

Research Orientation for DMin Students

[Library Catalog](#)
[Library Databases](#)

1. Drew Library Homepage

- [Map of the Library](#)
- [Library Hours](#)
- [Circulation Policies](#)
- [My Library Account](#)
- [Methodist Library](#)
- [Summon](#)

2. Borrowing/Accessing Books

- [The Congregational Library](#)
- [Online Books](#)
 - [Ebrary](#)
 - [Oxford Scholarship Online](#)
 - [Ministry Matters](#)
 - DMin Dissertations
 - via [Dissertations and Theses](#) database
 - via Drew [catalog](#) (in simple search enter: (D.Min) and (Drew))
 - Accessing online books through the [Drew catalog](#)
 - Accessing online books through [Summon](#)
 - Accessing (parts of) books through [Google Books](#) [example]
- [Requesting scans of essays in print books](#)

3. Library Catalogs

- Drew Library's [catalog](#)
 - Searching for author and/or title
 - Searching for subject matter ([LCSH](#))
- [Worldcat](#) and [Worldcat.org](#)

4. Subject Encyclopedias

- Databases
 - [Oxford Reference Online](#)
 - [Gale Virtual Reference Library](#)
 - [Credo Reference](#)
 - [Salem History](#)
- Individual Online Titles (most also in print form)
 - [Encyclopedia of Religion](#)
 - [New Catholic Encyclopedia](#) (see under Religion)
 - [Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church](#)
 - [Encyclopedia of World Methodism](#), vol 1 and vol 2
 - [Dictionary of Pastoral Care and Counseling](#)
 - [New Interpreter's Handbook of Preaching](#)
 - [Encyclopedia of Postmodernism](#)
 - [Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature](#)
 - [Encyclopedia of Social Work](#)
 - [Leading Forward: Successful Public Leadership amidst Complexity, Chaos and Change](#)
 - [Doing Qualitative Community Research](#)
 - [Qualitative Research in Action](#)
 - [Research Interviewing: The Range of Techniques](#)
- Some useful titles in print form
 - [New Westminster Dictionary of Liturgy and Worship](#), 2002 (Ref. BV173 .N49)
 - [New Westminster Dictionary of Christian Spirituality](#), 2005 (Ref. BV4488 .N49)
 - [Concise Encyclopedia of Preaching](#), 1995 (Ref. BV4211.2 .C583)
 - [Encyclopedia of Leadership](#), 2004 (Ref. HD57.7 .E53)
- Finding reference sources on your own
 - Through the library [catalog](#) (select Advanced Search, and under "Materials" select Reference Books)
 - Through [Summon](#) (after your search, from the limiters on the left select Reference)
 - Through a library shortcut: [Reference Works](#)
 - Through a [librarian](#)

5. Bibliography

- [Religion Compass](#)
- [Oxford Bibliographies Online: Biblical Studies](#)

6. Periodical Databases

- [ATLA](#) (see under [A](#) here) [a [guide](#), & [another guide](#)]
- OT and NT Abstracts (see under [O](#) or [N](#) here)
- PsycInfo (see under [P](#) here) (for pastoral psychology and leadership studies)

- SocIndex ([see under S here](#))
- Academic Search Premier ([see under A here](#))
- Business Source Elite ([see under B here](#)) (for leadership studies)
- ERIC ([under E here](#)) (for leadership studies in education)
- [Ethnic Newswatch](#)
- [Summon](#), to find journal articles
- [Google Scholar](#) ([set to Drew](#) under Library Links)

7. Some Individual Journal titles

- [Theology Today](#)
- [Christian Century](#)
- [Living Pulpit](#)
- [Interpretation](#)
- [Finding journal titles at Drew](#)

8. Recommended Public Websites

- [Research in Ministry](#) [index to DMin dissertations]
- [Theological Research Exchange Network](#)
- [Text This Week](#)
- [Unbound Bible](#)
- [Strong's Concordance](#)
- [Graffiti for DMin Students on the Fly](#)
- for a great classified list of websites in religious studies: [Wabash Center](#)
- for a classified list of Drew-recommended websites check under Religion and Theology [here](#)

9. Bibliographic Style

- [Chicago Manual of Style](#)
- [A Guide from the University of Wisconsin-Madison](#)
- [A Guide from the University of Wisconsin-Parkside](#)
- [A handy print guide](#)
- [Converting from library style to Chicago style](#)
- [Endnote](#) citation manager

10. Some Guides to Writing

- *[The Seminary Student Writes](#)*
- *["They Say / I Say": Moves that Matter in Academic Writing](#)*
- *[First We Read, Then We Write: Emerson on the Creative Writing Process](#)*
- [Questions of copyright for dissertation writers](#)