

Library Orientation

Getting Up to Speed



The Challenge

TODAY

**Information doubling
every 2.5 years.**

2020

**Information doubling
every 73 days.**

Your Options



Learn to search, gather, manage, organize, and archive the information you need to be a successful student and soon-to-be health professional.

Information Resources at Rock Valley College



Information resources include:

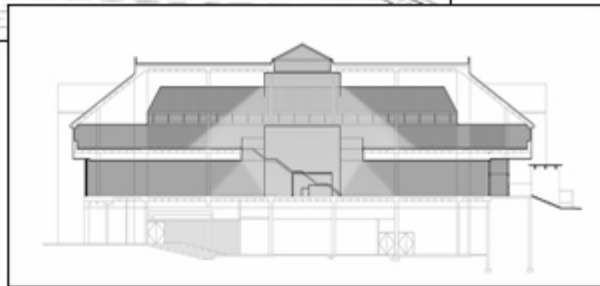
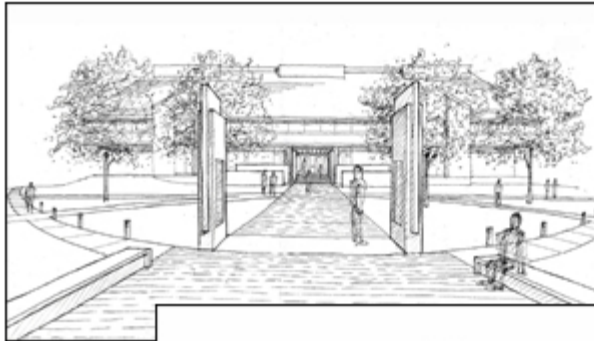
- **instructors and clinical experts**
- **textbooks and other course materials**
- **computer labs**
- **the Estelle M. Black Library and librarians**

Estelle M. Black Library at Rock Valley College



The Estelle M. Black Library maintains a collection of over 100,000 items which includes books and periodicals, audiovisual materials, videotapes, cassettes, slides, films, maps, and compact discs.

Library Renovation



The recent renovation provided a new entrance, new lobby, a variety of study spaces, and interior design improvements to the library.

Renovations to the RVC Library began in June, 2006 and were completed iugust 2007.

Online Library

Rock Valley College
Rockford, Illinois

Academics | Admission | Student Life | Athletics | Student Services | Library | Online

Home | Library

CATALOG QUICK SEARCH


Search for

In this field
Keyword Search


Search

- > Library Catalog
- > Library Collections
- > Library Databases
- > Library Journals
- > Library Instruction
- > Library Services
- > Research Guides
- > Library FAQs
- > Interlibrary Loan
- > Library Staff

Estelle M. Black Library

 [New Rock Valley College Facility to be Named After 'Extraordinary' Librarian](#)

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File size: 81.8 MB

Regular Library Hours – Summer Session II & III 2008
June 9 - July 31, 2008

Monday-Thursday	8 AM to 9 PM
Friday	8 AM to 1 PM
Saturday & Sunday	Closed

The Online Library offers access to:

