

## **COMS 130 Fall 2006**

**How to get to Communications Studies databases (You can do this from any location. You do not have to be on campus):**

1. Go to the KU Libraries home page [www.lib.ku.edu](http://www.lib.ku.edu)
2. Select Information Gateway
3. Scroll down to the bottom of the page to the Social Sciences section and select Communication Studies. This will take you to a listing of the core communication studies databases.
4. Click on the name of the database you want to use

### **Databases relevant to your COMS 130 speech**

#### **America's Newspapers**

America's Newspapers is a dynamic collection of full-text online local and national newspapers from all 50 states. Coverage of each newspaper varies. Each paper provides unique coverage of local and regional news, including companies, politics, sports, industries, cultural activities, and people in the community. Paid ads are excluded. Selective access is included to Lawrence Journal World and the Kansas City Star.

#### **Expanded Academic ASAP**

Provides a combination of indexing, abstracts, images, and full text for scholarly and general interest journals embracing all academic disciplines.

#### **LexisNexis Academic**

Provides access to: full-text of current news and up to the last 20 years; full-text company news & financial information; full-text federal, state & international legal materials; full-text and abstracted medical & health information; general reference sources.

### **Other Communication Studies Databases**

#### **ABI/INFORM**

Provides abstracts of articles on business and management from U.S. and international professional publications, academic journals, and trade magazines, and regional business publications. Full-text articles are available for a significant portion of journals indexed. The subscription includes access to ABI/INFORM Dateline, Global, Trade & Industry, and Archive.

### **Business & Company Resource Center**

Provides business and industry content in the following areas: periodical articles, news articles, and press releases; detailed information for domestic and international companies and associations, including information on corporate hierarchical structures; investment reports; corporate chronologies and company histories; brands and product information; industry and company rankings; financial overviews; industry overviews; HR Law Case Digests.

### **Directory Of Open Access Journals : DOAJ.**

Covers free, full text, quality controlled scientific and scholarly journals. Aims to cover all subjects and languages.

### **Ethnic Newswatch**

Provides full text access to articles from newspapers, magazines, and journals of the ethnic, minority and native press in America. Searchable in English and Spanish.

### **InfoTrac OneFile Plus**

InfoTrac OneFile indexes newspapers, newswires and a collection of refereed academic journals, business publications, technology periodicals, general interest magazines as well as specialty titles in law, health care and computers. InfoTrac OneFile includes more than 4,200 full-text titles; five newspaper indexes -- a total of nearly 8,000 titles in all with more than 20 years of backfile coverage from 1980 to present.

### **Oxford Journals**

Provides full-text online access to most of the electronic journals published by the Oxford University Press. Disciplines covered are humanities, social sciences, and the sciences.

### **Periodical Abstracts**

Provides abstracts of articles on business, current affairs, economics, literature, psychology, religion, and women's studies from general and academic journals. Offers the full text of some articles.

### **Public Documents Masterfile**

A comprehensive electronic guide to federal, state, local and international public documents, spanning over 200 years of publication, in a single searchable database.

### **Sage Full-Text Collections**

A database of full-text journals published by Sage and accessed at the Cambridge Scientific Abstracts (CSA) website. The database consists of four collections: Communication studies; Criminology; Politics and international relations; and, Sociology.

### **Wilson Omnifile Full Text Select**

Provides indexing, abstracting and full-text content to journal articles in a variety of disciplines.

If you need help with research please do not hesitate to contact the Information Desk at either Anschutz (785.864.4930) or Watson Libraries (785.864.3347). You can also contact the Communication Studies Subject Specialist, **Susanne Clement** via [sclement@ku.edu](mailto:sclement@ku.edu) or the Undergraduate Instruction and Outreach Librarian, **Tami Albin** via [albin@ku.edu](mailto:albin@ku.edu).