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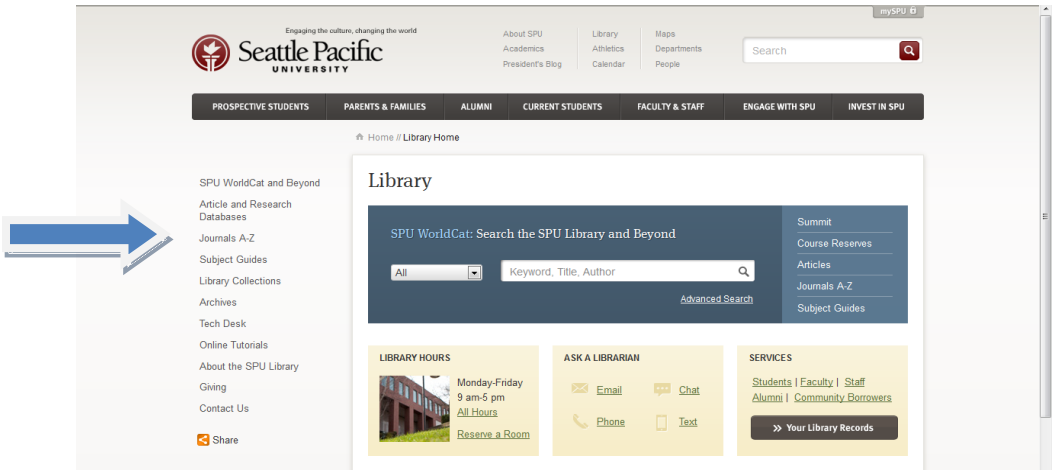
Overview of Key Library Resources

Here is a list of key library resources that you should know about and use for your studies:

- SPU Catalog http://www.spu.edu/library/
- SUMMIT Catalog –Catalog of the ORBIS Cascade Alliance consortium of 36 Universities making 28.7 million volumes available for students



- **Education databases**
  - Off campus access requires your authenticate yourself as an SPU patron. You will need your SPU username and password (same as for Banner and Webmail)
  - Click on the **Subject Guides** link
  - Click on the **Education** link
  - Core Resources
    - ***PsycINFO*** use **Classification Codes** 3500, 3530, 3550, 3650, 3570, 3580 use for Educational Psychology and Special Education
    - **ERIC—Education Resources Information Center** (use EBSCOhost interface)
    - ***Education Full-Text*** general education database also good for Special Education
- **Additional resources**
  - ***Academic Search Premier*** use for Special Education
  - ***JSTOR*** historical archive of important education journals. Nothing more current than 3 years ago
- **Important search engine**
  - **Google Scholar** http://scholar.google.com/ this can be a good place to start your research at the VERY beginning if you have a very general idea of a topic to research. Then use the **Journals A to Z** tool to locate full text copies of germane articles.
- **Journals A to Z Portal**—way to determine whether a particular journal title is available in full text in a particular database that Seattle Pacific University subscribes to. See image above for where to find Journals A to Z.
- **RefWorks**
  - Important citation management tool
  - Click on the **Subject Guides** link on the main library page
  - Click on the **Citations, Style Manuals, and RefWorks** link
  - Click on the **Login to RefWorks** link
  - For the off campus access code, contact Cindy Strong at clstrong@spu.edu
- **Education Websites** click on the **Websites** link on the "Education" Subject Guide on the home page of the library
- **APA Citation Information**
  - 2010 6th edition of the *APA Publication Manual*—Ready Reference section of the library—behind the Reference Desk
  - Purdue OWL Lab http://owl.english.purdue.edu/
  - APA sample paper with reference list http://supp.apa.org/style/PM6E-Corrected-Sample-Papers.pdf

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