Go to http://www.emich.edu/library
Click on the Databases tab at the top of your screen

CENTRAL QUESTION:
What interventions are available to occupational therapists when treating/working with autistic children?

A. CINAHL – Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature

VERY IMPORTANT NOTE: Always make sure you are in Advanced Search mode when running searches in CINAHL.

Keyword Searching
- In the first search box, type in "occupational therap*"
- In the second search box, type in autis*
- In the third search box, type in interven*

Advanced Search Mode
Click on the blue Advanced Search hyperlink located underneath the search boxes in order to apply most of the limits listed below. Notice the Limit your results area located underneath the search boxes.

Language Limit
- Limit the search to English language articles by checking the box next to English Language

Peer Reviewed Articles
- Limit to peer reviewed articles by checking the box on the right side of the page. You can also limit to peer reviewed publications by highlighting the phrase under the Journal Subset drop-down menu.

Research Articles
- Limit to research-based articles by checking the box on the left side of the page. You can also limit to research publications by highlighting the word under the Publication Type drop-down menu.
Publication Year
- Limit the search to a specific set of years by typing in the date range into the boxes next to Publication Date From located on the right side of the screen.

Age Groups
- Limit to age groups by highlighting the correct age limit under the Age Groups drop-down menu.

Sex/Gender
- Limit to gender by highlighting the correct gender limit under the Sex/Gender drop-down menu.

B. ERIC
- In the first search box, type in autis*
- In the second search box, type in interven*
- In the third search box, type in “occupational therap*”
- Check the boxes to limit to Peer reviewed articles, and ERIC journal only
- Under the Language limit, check the box for English

C. ESearch
- This is the first search box on the Library’s homepage
- Type in occupational therap* autis* interven*
- Using the limits on the left side of the screen, filter by Scholarly & Peer Review and by Publication Date 2000 – 2018

D. Gale Virtual Reference Library or Sage eReference Books
- In the first search box, type in autis*
- In the second search box, type in interven*

E. OT Search
Important Note: This database was created to be used in the AOTA’s library in Maryland. When the location is listed as Third Floor Stacks, or a call number is given, it is referring to the location in the AOTA’s library, not the Halle Library.
- Click on the OT Search link located in the center of the page
- Click on the Power Search link located underneath the blue search box
- In the search box next to the word or phrase box, type in the phrase autis$
- Change the drop-down menu on the second box to word or phrase
- In the second search box, type in child$ or pediatric$
- Under language, limit to English
- Under type, limit to Journal Article
Click on the blue Search button

**Searching for the Journal**
There will be times when using this database that you will need to run a search for the name of the journal under the **Journals by Title** tab located on our library's home page (http://www.emich.edu/library/index.php).

**Option #1**
- If there is a small URL link on the citation, click on it and you will be linked to the full-text of the article
- If there is not a URL link on the citation, follow the directions in Option #2 below

**Option #2**
- Open another tab and go to the Library homepage (www.emich.edu/library)
- Under the **Journal Titles** tab, type in the name of the journal (not article title) you wish to locate to see if and how the Halle Library owns it

**F. OTDBASE**
Click on the maroon Search tile on the top of the screen

**Keyword Search**
- In the Keyword Search box, type in a simple search, e.g., *autis* and *interven*

**Topic Search**
- Select a subject from the list of topics in the **Topic Search** area
- Click on the drop-down menu at the end of the topic area, select the subtopic, and click on the Go button
  - e.g. #1, OT-Admin – Management
  - e.g. #2, Paeds – Adolescence

**Journal Abbreviations**
To translate the journal abbreviations in the citations, click on the maroon **Journals** tile on the top of the page

**G. PsycINFO**
- In the first search box, type in *autis*
- In the second search box, type in *interven*
- In the third search box, type in “*occupational therap*”
- Add a search box
- In the fourth search box, type in *child* or *pediatric*
- Under the **Record type**, limit, check the box for **Journal Article**
Under the Language limit, check the box for English
Check the box for the peer reviewed journal limit

**H. Ulrich’s Global Serials Directory**

- In the center search box, type in name of the journal
e.g., *american journal of occupational therapy*
- Click on the green magnifying glass at the end of the search box
- Locate the journal title from the list of journal titles
- Notice the black and white referee shirt to the left of the journal name; this icon indicates that the journal is peer reviewed; if no shirt is present, the journal is not peer reviewed
- If you desire more information about the journal, click on the hyperlink of the title
  e.g. #1 play therapy
  e.g. #2 australian occupational therapy journal
  e.g. #3 occupational therapy news
  e.g. #4 occupational therapy in health care

**K. Additional Searching Features**

1) **Obtaining the Item or Using Find Text**
- Click the green *FindText* button located within each record
- It is necessary that your pop-up blocker be turned off in order for this function to work
- See this screen for help with this:
  http://guides.emich.edu/dbasehelp/full-text

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