



Getting Started with Searching in the Community Scholars Portal

Online Workshop

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Agenda

- Introductions
- Welcome to the Community Scholars Program
- When and how are Community Scholars using research?
- Strategies for searching + sample Portal search



Introductions: Your Librarians

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Welcome to the Community Scholars Program!

- SFU Library initiative, in collaboration with VIU, UNBC, and TRU
- Gives non-profits access to academic research and support
- Is a response to a recognized need in the community
- Can help agencies improve their practice

A Feasibility Study of Low-Income Homebound Older Adults' Participation in an Online Chronic Disease Self-Management Program

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Abstract

This study explored the feasibility of "Better Choices, Better Health" (BCBH), the online version of Stanford's Chronic Disease Self-Management Program, among 10 low-income homebound older adults with no or limited computer skills, compared with 10 peers with high computer skills. Computer training was provided before and at the beginning of the BCBH workshop. Feasibility data consisted of field notes by a research assistant who provided computer training, participants' weekly logs, and a semi-structured interview with each participant at 4 weeks after the completion of BCBH. All those who initially lacked computer skills were able to participate in BCBH with a few hours of face-to-face demonstration and training. The 4-week postintervention follow-up showed significant improvement in health and self-management outcomes. Aging-service agencies need to introduce BCBH to low-income homebound older adults and utilize their volunteer base to provide computer and Internet skills training for low-income homebound older adults in need of such training.

KEYWORDS: chronic disease, computer and Internet, homebound older adults, self-management



Have you ever hit a paywall while trying to access an academic article?

A screenshot of a paywall interface. On the left, a dark blue sidebar contains 'Login options' (Log in, Shibboleth, OpenAthens) and 'Restore content access' (Restore content access for purchases made as guest). The main content area is titled 'Purchase *' with a 'Save for later' link. It lists two purchase options: 'Article Purchase' for USD 44.00 (24 hours to view or download) and 'Issue Purchase' for USD 380.00 (30 days to view or download). Both options have an 'Add to cart' button. A red circle highlights the 'Article Purchase' option, and another red circle highlights the 'Issue Purchase' option. A small asterisk at the bottom indicates that local tax will be added as applicable.



The Community Scholars Program

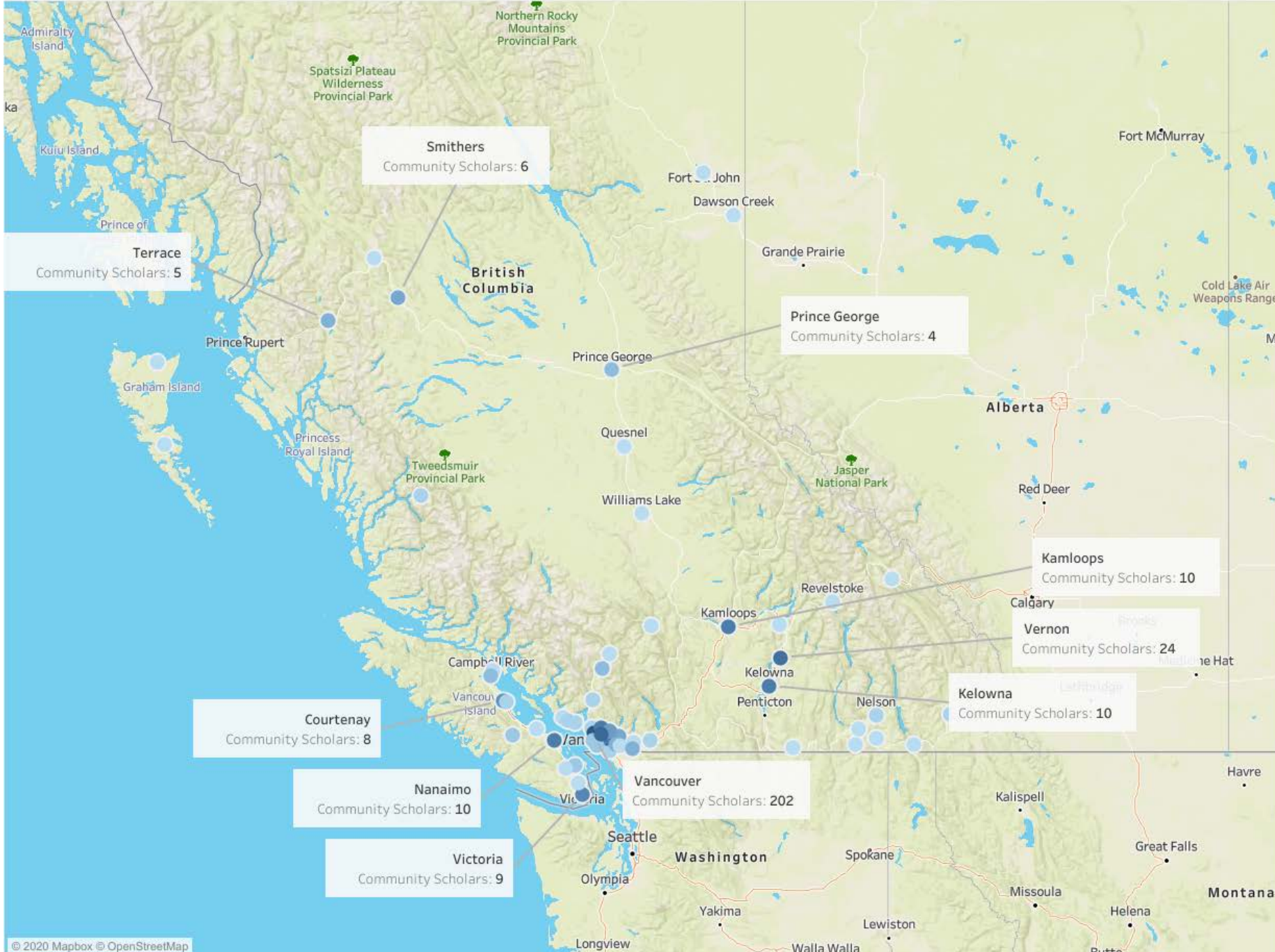
- Participants (Community Scholars)
- Partners
- Publishers
- Portal
- Programming

