

# Web of Science

**Steps in the process of using *Web of Science: Cited Reference Search* to identify articles which have cited a known work.** The instructions here are for use of the online version of *Web of Science*, available at the Clarkson Univ. ERC (Library). ERC Hours: M-Th: 7am – 2am, Fr: 7am – 5pm; Sat: noon-8pm ; Sun: noon-2am

1) Identify an initial document (book or article) which was important to your topic. It should not be a very recent article, but it should represent work that was significant enough that you feel it will have been cited by others doing recent work on the topic. You will need:

Author    Journal name    Date    Pages

2) Go to the ERC at Clarkson. Use the workstations ahead and to the left. You can login as: username = public ; password = libraries2009 You will not be able to print, but you can email results.

3) Run IE or Firefox, to get to the library homepage  
• Under the heading (near the bottom) “Journals & Articles” click “Find Articles (Databases)” – then click “Web of Science”

4) Check the box at the bottom for *Science Citation Index*, or uncheck the others.

5) Click the tab (near the top) "**Cited Reference Search.**" Enter the information about YOUR ARTICLE, as directed on the screen, into the boxes for

CITED AUTHOR:    CITED WORK ;    CITED YEAR

Note: use the **abbreviation** for the journal name – check the list provided to get the correct abbreviation; use no comma, and only the initial of author first name – ex. Chisholm M\*

• Press "SEARCH". Look at the results for your article. [ If you don't find the article you wanted, try just the author's name alone; or try a different article. References that are underlined (and blue) can be viewed online.]

6) Select the reference(s) that matches your article, by checking the box(es) at the left. Then click “Finish Search”. Articles that have cited your original article are now listed, with the newest listed first.

7) “Mark” the record(s) you want by checking the box at the left, and click “E-mail”. Send it to yourself.

8) Logout. If needed, ask for assistance at the desk.

9) You will print one (1) record from your email and attach it to the assignment sheet.

*Web of Science* can also be searched in the more traditional way, by subject terms. See instructions on screen if you want to try this.

