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Need to speed up your systematic review process? This is the tool for you.

Systematic reviews are popular research endeavors in the health sciences at OSU. To support this and improve the process, the HSL has purchased an unlimited license to Covidence, a tool built to manage all the steps of a systematic review, from data gathering of 100’s or 1000’s of results from databases, to screening, all the way to data extraction. All along, Covidence tracks your process and allows for blinded multiple reviewers, reducing bias. HSL librarians and some OSU researchers have been piloting its use over the last year, and we highly recommend it.

To access Covidence, please see the Covidence database page. Whether you are new to Covidence or you’ve already created an account with an OSU.edu or OSUMC.edu email account, visit the OSU Covidence Sign-up Page and enter your email and password to receive an invitation. Then follow the instructions. More detailed information about linking your previous OSU.edu or OSUMC.edu accounts can be found in this handout.

Did you know HSL librarians have expertise in conducting systematic reviews? For more information about our services, consult our newly revised Systematic Reviews Guide.

Fall Hours Changes and Construction Info

The HSL is undergoing some changes this fall to ultimately improve the experience for our students, faculty, and staff.

4th Floor Construction: Shelving on the 4th floor is being removed and space will be renovated into office spaces for Prior Hall building partners. The construction should take place in September. All other areas of the 4th floor are open for business! Ear plugs are available for free at the Public Services desk on the 1st Floor.

3rd Floor Consolidation: Some journal volumes are being removed.

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and books from the 4th floor will be moving to the 3rd floor. After all this, some space will be gained and new
seating will be added.

1st Floor: Some new seating will be added to the south end of the floor.

Fall Hours Changes

Earlier Sunday Hours: Beginning Sunday, September 9, the HSL will test opening at 10am (instead of
Noon). We will be tracking visitors during these hours to determine if we will maintain this Sunday opening
schedule in the Spring.

Home Football Saturdays: We are also piloting closing on a few home football Saturdays this year. Due to low
visitor counts and parking challenges for visitors and staff, we are going to test closing on three Saturdays
when we are not open for extended exam prep. This includes September 1, 8, and 22.

Fall Workshops

The HSL currently has three workshops scheduled for the fall, two independently and one in conjunction with the
College of Public Health and Connect & Collaborate. Registration is required due to limited space.

Using Publication Data from Web of Science to Create Productivity Reports  Sept. 12, noon to 1pm, Prior 200
Units within many OSU colleges are often asked to show the level of scholarly productivity for annual reports.
This can be challenging and time consuming. The Web of Science interface can provide an avenue for generating
publication lists representing a unit’s or department’s scholarly publications for a given period of time. This
workshop will focus on using the resources within Web of Science to produce such lists with relatively good
accuracy, especially for the biomedical and health sciences.

Covidence: Streamlining Data Extraction and Systematic Review Management  Sept. 26, noon to 1pm, Prior 200
This workshop will introduce participants to the systematic review management tool Covidence, which is now
available to OSU users through the Health Sciences Library. Covidence is a tool that facilitates citation
management, PRISMA diagram creation, article screening and selection, data extraction, and quality assessment.

OIF Seminar: Conducting Impact Evaluation for Grant-Funded Projects  Sept. 17, 9am to 11am, BRT 115
The Opioid Innovation Fund, College of Public Health, Connect and Collaborate Grant Program, and Health
Sciences Library invite you to join a seminar for impact evaluation. Learn how to plan for and implement
standardized strategies that will help your team articulate the value and outcomes of your project. All faculty,
staff and students are welcome to attend. If you are interested in applying for the next round of Opioid Innovation
Funds or a Connect & Collaborate grant, this workshop is for you.