Participants : Community Scholars!

Amnesty International Muslim Food Bank SUCCESS Central Kootenays
Invasive Species Society Burnaby Association for Community Inclusion
Options Community Services Options for Sexual Health Mennonite Central
Committee the Cmolik Foundation Family Services of Greater Vancouver
Grizzly Bear Foundation Downtown Eastside Neighbourhood House BC Blind
Sports and Recreation Association Alzheimer Society of BC MOSAIC Comox
Valley Community Arts Council BC Non-Profit Housing Association
Cumberland and District Historical Society Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver
SPARC BC Nikkei Seniors Health Care Hives for Humanity Society QMUNITY
Vantage Point Atira Women's Resource Society Check Your Head Canadian
Parks and Wilderness

...and many more

Locations of Community Scholars - 2020

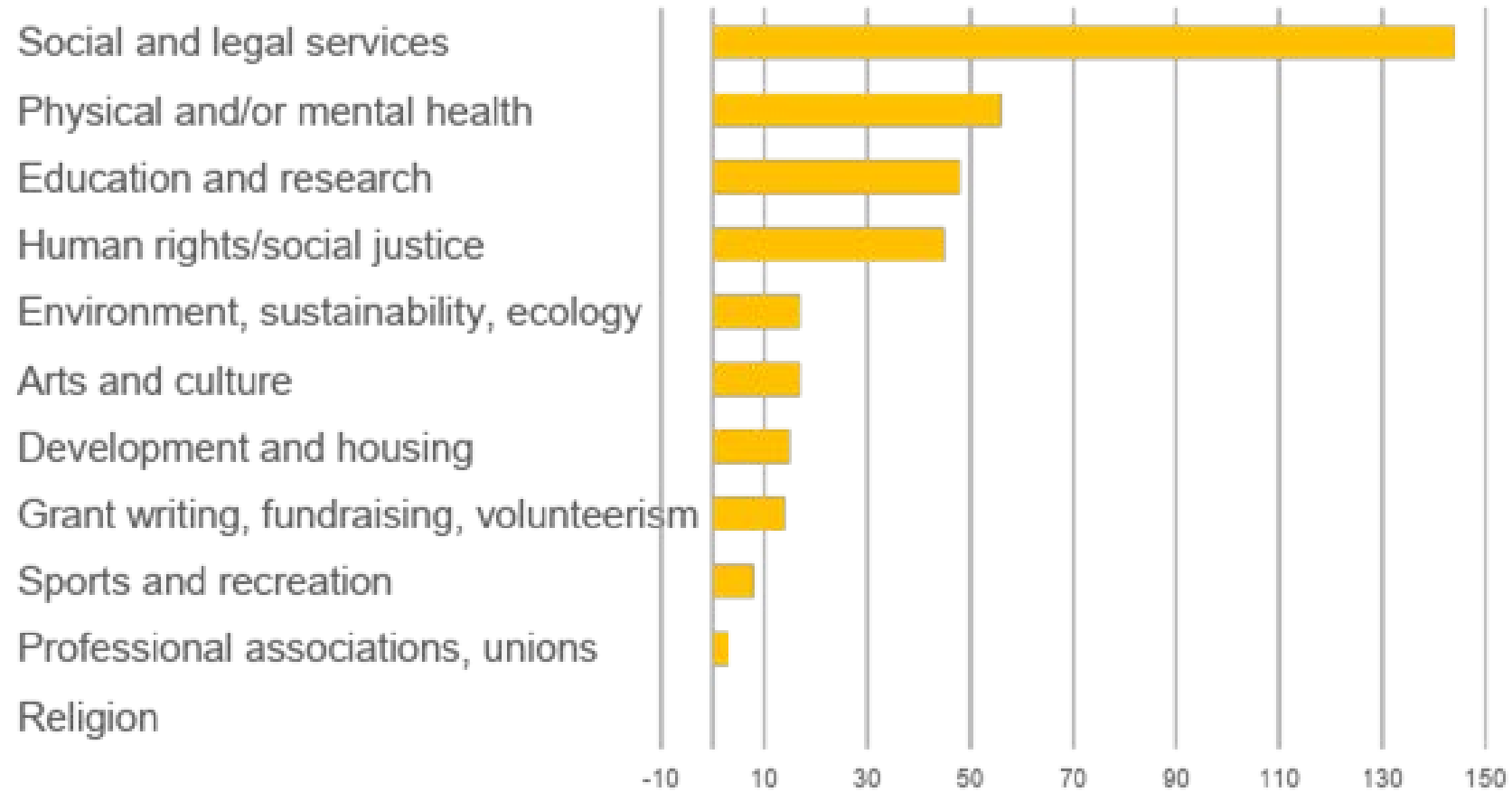




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Community Scholars and Access



Partners



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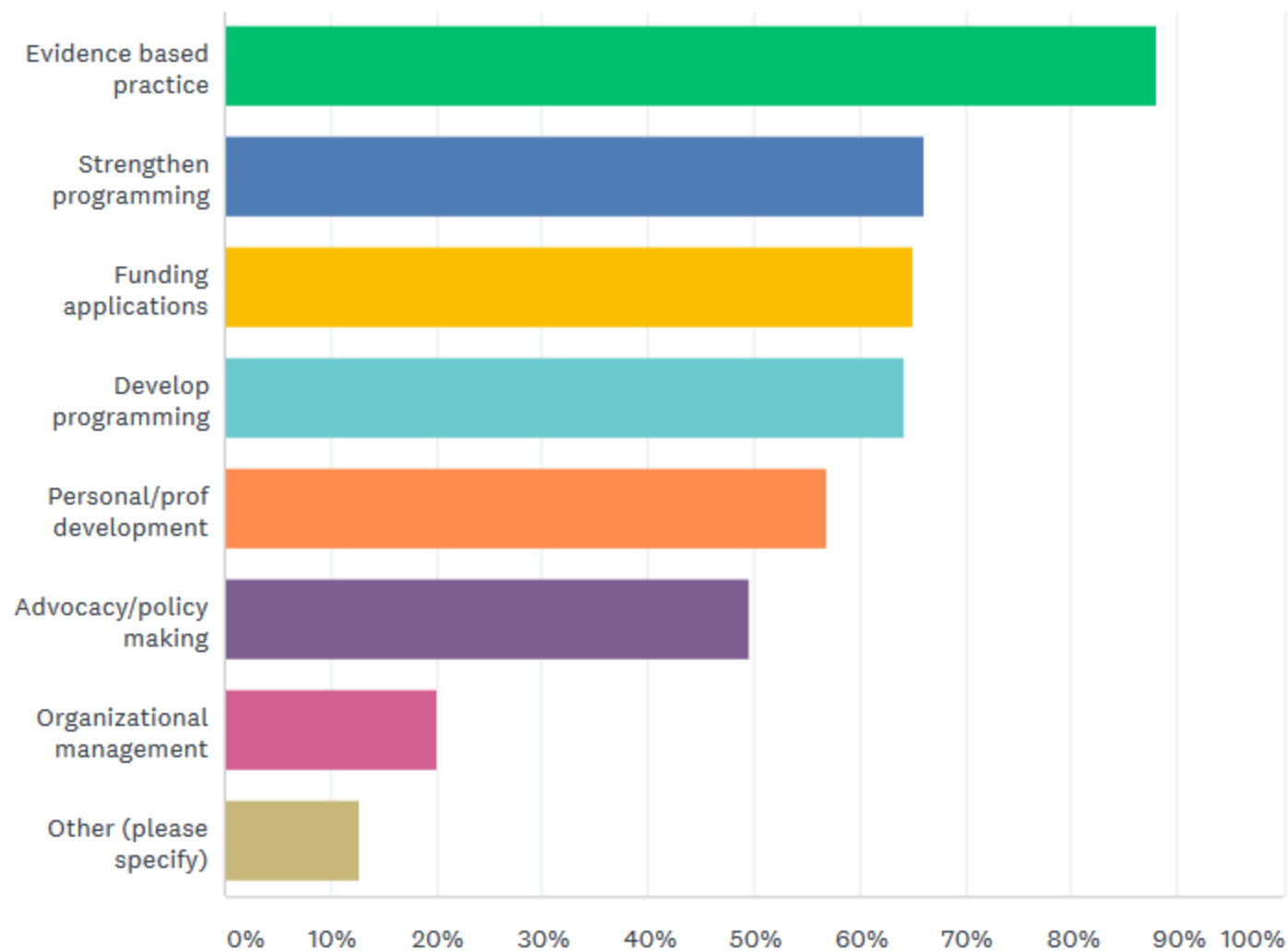
- Newsletters
- Consultations
- Workshops
- Journal clubs



