Library Homepage [http://library.okstate.edu](http://library.okstate.edu)

This is the main library webpage. Also linked to this page are the Subject Guides:

**Research Guides/ Subject Lists**

**DHM 1011**  This guide was created especially for your class.

**Creative Studios:** Services like our Mac and PC presentation prep studios, visualization studio, 3-d printing, and access to Lynda.com (by appointment).

**Database Search Tips and Research Guides:**

For incoming students, I recommend the Undergraduate Services guide. It includes several basic videos about finding things in the library, especially search strategies for using BOSS (the orange search box) to find books, media, journals, course reserves [http://info.library.okstate.edu/first-year-seminar/tutorials](http://info.library.okstate.edu/first-year-seminar/tutorials)

"Inform Your Thinking" tutorials are designed to help you think through the issues you face in finding information sources: [http://info.library.okstate.edu/first-year-seminar/tutorials](http://info.library.okstate.edu/first-year-seminar/tutorials)

For detailed instructions on searching databases, see Dan Chaney's guide. [http://info.library.okstate.edu/searchtips](http://info.library.okstate.edu/searchtips)

I’ve also prepared several Guides for DHM topics. See alphabetical list at [http://info.library.okstate.edu/library-guides](http://info.library.okstate.edu/library-guides) The Guide for DHM 1011 is in progress.

**Suggested Databases**

The Library catalog—is good for broad searches, but can be rather hard to interpret. I suggest using a database instead, but you can use the catalog to find books and media or articles from newspapers, trade publications, and scholarly journals: Watch the videos! These are basics for using the library. Go to this page and click the picture, OR go to the YouTube link: [http://info.library.okstate.edu/first-year-seminar/tutorials](http://info.library.okstate.edu/first-year-seminar/tutorials)

**Of Special Interest to DHM:**

**Material Connexion**  Detailed online information about more than 7,000 materials useful for interiors, the textile and apparel industry, etc. This is similar to the WGSN database, but has technical information and shows physical samples.
Mrs. Susan Bobo, the Architecture librarian, has created a LibGuide for *Material Connexion*:
http://info.library.okstate.edu/material-connexion

**Building Green** “reliable content on sustainable design strategies, green building materials, and analysis of high-performance buildings”.

**Greenfile** (EBSCO) “well-researched information covering all aspects of human impact to the environment. Includes scholarly, government and general-interest titles—content on global warming, green building, pollution, sustainable agriculture, renewable energy, recycling, and more.” (Paraphrased from EBSCO description.)

**ProQuest**

**ABI/Inform (ProQuest)** (A good source for business information, especially short items.)

**ProQuest Research Library** (More on the scholarly article side.)

**EBSCO (EBSCOhost)**

**Business Source Premier** (Covers major business journals, a little less “news” than ABI/Inform.)

**Academic Search Premier** (More on the scholarly article side; a lot of the articles will come from peer reviewed journals.)

**Industry Information**

**IBISWorld** This database has analysis of industries such as apparel manufacturing. More about markets and competitors than sustainability, but good background.

**Sources for Statistics**

**ProQuest Statistical Insight** (Takes statistics from a lot of U.S. and international sources.)

Use the **LibGuide for this database** to help you use it effectively!

**CIA World Factbook** (Compiled by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency—keep in mind that it takes a U.S. perspective.)

**Other**

Reports from think tanks and associations, blogs, (check credibility ESPECIALLY!)

See selected sources on the LibGuide for this class.

How to Read a Scientific Paper—This example is from the website of *Science*, the journal published by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (yes, they’re credible).

http://www.sciencemag.org/careers/2016/03/how-seriously-read-scientific-paper