1. Practical Informations

✔ Please use our website to access resources. All relevant links are gathered:
  ➢ Electronic resources (press, on line journals, dictionnaries and encyclopaedias, databases...)
  ➢ Catalogue to localise printed items (books, periodicals, thesis...) and some ebooks
  ➢ One Search direct access to on line academic articles and e-book

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2. A starter: encyclopaedias and general tools

➢ EncyclopaediaBritannica: expert articles enhanced by other media, timelines, atlas and a comparing country tool...
➢ Oxford Language Dictionaries: bilingual dictionary french/english, english/french
➢ Oxford Reference Online: ressources and reference ebooks

3. To read press or to find a press article

✔ Use specialized providers searching by key words, date or language.
➢ Europresse: French press database including Le Monde. 8 simultaneous connexions only, so please don’t forget to click on “déconnexion” when you’ve finished.
➢ Factiva: More than 35.000 sources from all over the world in 26 languages: newspapers, magazines, news agency dispatches, market information and firms details.

4. To find an academic online article

✔ Use One Search if you know the article’s title.

✔ Use Online journals if you only know the journal title.

Exemple: you’re looking for an article published in 1979 in International affairs
1. Get to Online journals page
2. Enter the title in the search field (make sure you have selected “Title begins with” or “Title contains all words”)
3. Select relevant access according to the year you look for (different providers depending on holding years)

4. Select one of them

5. Translating and defining
   ➢ Grand Robert 🇫🇷: the reference dictionary for French language
   ➢ Oxford Language Dictionary 🇬🇧: bilingual dictionary English / French

6. Find resources by discipline

✔ Use subject related databases

Exemple: need international relations resources
   1. Get to Electronic resources page
   2. Select “International Relations” in the Subjects list
3. Browse result list to access relevant resources

7. Electronic resources by subject

(If the link does not open the electronic resource automatically, please type the name of the resource on top right research tool)

**Interdisciplines**

- **Ebook Central / EBL** (Proquest): platform giving access to 700,000 ebooks in English. Only the books purchased by the Sciences Po library are available in full text. You need to Register the first time, on Sciences Po campus. Do not hesitate to suggest the purchase of ebooks.

- **JSTOR**: electronic database which provides access to academic journal articles, books and primary sources. Collections available at Sciences Po: Arts and Sciences

- **Sage Research Methods online**: provides 2,000 methods, theories and terms, across qualitative, quantitative and mixed method in the social sciences. Launching with over 100,000 pages of book, journal and reference content from leading global authors.
For PSIA students

- **Columbia International Affairs Online, CIAO** covers theory and research in international affairs. It publishes a wide range of scholarship from 1991 onward that includes working papers from university research institutes, occasional papers series from NGOs, foundation-funded research projects, proceedings from conferences, books, journals and policy briefs.

- **Keesing’s online**: Monthly digest of worldwide political, diplomatic and economic affairs.

- **Political Science Complete (Ebsco)** provides full text for over 400 publications, and cover-to-cover indexing and abstracts for more than 800 journals. The database also features more than 337 full-text reference books and monographs, and over 27,000 full text conference papers, including those of the International Political Science Association.

- **SIPRI Yearbook online**: known worldwide as an essential and independent source for issues on armament and arms control, conflicts and resolution, security arrangements and disarmament, as well as longer-term trends in international security. This is published by the Stockholm Peace Research Institute.

- **Yearbook of international organizations online**: This directory provides a worldwide listing of over 67,000 international organisations and associations worldwide. Use this to locate organisations by location or domain of activity.

For Master “Governing the large metropolis” students

- **Business source complete, BSC** (Ebsco): references and full-text access to journals (3,800) and author profiles (40,000), economic reports by country (1,700), SWOT analyzes (3,500), market analyzes (2,500) industry analyzes (20,000), company profiles (18,000). Also 930 specialized ebooks are available.

- **Sciences Po Cartothèque**: free access database of maps and graphics of contemporary world space. It is proposed by the Sciences Po Atelier de cartographie.

- **IBSS, International Bibliography of the Social Sciences** (Proquest): contains references and the full text of a selection of international publications: books and articles from more than 2,600 journals in economics, political science, sociology and anthropology since 1951.
➢ **Khartis** (Français and English): This tool was developed by the Sciences Po Atelier de cartographie, enabling you to easily create your own maps from several basemaps available with different geographical divisions.

➢ **SocINDEX with Full Text** (Ebsco): sociology research database. It contains full text for 777 journals dating back to 1908. This database also includes full text for more than 820 books and monographs, and full text for 13,947 conference papers.

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**For School of Public Affairs students**

➢ **Eur-Lex** : provides free access to European Union law and other documents considered to be public. The website is available in 23 official languages of the European Union. The contents of the site amount to some 2 815 000 documents with texts dating back to 1951.

➢ **IBSS, International Bibliography of the Social Sciences** (Proquest) : contains references and the full text of a selection of international publications: books and articles from more than 2,600 journals in economics, political science, sociology and anthropology since 1951.

➢ **LegiFrance** (Français): official portal offering public access to the legislation and case law of France. Contains English translations of French codes currently in force.

➢ **Political Science Complete** (Ebsco) : provides full text for over 400 publications, and cover-to-cover indexing and abstracts for more than 800 journals. The database also features more than 337 full-text reference books and monographs, and over 27,000 full text conference papers, including those of the International Political Science Association.

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For School of Management and Innovation students


- **Banque mondiale** (free access to World Bank publications: 1,100 ebooks, 2,800 working papers, 1,300 journal articles, annual reports, ...)

- **Business source complete, BSC** (Ebsco): business research database, providing full text for more than 3,800 journals, 40,000 author profiles, 1,700 country reports, 3,500 SWOT analyses, 2,500 market reports, 20,000 industry profiles, 18,000 company profiles, 930 ebook. Includes the prestigious *Harvard Business Review*.

- **Econlit** (Ebsco): References since 1969 journal articles, books and working papers in economics (with abstracts).

- **The Economist**: English-language weekly magazine-format newspaper. It is one of the world's leading periodicals. Access to the publication since 1992 from the base Proquest Business Collection

- **The Financial Times**: business daily in Europe. Access since 2005 via the FT.com platform. You must register on the FT platform ("register"), using your institutional e-mail address, from a Sciences Po computer; then connect wherever you are ("sign in"). To read the newspaper from May 1995 access via the Proquest Business Collection database

- **OECD iLibrary**: access to the OECD's online library of statistical databases, books and periodicals

- **Proquest Business Collection**: combines 5 databases, by adding specialty business subject resources to the broad coverage of ABI/INFORM Complete. The Collection consists of: ABI/INFORM Collection; Accounting, Tax and Banking Collection; Asian and European Business Collection; Business Market Research Collection and Entrepreneurship Database
8. External sources

➢ **Google scholar**: it is a Google service for targeted research on academic and academic work, with a multi-lingual academic focus. There are articles reviewed by peer review committees, dissertations, books, abstracts or technical reports in several research areas.

➢ **SUDOC, catalogue des bibliothèques universitaires françaises**: makes it possible to locate items available all over France. To be used especially if the Sciences Po library does not have a copy of a document. Via the Inter-library loan service you can request the loan of books, dissertations or theses held in French (except in Paris and the Paris region) and foreign libraries.

➢ In partnership with the Urban School, students of this School have access to the **media library of the IAU île-de-France**: provides 150,000 multimedia documents on the fields of urban organization, architecture, local governments, environment, local finances, housing, landscape, nuisances, local public transports and town planning.

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