

Using Bibliographies to Locate Literature

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What is a bibliography?

A bibliography is a list of citations to publications including abstracts, annotations, or other material about the publications. Bibliographies are formatted according to specific patterns and citation styles.

There are several types of bibliographies including subject, serial, annotated, retrospective, and current bibliographies. Each serves a different purpose.

CALiOTM Bibliographies

CALiOTM bibliographies are subject bibliographies. Publications listed within the bibliographies focus upon a specific subject. Unless otherwise stated, publications are listed in date descending order. Scope notes are provided at the beginning of each bibliography to provide understanding of the coverage and arrangement. Whenever possible, links to open access publications are provided in CALiOTM bibliographies.

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