Using Newsbank

Newsbank is a current events database that uses that aggregates news articles from a plethora of news publications. This tutorial will give you a step by step guide to accessing and navigating the database.

1. Go to the CPCC website and click on the “Academics” tab. If you know how to gain access to the databases, skip to step 6:

2. Select the “Library and Research” tab:
3. The databases can be accessed by either:
   A. Clicking on the “Library’s Website” link. OR
   B. Clicking on the “Online Research Databases” link.

   We boast a rich assortment of online and print materials designed to support your information and research needs. Our library staff is ready to assist you with finding the resources you need to excel in the classroom and beyond.

   **CPCC Library Resources**

   **Library**
   Our libraries are committed to helping you discover academic excellence at CPCC. We encourage you to visit the [library's website](#) to get library news and updates, [tutorials], [citation guides] and [get help] through our online chat.

   **Online library catalog**
   Search for books, DVDs, e-books, e-videos and e-audiobooks.

   **Online research databases**
   Our online databases provide access to news and scholarly articles, e-books and encyclopedias that cover a broad range of subjects including health and medicine, literature and technical fields.

   **College Archives**
   The Central Piedmont Community College Archives is the place where archival materials are stored. It is the program responsible for identifying, acquiring, preserving and making available archival materials related to the history of CPCC.

   **Library Blog**
   Central Piedmont Community College Libraries Blog is your source for news about what's new at the library. The aim of the blog is to keep you informed of new materials, services and events at the Library.

   **Other CPCC Resources**

   **Bookstore**
   Our campus bookstores offer affordable options for you to purchase your textbooks, including a book rental program that allows you to buy your required reading materials at a discounted rate.

   **Music Library**
   While this space is designed to meet the needs of students studying music, it is open to all CPCC students. Students may study, conduct research or listen to CDs and tapes.

4. (A) If you decided to go to the library’s site, next click on the “Search Research Databases” link:

   ![CPCC Library](image)

   The Holds/Requests function in our online catalog is currently not working.

   If you need to place a hold on an item, please contact your local CPCC Library location.

   (B) If you selected “Online Research Databases”, proceed to step 5.
5. Newsbank can be accessed by either:
   A. Looking up Newsbank alphabetically in the A-Z list by selecting “N” and scrolling through the options. OR
   B. By selecting the “News” link in the “Databases by Subject” and selecting it from the list of news related databases.

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A - Z List of all Databases

A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J | K | L | M | N | O | P | Q | R | S | T | U | V | W | X | Y | Z

For a full listing of ALL databases available, please click here

Databases by Subject

Art & Music
Biography
Business & Economics
Careers & Jobs
Education
General
Government & Law
Health & Human Services
History

Literature & Language

News

Nursing & Allied Health
Psychology & Sociology
Reference & Encyclopedias
Science & Math
Social Issues
Technology & Trades
Test Prep

Databases by Type

Articles

eBooks

Videos
6. Newsbank’s homepage has a few ways to go about getting access to articles:
   A. If you need a specific news publication you can access an A-Z list of the available news sources on Newsbank.
   B. A search feature is available but be sure to use keywords instead of phrases.
   C. More search options are available that will allow you to limit the results of a search based on advanced search features.
   D. A map search is available and news sources from specific regions can be isolated by selecting them on a map.
   E. Topics that had materials compiled together based on the subject can be isolated by clicking on the link for whichever subject peaks your interest.
   F. Quick links for certain trending topics and current reports can be found to the right.
7. Located further down on the homepage are other options:
   A. Popular news sources and regional preferences are highlighted in these blue links.
   B. For example, The Charlotte Observer can be selected and only articles from that source will be displayed.
   C. Another example is North Carolina newspaper which will give you a A-Z list of newspapers within North Carolina that have articles available for use.
8. If you decided to use the search feature, the keyword word search will give you a list of related articles and there are some filters and tools that can be used to help with course assignments:
   A. The filters are located to the left of the results.
   B. The results be sorted by newest, oldest, or best match by selecting either option from the dropdown menu.
   C. The source type can be isolated based on preference or need.
   D. Date ranges can be entered based on whether or not you want only certain dates of publication. If you need articles from a specific year, one year can be isolated in the “year” dropdown menu. If you want a specific publication or source, a dropdown menu will feature a list of publications that fit the results and they can be selected. Lastly, if a specific publication locale is desired a source location can be isolated in another drop down menu.
   E. Under each article’s title is a date of publication, author, and source of publication.
   F. If you want to use the citation or email tools for the articles within the search results, check the box next to an article’s title and the ability to use the tools at the top will become available.
   G. The databases tools include a citation generator, an email option, a print option, a download option, and a save option.
   H. A preview is also available and when selected a small window will open that offers a small portion of the article.
9. Within the articles themselves, Newsbank has made other options available.
   A. Font size adjustment.
   B. Citation for the article.
   C. Email the article.
   D. Print the article.
   E. Download the article.
   F. Save the article.
   G. Get a permalink to the article.

10. If you would rather use a suggested topics from the homepage that were discussed in step 6, click on one of the pictures and it’ll present you with a drop down menu. Subjects can then be selected:
11. The results of the suggested topics will be different:
   A. The suggested topics will couple related keywords and search for them by using the Boolean term “OR”.
   B. The suggested topics also have keywords implied using the Boolean term “AND”.
   C. The filters and tools that were explained in step 8 are still there.

If you have any questions about using Newsbank or the resources that Newsbank offers please contact a CPCC librarian.