



Resources and Tutorials for Public Health Students

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 listed databases/indices.

Below are tutorial links for resources selected from the *Top Resources* list (above), of special interest to public health students. A handful of other relevant resources are also included:

CDC Wonder is a collection of CDC data that is made available to public health researchers. Here you can find statistical research data, public-use data sets and much more. CDC Wonder can be accessed at: <http://wonder.cdc.gov>

CLIO (Columbia Library's Catalog) <https://blogs.cul.columbia.edu/clioguides/quicksearch-guide/>

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>

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

Tutorials for Embase are available at: http://help.elsevier.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/4686/p/9754/c/9540,9542

EpiQuery (NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene) provides information about the health of New Yorkers from a variety of sources, including surveys, surveillance data, and vital records: <https://a816-healthpsi.nyc.gov/epiquery/>

Infoshare features New York City and New York State population statistics, immigration trends, socio-economic indicators, birth and death data, hospitalizations, and much more: <http://www.infoshare.org/main/directip.aspx>

OECD Library (Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development) features books, articles, statistical information and more: <http://www.oecd-ilibrary.org/>

Ovid Medline is a biomedical database similar to PubMed, but presented on another search platform. Tutorials are available at <http://www.ovid.com/site/support/training.jsp>

ProQuest Statistical Insight (search a number of databases at once or select from the databases tab on the top of the page): <http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?APK8288>

PsycINFO search the mental health literature: <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 to help you save searches and organize your search results.

<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/

Other resources:

Endnote is a citation management program to help students organize and cite references when writing papers; a free download of the software is available at this link:

<http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/endnote>

Video tutorials for Endnote are available at: <http://endnote.com/training#video>

Lynda.com (A gateway to a variety of tutorials):

<http://www.columbia.edu/cgi-bin/cul/resolve?clio9489955>

Statistical Software tutorials for specific programs can be found on the Health Sciences Library's "Learning At Your Own Pace" page: <http://library.cumc.columbia.edu/learning-your-pace-tutorials>

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>

To 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>