The Health Sciences Library for Distance Education Students
In order to access all the electronic resources possible, you must login using your St. John’s College email address. The hshs.org email addresses do not have nearly as much electronic access as St. John’s College students do!
You must login to or create an account in MyAthens/OpenAthens to see full text articles & books & to search CINAHL, etc. (See MyAthens tab for details.)

- Single sign-on portal for access to Library resources
- Search box on Library website in multiple locations
- Accessible at school or home
- Login good for 8 hours if you don’t logoff or close browser window
Access Health Sciences Library resources by going directly to the website @
http://st-johns.libguides.com/home
Some Library Webpage Highlights

• Discovery search box & Search Guide
• MyAthens tab
• Full Text Finder tab
• Popular Resources
• Databases A – Z tab
• Request Services tab – Distance Education
• Research Guides
Distance Education Services Guide

http://st-johns.libguides.com/c.php?g=600605

Welcome to St. John’s College Distance Education

The Health Sciences Library provides information support for St. John’s College Distance Education students. Currently enrolled students pursuing an education through distance learning methods are entitled access to library resources and services equivalent to those provided for students in traditional campus settings.

The Library offers a variety of services to assist students with their coursework and research.

In order to access most Library electronic resources (articles, books, databases), you will need to register for a free MyAthens account. You’ll need to use an HSHS-affiliated email address. Click MyAthens tab above
Be sure to read this handout first on the Distance Education Guide

WHAT DISTANCE EDUCATION STUDENTS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE LIBRARY

- You will be able to access our electronic articles, books, and databases by going directly to the Health Sciences Library Page at [http://st-johns.libguides.com/home](http://st-johns.libguides.com/home).
- In order to access all the electronic resources possible, you must log in using your St. John’s College email address. The hshs.org email addresses do not have nearly as much electronic access as St. John’s College students!
- Use Discovery box to search most of Library electronic resources at one time. This is a good place to start research or find a few full text articles or books.
- Find fulltext electronic journals and books on the Full Text Finder tab on the Library Page. Go to Full Text Finder tab if you are looking for a specific journal title or book title.
- Find nursing or medical articles on a topic in resources such as CINAHL or MEDLINE (Ovid). (Listed under HSHS Popular Resources.)
- Databases A-Z tab on Library Page has complete list of Library databases.
- Student Guide tab on Library Page has important information for students, including link to Joanna Briggs Institute, & guides on APA, evidence-based nursing, CINAHL, nursing research, PICOT, nursing videos, etc.
- Research Guides tab on Library Page covers additional topics, including a guide on Tutorials & Search Aids for Databases, etc.
- Borrowing books and articles through the Library may sometimes involve a cost to you. See Distance Education Services Guide for details.
- Contact Library by phone at (217) 544-6464 extension 44566 or direct dial (217) 757-6700, by text at 217-280-4582, or by email at library@hshs.org.
- Library staff available 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday thru Friday.
Distance Education Services Guide Highlights

• “Orientation to Health Sciences Library” section
• MyAthens tab
• Course Guides for each College course
• Tutorials for CINAHL, MEDLINE, PubMed, etc.
• How to request articles or books that Library doesn’t own
Student Guide Highlights

• Course Guide Links
• Research Papers
• APA/DOIs
• Tutorials for various databases
• CINAHL
• Joanna Briggs Institute
• Patient Education/Patient Teaching
The Health Sciences Library features many electronic resources...

- Over 27,000 full-text electronic journals
- Over 22,000 electronic books
- Databases such as CINAHL, Ovid MEDLINE, EBSCO databases, etc.
- Electronic resources available from home or office
Discovery Search
(See Discovery Guide for details.)

- Search box on Library Home Page is like Google
- Searches many Library resources in one search
- Good place to start research
Full Text Finder tab

- Searches about 50,000 e-journal & e-book titles
- Always check this tab if not finding electronic full text for journal title or book title
- **Do not use** to search for topics, EBM or nursing research articles – Use CINAHL, MEDLINE, etc.
- **Do use** to look up specific references or journal issues
Go to Full Text Finder tab

- Type in first few words of journal title
- Click full Text Access
- Click e-journal link, not print journals
- Then find year, volume, issue, pages
Popular Resources box on Home Page

Popular Resources Greatest Hits

See Databases A-Z tab above for complete list & also locate information about connecting to various databases via mobile devices.

Must login to MyAthens for access to most of these resources.

Scroll down for links to UpToDate & other popular resources.

- Access Emergency Medicine
- AORN Guidelines for Perioperative Practice
- CINAHL Complete
- Clinical Key
- Lexicomp
- Lippincott Procedures
- MEDLINE (Ovid)
- Neofax
- PubMed@St. John’s
- UpToDate

- Quick access by scrolling down Home Page to view
- Links to Library’s most used & useful databases
- See Databases A-Z tab for complete listing & descriptions
Databases A – Z tab
Complete list of all available databases
There are research guides on dozens of topics, including:

- APA
- CINAHL Searching
- Ethics in Healthcare
- Evidence-Based Practice
- Nursing Informatics
- Nursing Research
- Nursing Videos & Animations
- Patient Safety
- PICOT
- Research Papers
- Tutorials & Search Aids for Databases
The Library Catalog

- Click Catalog tab on Home Page
- Find physical books, videos, journal titles owned by Library
- Find Library’s electronic books
Use the Library Catalog to see what books the Library owns

- Available on internet to anyone, whether logged in or not.
- Found on most pages of Library website.
- Search box in upper right of most pages can also search Subject Guides. (Change dropdown list to All Guides.)
CINAHL database is on website under Popular Resources (See CINAHL Guide for details.)
Joanna Briggs Institute database is on Student Guide or Faculty Guide – The JBI link is in a box in the left column. (See JBI Guide by clicking link.)
• I found a great article in the *South African Journal of Physiotherapy*. Why doesn’t the Library own it?
No library on earth owns every reference of the millions found in CINAHL or MEDLINE, etc.

These are indexes to the literature – telling you “what’s out there” – with some links to full-text articles.
You can ask Library staff to borrow articles or books the Library doesn’t own

31. Diabetes-related emotional distress instruments: A systematic review of measurement properties.

• Provide complete reference. Best is printout from a database which includes PMID or UI number for ordering.
• Give us a deadline date.
• Library always tries to get items for free first. You can opt for free items only.
• If item(s) not available free, will pass along charge from lender.
I spent an hour on CINAHL and can’t find anything on my topic. Am I doing something wrong?

(My topic is the leadership abilities of left-handed nurses.)
• There may be very little or nothing written on your topic in the nursing literature.
• You may need to broaden your topic.
• You may need to change your topic.
• Do a quick preliminary search on your topic before committing to it.
If a link doesn’t work, please tell us! Links can get broken or disappear.
If you have any problems accessing or searching Library resources, please contact us...

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- E-mail: library@st-johns.org
- Text: 217-280-4582
- Fax: 217-525-2895
• Staff available Monday – Friday 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM

• Check Library Hours on Library webpage for current holiday schedule.
If you have any questions, just ask us!
We’ll be glad to help you!

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