**A Step-by-Step Guide for Searching JSTOR**

- JSTOR includes scholarship published in more than 1,400 of the highest-quality academic journals across the humanities, social sciences, and sciences.

- Known as an archival database, it provides users with full text coverage of articles published prior to 2008 (although coverage varies for each journal).

- The entire back runs of journals (from Volume 1, Issue 1) are always included!

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**Advanced Search**

- From the library’s home page, select **Find Articles**.

- Select **Databases Listed by Title**.

- Select **J** then **JSTOR**.

- Choose Advanced Search.

- Search for “social welfare” and poverty. **(You must use quotation marks to identify phrases in this database.)**

- JSTOR includes many book reviews, limit to **Articles** to obtain only scholarly articles.

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**Advanced Search Screen**

You must use quotation marks to identify phrases here!

Use this limit to obtain only scholarly journal articles, it will exclude book reviews.
• Click on **Search** and you obtain over 16,000 results.

• Notice the variety of topics, publication dates and types of journals that are displayed among your results.

• The majority of articles are available in PDF full text directly from the brief results list:

**Brief Results**

16,808 Search Results

(["social welfare") AND (poverty)) AND (city (journal) AND ty (fla))

• Select #3 - The Black Church as a Social Welfare Institution: Union United Church and the Development of Montreal's Black Community, 1907-1940.
- You can obtain the full text and complete citation information directly from the detailed record:

  ➢ Detailed Record

  Click on this link and the Terms and Conditions box will appear.

  Click here to open the PDF Full Text Document.

  Click here to obtain the citation for a bibliography

- The detailed record provides many tools you can use to search for additional relevant articles:
Searching the Detailed Record

A. Click on the **Items by David C. Este** link to obtain other articles by this author in JSTOR.

B. Click on the **References** link to obtain the list of articles and books that the author used to inform his scholarship.

C. JSTOR is connected to Google Scholar. Click on these links to find the related articles that are available in this resource.

D. Use the keywords listed below the abstract to search for relevant articles in future searches. Notice that one of your keywords is listed and highlighted throughout the abstract.

**Keywords:** Black church; religion; social welfare institution; racism
Limiting by Date Range in Advanced Search

- Take advantage of the archival nature of JSTOR by researching the historical aspect of a topic and obtain articles published in the late 1800s and early 1900s.

- Click on **Advanced Search** to obtain a fresh screen.

- Search for “social welfare” and poverty again, limiting to **Articles** and in the date range box, select the date range **1860-1920**.

- Select **Search**.

- At the top of the results page, click the **Sort by** option.

- Change from Relevance to Oldest to Newest and click Go.

**Search Results**
Now, the articles published starting in 1860, will appear first:

This Search returned 144 results all published from 1860-1920!

1. **Journal of the Society for Arts**, Vol. 19, no. 972  
   T. Spencer Cobbold, W. O. Herdman  
   [Page Scan](#)  [Article PDF](#)  [Article Summary](#)

2. **The Modern Type of Oppression**  
   D. A. Wesson  
   [Page Scan](#)  [Article PDF](#)  [Article Summary](#)

3. **Mr. Sully on Pessimism**  
   Caneth Read  
   [Page Scan](#)  [Article PDF](#)  [Article Summary](#)

4. **Thoughts on Universities**  
   [Page Scan](#)  [Article PDF](#)  [Article Summary](#)

5. **Journal of the Society for Arts**, Vol. 35, no. 1787  
   George Watt, Allen Ramsay  
   [Page Scan](#)  [Article PDF](#)  [Article Summary](#)

6. **Notes on the Statistical Determination of the Causes of Poverty**  
   Amos G. Norton  
   [Page Scan](#)  [Article PDF](#)  [Article Summary](#)

Notice the various dates among these results. All articles are available in Full Text from JSTOR.

This article shows how social welfare and poverty were researched and discussed in 1889.

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**Beta Search**

- JSTOR features a new search: Beta Search Option.
- To use this option, click on Search Smarter from the JSTOR homepage:

[Search Smarter Button]
When you click on the title of an article you want to view, the extended brief result appears to the right of the citation in Beta Search:
Limiting by Date Range in Beta Search

- The date range limits are available directly from the main search screen:

1. Click on the arrows to specify a narrower date range: 1888-1981.

2. While the boxes display the new date range, you must select APPLY to implement your change.

3. Use these extracted terms in future searches to find similar articles.

4. Notice how these portions of the text display your keywords prominently.

5. Click here to obtain the article’s detailed record, which displays links to references and Google Scholar.

6. Click here to obtain the PDF Full Text.

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