

Going Green @ the Library: Alternatives to Printing

This guide is intended to offer cost-efficient, environment-friendly alternatives to printing off large amounts of paper for research purposes. For assistance with any of the tips mentioned in this guide, contact a librarian in Mulford Reference Assistance (4th floor MLB, M-Th, 8:30am-7pm & F, 8:30am-5pm; 419-383-4218;

MulfordReference@utoledo.edu; IM screen name: MulfordReference). Resources mentioned in this guide can be accessed at http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford.

Literature Reviews and Full-Text Articles

Rather than printing off every citation, abstract or full-text article that you find from a literature search, consider these alternatives to manage, organize and store information and save on printing.

Create a Database Account

- Many library databases, including CINAHL and PubMed, allow users to create free accounts where search histories and articles can be stored permanently and retrieved for later use.
 - o **CINAHL**: click Sign In to My EBSCOhost to create an account.
 - Once logged into your account, you can begin saving material.
 - Saving articles: click Add to folder
 - Saving searches: click 🛛 💌 Search History/Alerts then Save Searches / Alerts
 - **PubMed:** click My NCBI | Sign In to create an account.
 - Saving articles: check the boxes next to the articles you want to store, then choose Collections from the $\frac{\text{Send to:}}{\bigcirc}$ menu.
 - Saving searches: click Save search

E-mail or Save

- E-mail lists of articles to yourself or save them to a disk or personal H drive. (All UT students, faculty and staff have a personal drive; on-campus, it is accessible under My Computer as long as you are logged into a workstation with your UTAD. From off-campus, you can access your H drive at files.utoledo.edu.). Look for the e-mail and save options in the database.
 - 🌌 to e-mail or 🧵 • **<u>CINAHL</u>**: In your folder of stored articles
 - o PubMed: Check the boxes next to the articles you want, then choose E-mail or File from the Send to: ♥ menu.

Use EndNote

EndNote is a bibliographic management software program that allows you to directly import references from a database into your personal EndNote library. It is a useful tool for storing literature searches, as well as links and PDF files of articles rather than printing them off. The program is also used to format papers in specific writing styles, including APA. UT students, faculty and staff can download a free copy of EndNote for Windows or Mac at https://myutaccount.utoledo.edu.



Training Sessions

- CINAHL, PubMed & EndNote Classes: <u>http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford/education/schedule.html</u>.
- Request an **individualized**, **one-on-one training session** on printing alternatives and other research-related topics: go to <u>http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford</u>, under **Forms** click **Training Request**.

Help Materials

- EndNote
 - o EndNote X2: Basic Skills: <u>http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford/pdf/basicX21.pdf</u>
- CINAHL and MyEBSCOhost
 - o Searching the EBSCOhost Databases: <u>http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford/pdf/ebsco.pdf</u>
 - Using CINAHL: <u>http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford/pdf/cinahl.pdf</u>
 - o EBSCOhost Help Sheets and User Guides: <u>http://support.ebsco.com/cinahl/documentation.php</u>
 - Scroll to EBSCOhost Functionality, which includes several help sheets on creating and using a MyEBSCOhost account
- PubMed and MyNCBI
 - Using PubMed: <u>http://www.utoledo.edu/library/mulford/pdf/pubmed.pdf</u>
 - o MyNCBI Help Topics: <u>http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sites/myncbi/about/</u>

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