GSWS 320 – Gender, Environment and Climate Justice - Library Workshop

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Topic: 1984 Bhopal Gas Leak in India

Who may have published on this topic?

Discuss with person next to you (2 mins)
Who might publish

- Scholars
- Government
- Associations
- News Media
- Non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
- Self-publishing
- Others
Scholarly / Peer-reviewed / Academic

- Written by scholars for scholars
- Reviewed by peers of the discipline before publication
- Usually have bibliographies
Popular

- Written by journalists and others
- Audience is the general public
Grey Literature

- Government bodies
- Non-governmental, advocacy organisations
- Think tanks or Research Institutes
Create a “Concept Map” Before Searching

**Topic:** Impact of Bhopal gas disaster on environment and health

- **Concept 1:** Bhopal, India
- **Concept 2:** gas or toxic or disaster or “Union Carbide”
- **Concept 3:** victims or health or environment
- **Concept 4:** impact or effect or affected
Create a “Concept Map” for Your Research Topic (5 mins)
Where to Search

- Search **databases** of a discipline for scholarly journal articles for that discipline
- Use **Catalogue Search** for scholarly books and journal articles from various disciplines
- Search using “**Google**” for “grey literature”
- Use **bibliographies** of relevant sources to identify more sources that might be useful for you
Scholarly articles from databases

World of information

Choose databases of a discipline to obtain disciplinary perspectives
Databases

- **Women's Studies International**
- **Environment Complete**
  articles from environmental journals
- **Times Digital Archive**
  newspaper articles from “Times of London” from 1984 (primary source)
Catalogue Search (not the general search engine)

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Catalogue Search to use Advanced Search™ options
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Catalogue Search

- Use capital letters (OR, AND) to combine concepts
  - Bhopal AND (gas OR toxic OR disaster OR “Union Carbide”) AND (victim* OR health OR environment*)

- Limit by “Subject” and “Peer-reviewed” (for articles only)

- “Sign-in” to view electronic resources, see your own library record, recall books, request material through “Inter-library-Loan (ILL)”

- Use Citation Finder / ILL tab to request material not at SFU Library
“Use Google” for Grey Literature

site:gov.in for publications from Indian government

- **site:gov.in** Bhopal (gas OR disaster OR leak OR "Union Carbide") (health OR environment)

- Similar concepts are in parentheses () joined by capital “OR”

- Don’t need to use an “and” to join different concepts

**intitle:Bhopal** for the word “Bhopal” in title of publications

- **intitle:Bhopal** (gas OR disaster OR leak OR "Union Carbide") (health OR environment)
Evaluate Information

- Is the author a recognized expert in the area?
- Does the information seem credible based on other sources that you've read?
- Who is the intended audience for this resource?
- How recently was this resource published or last updated?
- Are the author's sources clearly cited (are there references or a bibliography)?
Cite Sources

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- Understanding and avoiding plagiarism
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**Citation guides** (APA, MLA, Chicago)
- [https://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/cite-write/citation-style-guides](https://www.lib.sfu.ca/help/cite-write/citation-style-guides)

**Software and Tools**: Zotero or Mendeley
- [http://www.lib.sfu.ca/find/research-tools/citation-software](http://www.lib.sfu.ca/find/research-tools/citation-software)

- For help, email [citation-managers@sfu.ca](mailto:citation-managers@sfu.ca)
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- **Guide GSWS 320**
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