Independent Study

SSW 258

TOPIC

Foster care and the challenges of aging out youth. Researching the benefits of natural mentoring. The term “natural mentor” refers to nonparental, caring adults whom youths select from their existing social networks, such as teachers, coaches, pastors, or adult relatives.

Search Discover [http://library.humber.ca/](http://library.humber.ca/)

**Keyword development** - phrase searching

1. **Simple narrow search strategy**
   - "foster care" "aging out” mentoring

2. **A more complex broader search strategy uses the connector OR for more results**
   - “foster care” (“aging out” OR adolescents OR “older youth” OR “transitional age youth” OR “emancipated youth”) (“natural mentoring” OR mentoring)

3. Adding a geographic location such as Canada can be done in the Discover search box or by using the geographic location field in the Advanced Search

**Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

Filter your results. On the left-hand side of the page filter by selecting:

   a. Available Online ✓
   b. Peer-Review ✓
   c. Journal Article ✓
   d. Subject terms (optional)
   e. Date range (optional)

Article that I found using the keywords listed above.


   o **Paragraph 2.2.1 in this article shows the search strategy for their Literature and Data Search.**
Book Chapters

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- Filter for book chapters on the left-hand side of the page under **Content Type**

Government Publications

- [Ontario Ministries](#)
- [Canadian Government Departments](#)

Legislation

- [Ontario Government Legislation - E-Laws](#)
- [Canadian Government Legislation](#)

Government Information Related to Foster Care

- [Ontario. Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services](#)
- [Child Youth and Family Services Act 2017](#)

Social Service Agency Publications

- [Toronto 211](#)
- [Ontario 211](#)

Position Papers Advocacy Sites


Canadian Documents Collection

Provides access to titles from Canadian public policy institutes, government agencies and university research centres. Includes Canadian Public Policy and Canadian Health Research Collections.

On the library homepage, [https://library.humber.ca/](https://library.humber.ca/) select **More Options** under the **Discover** box to find the **Database List** and select the letter ‘C’ for the **Canadian Documents Collection**.


**DOMAIN searches**

Also, search for resources by going to the websites of organizations, government agencies, non-profit agencies, professional associations, educational institutions.

Search the address using their DOMAIN. An example of a domain is nativechild.org, which is part of the URL for Native Child and Family Services [https://www.nativechild.org/](https://www.nativechild.org/)

These operators indicate the type of entity.

- site:org for organizations *for example* “foster care” site:org
- site:edu for educational institutions
- site:gov for government departments
- site:net for networks

**Canadian Media Sources**

On the library homepage [https://library.humber.ca/](https://library.humber.ca/) select More Options under the Discover box and select NEWS

- Canadian Newsstream
- Canadian Reference Centre
- CBCA Complete
- CPI.Q Canadian
- Infotrac Newsstand (Canadian, US and international newspapers plus local Ontario newspapers)

**Recommended Resources**

**APA Format Videos**

- APA in Minutes

**The Writing Centre**

- Building F201
- Make an appointment 416-6622 ext. 3313 or select the link below for an online session.
- One-to-One online tutoring session

**Annotated Bibliographies**

Provided by the [University of Guelph](http://library.guelph.ca/)

**Literature Review**

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