- Library Catalog
- Collections
- Library databases
- e-journals

<http://library.rvc.cc.il.us/>

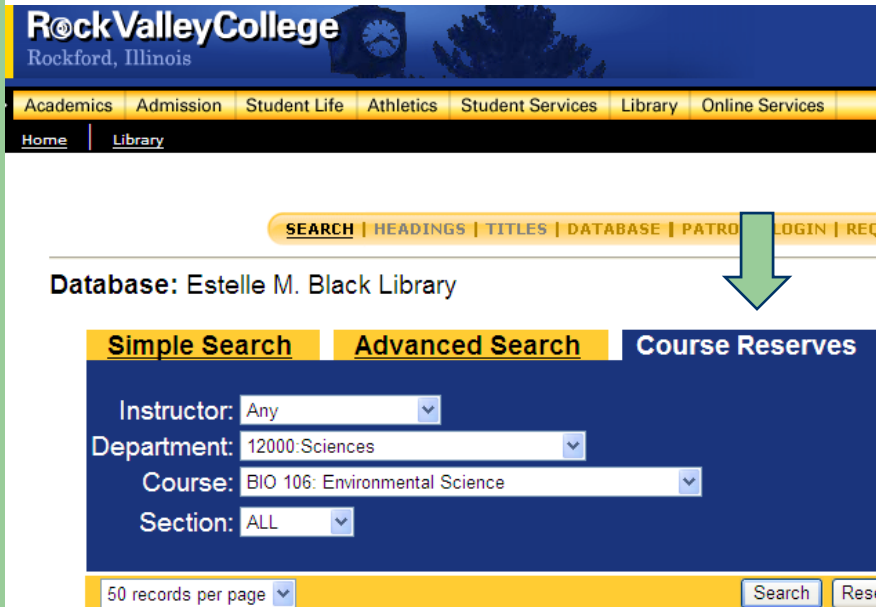
Online Catalog



The screenshot shows a search interface with a purple header and a white search area. The header contains four tabs: "Simple Search", "Keyword Search", "Course Reserves", and "New Books". The "Keyword Search" tab is active. Below the tabs, there are two main sections: "Find This:" and "Find Results:". The "Find This:" section has a text input field and a "Quick Limit:" dropdown menu set to "None". The "Find Results:" section has a dropdown menu with the following options: "Keyword Anywhere", "Author (last name first)", "Author Keyword", "Title Browse", "Call Number Browse", "Subject Browse", "Keyword in Journal Title", and "Publication Date". At the bottom of the search area, there is a "50 records per page" dropdown, "Search" and "Reset" buttons, and a "Limits" button with a pencil icon.

Our *state-of-the-art* online catalog, integrated library system, and internet capabilities offer a wide variety of materials to support the instructional and research needs of students, faculty, staff and district residents.

Course Reserves



The screenshot shows the Rock Valley College Library Catalog interface. At the top, the college name and location are displayed. Below is a navigation menu with links for Academics, Admission, Student Life, Athletics, Student Services, Library, and Online Services. A secondary menu includes SEARCH, HEADINGS, TITLES, DATABASE, PATROL, LOGIN, and REQUEST. The database is identified as Estelle M. Black Library. The 'Course Reserves' tab is selected, showing a search form with dropdown menus for Instructor (Any), Department (12000:Sciences), Course (BIO 106: Environmental Science), and Section (ALL). A '50 records per page' dropdown and 'Search' and 'Reserve' buttons are also visible.

- Course reserves are requested by your instructor
- within the Library
- for limited periods of time

- Select the instructor, department, course, or section for which you v

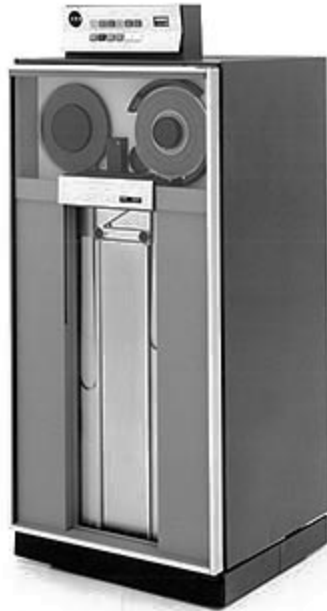
Open Library Catalog > click on Course Reserves tab

Reference Collection



The Reference Collection is selected and acquired to support the research, teaching and information needs of the Rock Valley College with emphasis placed on support of the academic programs.

