblings</td>
<td>How jealousy in adult siblings is expressed in relation to communication satisfaction</td>
<td>Guerrero et al (1995) Coping with the green-eyed monster: Conceptualizing and measuring communicative responses to romantic jealousy [cited over 100x]</td>
<td>Who was tested? What was the sample size?</td>
<td>Questionnaire: Emotional Jealousy Experience Scale (Bevan &amp; Hale, 2006); CRJ Scale (Guerrero, 1995); Comm Satisfaction (Hecht, 1978)</td>
<td>What did they find? How was the research question answered?</td>
<td>Adult siblings experience jealousy; avoidance was also top strategy in other studies; integrative comm a surprising strategy that was seen here (not in other studies); findings also extend the relevance of comm satisfaction to sibling jealousy expression</td>
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