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# FINDING NURSING RESEARCH ARTICLES

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## **CINAHL Plus – follow these steps\***

- 1) Perform a subject search using CINAHL Headings
- 2) Under Limit Search click the link [Search Options](#)
- 3) Click the box for Research Article & in the Journal Subset box choose Nursing
- 4) Apply these limits to the subject search
- 5) Advanced degrees show up in the full-text of the article
- 6) Next best is to look click on the article title and look at the author affiliation field; if the author teaches at a school/college of nursing or works at a hospital/medical center/clinic, he/she probably has an advanced degree
- 7) If full-text and Complete Record don't help, try doing a web search on the author's name to find more information about the author's advanced degrees and place of work

## **PUBMED – follow these steps\***

- 1) Perform a subject search using the MeSH Database
- 2) Under Limits choose Subset = Nursing Journals
- 3) Under Limits choose Language = English
- 4) Under Limits choose Human
- 5) Apply these limits to the subject search
- 6) Change the display to Abstract
- 7) Advanced degrees show up in the full-text of the article
- 8) The author's place of work may be listed under the author's name; if the author teaches at a school/college of nursing or works at a hospital/medical center/clinic, he/she probably has an advanced degree
- 9) Publication Type may be listed; these types represent research: Evaluation Studies, Validation Studies, Multicenter Studies, Clinical Trial, Case Report, Comparative Study, Twin Study, Research Support
- 10) If full-text or the author's place of work isn't available, try doing a web search on the author's name to find more information about the author's advanced degrees and place of work

**\*Basic searching skills are assumed; if training is needed, contact Kristi Wessenberg, 510-869-6833, [kwessenberg@samuelmerritt.edu](mailto:kwessenberg@samuelmerritt.edu)**