Resources and Tutorials for Global Health

There are a vast number of resources that are accessible from the Health Sciences Library’s homepage, http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/. On the right of the page you will see a list of Top Resources. Use these to gain access to the majority of the listed databases/indices.

Below are links for resources and tutorials of special interest to global health students:

**Access Medicine** provides full text to several electronic medical textbooks. View online videos covering select medical topics. A simple search box feature is available: [http://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/](http://accessmedicine.mhmedical.com/)


**Cochrane Library** is a database which features systematic reviews in many subject areas. From the link below you can select ‘Cochrane Library—an introduction; Cochrane Library—Search & MeSH’ [http://www.cochranelibrary.com/help/how-to-use-cochrane-library.html](http://www.cochranelibrary.com/help/how-to-use-cochrane-library.html)

**Embase** is a comprehensive biomedical literature database, based in Amsterdam. It may be accessed here: [http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?clio10876993](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?clio10876993)


**OECD iLibrary** (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) features books, articles, statistical information and more: [http://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/](http://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/)

**Ovid Medline** is a biomedical database similar to PubMed, but presented on another search platform. Tutorials: [http://www.ovid.com/site/support/training.jsp](http://www.ovid.com/site/support/training.jsp)

**Oxford Bibliographies** allows you to view reference works in a number of disciplines or browse a discipline by subject area: [http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/](http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/)

**Proquest** offers multi-disciplinary resources: [http://search.proquest.com/advanced?accountid=10226](http://search.proquest.com/advanced?accountid=10226)

These include **ProQuest Statistical Insight**: [http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?APK8288](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?APK8288)

**PsycInfo** searches the mental health literature: [http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?ALD2284](http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?ALD2284)

**PubMed** is a biomedical database produced by the National Library of Medicine. See ‘Quick Tours’ for brief tutorials of this database; visit the tutorials for MeSH (Medical Subject Headings) and My NCBI. [http://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/disted/pubmed.html#qtex](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/bsd/disted/pubmed.html#qtex)

**Web of Science** provides information in the sciences, social sciences, arts, and humanities; for brief tutorials on how to use this platform, click the following link: [http://wokinfo.com/training_support/training/](http://wokinfo.com/training_support/training/)
Other resources:

Citation management tools: Endnote, Mendeley, Papers, F1000, Zotero
http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/citation-management-tools

Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME) specializes in data on international population health. http://www.healthdata.org/

Lynda.com is a gateway to a variety of tutorials. Login with your UNI: http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?clio9489955

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Data includes statistics on health care use, risks, status, equipment, and resources. https://data.oecd.org/

Partners in Information Access for the Public Health Workforce provides pre-formulated search strategies to find literature relating to Healthy People 2020 objectives: http://phpartners.org/hp2020/

UN Data is the centralized entry point for statistics from across the UN system. http://data.un.org/

WHO Health Statistics and Information Systems page provides access to the organization’s major health data sources. http://www.who.int/healthinfo/statistics/en/


Obtaining materials:

Locate the full-text of articles with Columbia e-link; learn more here: http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/understanding-elink
If e-link doesn’t work you may make your request for articles and books at this link: http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/how-get-resources-other-libraries

Study spaces:

Find a Study Room:
http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/find-study-room
http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/library-floorplan

Reserve a group study room:
http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/book-group-study-room

Additional Assistance:

Visit the Health Sciences Library’s Homepage at: http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/ and select links under ‘Ask a Question’ section to:

- Get an email response: http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/ask-question
- Drop in during on-call hours or reserve time with an Informationist: http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/informationist-availability

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