Online Databases



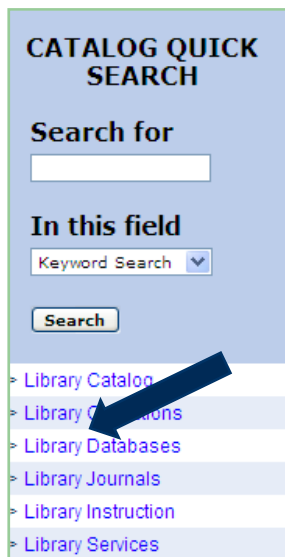
The RVC Library provides access to over 52 online databases for locating magazines, newspapers, journals, and other materials.

The online databases can be searched by subject or alphabetically.

Library Journals

(steps to online access)

1. click on Library Journals



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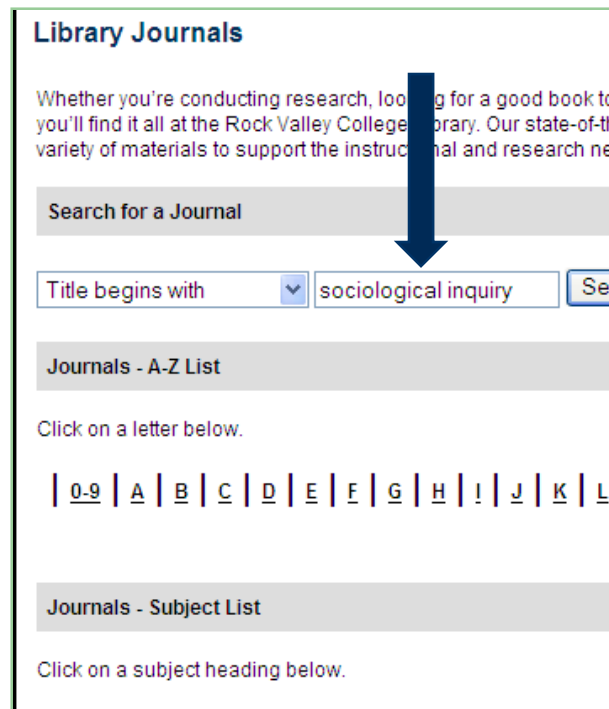
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Keyword Search ▾

Search

- > Library Catalog
- > Library Collections
- > Library Databases
- > **Library Journals**
- > Library Instruction
- > Library Services

2. Type in name of journal example: Sociological Inquiry



Library Journals

Whether you're conducting research, looking for a good book to read, or just browsing, you'll find it all at the Rock Valley College Library. Our state-of-the-art collection includes a variety of materials to support the instructional and research needs of our students and faculty.

Search for a Journal

Title begins with Search

Journals - A-Z List

Click on a letter below.

[0-9](#) | [A](#) | [B](#) | [C](#) | [D](#) | [E](#) | [F](#) | [G](#) | [H](#) | [I](#) | [J](#) | [K](#) | [L](#)

Journals - Subject List

Click on a subject heading below.

Journals are published at regular intervals (e.g., daily, weekly, monthly, quarterly) in a printed copy or online format. You can search a journal by subject or keyword and browse issues online.

Off-Campus Access



Off-Campus access to the Online Library:

- **is available 24/7**
- **can provide full-text books and articles**
- **sometimes requires your Student ID**

Your Student ID appears on your registration statement and is available through the Circulation Desk or the Office of Admissions & Records in the Student Center.

Matching Your Needs to the Information Resource

Need help with a clinical problem?

Consult experts/instructors.

Need facts?

A reference book, encyclopedia, or almanac can help.

Need the latest?

A current journal article could be what you need.

In depth info?

Come to the Library.

How We Can Help

The Estelle M. Black Library and its staff can help you as we provide:

- a collection of materials, both print and electronic, to supplement your textbooks and your teacher's lectures
- personal assistance in finding materials
- computers and Internet access for completing your assignments
- reserve materials set aside by your instructors

How To Get Started

To get started:

- sign-up for a Library & Research Methods class or workshop
- visit or contact a librarian at the Reference Desk of the Estelle M. Black RVC Library
- check on the availability of library resources and materials
- check out the library resources and materials from the Library

Conclusion

**If you have questions
contact us**

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