SOCI 101 notes – Fall 2014

The set-up

* Show assignment, discuss requirements
* Tutorial
* Research Process
* 4 mechanical bits of searching (AND, OR, “ “, and \*)

Background searching:

* Soc. Libguide
* Box for encyclopedia article:
  + Family – didn’t work so well, so families (much better)
  + Keyword – compare the search for *race and college* to *((race or ethnicity) And (college or universit\* or "higher education"))*

Article Searching

* What is a scholarly journal? How focused are the articles?
* Sociological abstracts vs. academic search complete
  + The importance of Limiters
  + Only look for articles in these databases!!!! So limit thereby.
  + Mention ILL
  + Compare with “rape culture” and also “social media”
* Challenges:
  + How do I get things just about the united states?
  + The overlap between Psychology and Sociology – is your topic sociological? Have you chosen a sociological focus to a fundamentally psychological topic?
* Example for Soc.Abs:
* Beauty , note subj. words are “attractiveness” or “body image”; didn’t include idea of culture

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| **Set#** | **Searched for** | **Databases** | **Results** |
| S1 | media and society | Sociological Abstracts | 12634\* |
| S2 | su("mass media") AND su("united states of america") AND su(cultur\*) | Sociological Abstracts | 400° |
| S3 | su("mass media") AND su("united states of america") AND su(cultur\*) AND stype.exact("Scholarly Journals") AND rtype.exact("Journal Article") AND la.exact("English") AND pd(>20041231) | Sociological Abstracts | 89° |
| S4 | beauty | Sociological Abstracts | 1793° |
| S5 | beauty AND yr(2000-2019) | Sociological Abstracts | 1171° |
| S6 | beauty AND (stype.exact("Scholarly Journals") AND yr(2000-2019)) | Sociological Abstracts | 916° |
| S7 | beauty AND (stype.exact("Scholarly Journals") AND subt.exact("attractiveness") AND yr(2000-2019)) | Sociological Abstracts | 413° |
| S8 | beauty AND (stype.exact("Scholarly Journals") AND subt.exact("body image") AND yr(2000-2019)) | Sociological Abstracts | 79° |
| S9 | suicide | Sociological Abstracts | 5574\* |
| S10 | social media | Sociological Abstracts | 28949\* |
| S11 | su(social media and social networks and internet) | Sociological Abstracts | 174° |
| S12 | su(facebook) | Sociological Abstracts | 136° |
| S13 | facebook | Sociological Abstracts | 555° |
| S14 | twitter | Sociological Abstracts | 244° |
| S15 | foursquare | Sociological Abstracts | 10° |
| S16 | pinterest | Sociological Abstracts | 1° |
| S17 | "social media" | Sociological Abstracts | 679° |
| S18 | "social media" AND ("united states" OR american) | Sociological Abstracts | 327° |
| S19 | "social media" AND ("united states" OR american) AND stype.exact("Scholarly Journals") | Sociological Abstracts | 228° |