For what purposes do you or others in your organization need access to research? (Select all that apply)



Answered: 109 Skipped: 0



Where in your work is research useful?

- Generating options or making the case
- Commissioning services or products
- Developing funding bids
- Stopping doing something
- Aligning services with “customer needs”
- Developing a workforce
- Increasing accountability to stakeholders

- Adapted from [“Using Research Evidence : a Practice Guide”](#). Nesta, 2016

Breaking through knowledge barriers

"I was writing a proposal and hitting a brick wall (Nothing new ...). A quick search of the topic helped me focus and get past that brick wall. The library helps the unknown become known and provides specific information to break through knowledge barriers."

--Anonymous Community Scholar in the North

Broadening perspectives

"Being able to research using journals has broadened the perspectives I've been able to include in museum exhibits."

-- Aimee Greenaway, Nanaimo Museum

Have you tried searching in the Community Scholars Portal?



1. I use it frequently
2. I have used it a few times
3. I looked at it
4. I haven't had a chance yet

COMMUNITY
SCHOLARS
PORTAL



Planning a research question

- The Library database recognizes strings of characters, not full queries like a Google search
- If it's helpful, start by creating a mind map to map out everything you know about the topic you want to search
- Brainstorm possible keywords to search in the database

How can my organization **support seniors** during **COVID-19?**

How can we support seniors during COVID-19?



AND

OR

Concept 1	Concept 2
COVID-19	Seniors
Coronavirus	Older adults
Pandemic	Older people
Disaster	Vulnerable people
Emergency	
Crisis	

Consider **synonyms, antonyms, related words, different spellings,** and conceptually **broader terms or narrower terms.**

How can we support (seniors or older adults) during (a crisis, disaster, or emergency)?



Any field ▼ contains ▼ **support**

Material Type
All items ▼

AND ▼ Any field ▼ contains ▼ **seniors or older adults**


Language
Any language ▼

AND ▼ Any field ▼ contains ▼ **crisis or disaster or emergency**

Publication Date
Any year ▼

+ ADD A NEW LINE ↻ CLEAR

↳ Any field *contains* **support** AND Any field *contains* **seniors or older adults**
AND Any field *contains* **crisis or disaster or emergency**

 **SEARCH**



Searching in the Portal

- Navigating to the portal
- Conducting a search
- Saving a search or saving articles
- Setting up email alerts for your favourite searches

Tips for your Portal search

- Keep it simple! Don't try too many keywords at once
 - But be prepared to swap out different keywords until you get results
- Use the filters on the left to narrow your search
 - Filter by date, resource type, or journal title
- Use relevant resources as a jumping off point to find more
 - Subject headings
 - References (works cited by the one you found)

Final tips

- The Portal does not include everything there is - Please reach out for help with searching in other places
 - most post-secondary institutions' libraries are able to provide guest access to in-person visitors
 - look for Open Access online resources

Final tips (pt. 2)

- Your login credentials are yours to use and may not be transferred or shared
 - You can share articles with your team internally
 - Up to five people from the same organization can have an account. Please get in touch if you'd like someone else from your org to have access!
- Feel free to reference the work you find with a citation or link to the paywalled version.
- Open licensed articles (open access and with a Creative Commons license) can be shared beyond your work team or posted online with reference to the published version.

Next Steps

- Practice/explore
- Get in touch! Ask for support & share your ideas/questions
- Attend other upcoming workshops:
www.communityscholars.ca
- Join us for a journal club meeting - June 25!
<https://www.surveymonkey.ca/r/June-journal-club>
- Complete the workshop feedback survey:
<http://at.sfu.ca/nQmHNb>
- And.... put your findings into action?

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