

# Scrawled shortcuts through the research maze...

For DMin Students on the Fly

## Research in Ministry

Has someone already written my DMin thesis? Check this index to DMin theses, produced by the American Theological Library Association. http://rim.atla.com/star/rimonline\_login.htm

#### **Dissertations and Theses**

And what about all the Drew DMin dissertations? Many of them are fulltext online in this database. Limit your search by Drew=School, D.Min.=Degree, to find them. <a href="http://www.drew.edu/depts/library/er-title.aspx">http://www.drew.edu/depts/library/er-title.aspx</a>

## **Hartford Institute for Religion Research**

Need to know the percentage of women clergy in the church? Check here for facts, statistics, sociological research and the online *Encyclopedia of Religion and Society*. <a href="http://hirr.hartsem.edu/">http://hirr.hartsem.edu/</a>

#### **TextWeek**

What's the Epistle for this week? And which year of the Revised Common Lectionary cycle is it, anyway? Check here for exegetical inspiration, from webmistress J. Woodard.

http://www.textweek.com/

# Oxford Scholarship Online: Religion

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# **Chicago Manual of Style**

How do I footnote an unpaged article in an online database? The online Chicago Manual of Style tells all. [Answer is in rule 17.181, if you can find it!] <a href="http://www.drew.edu/depts/library/er-title.aspx">http://www.drew.edu/depts/library/er-title.aspx</a>

#### Other Online Reference books...

These are multiplying at an alarming rate. See the E-Reference books list on the Library's page, especially *Encyclopedia of Religion*, *Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church*, *Encyclopedia of Social Work* and many others.

http://www.drew.edu/depts/library/er-subject.aspx?category=E-Reference%20Books

# **Drew Library Orientation for DMin Students: Online Guide**

http://users.drew.edu/Erubinst/dmin.htm

Warning: browsing reference books can be mesmerizing!