Selected Resources for Public Affairs 4011
Capstone Policy Analysis & Applications
Online guide: https://go.osu.edu/785  (Link to Public Affairs 4011)

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Public Affairs Resources:  https://go.osu.edu/78b
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Find Resources in OSU Libraries and Ohiolink:
  OSU Libraries Catalog:  http://library.ohio-state.edu/
  OhioLINK Catalog:  http://olc1.ohiolink.edu/search

Sample Subject Headings used in library catalogs:
Nonprofit organizations -- Management
Student loans -- United States

Sample keyword searches  (use quotes for phrases; * finds industry, industrial etc.)
“student debt”
“climate change” and cities
medicaid and alternative*

Find Articles and Books:  (See also Public Affairs Articles… section of https://go.osu.edu/78b)

Academic Search Complete
Interdisciplinary resource to find articles in scholarly journals and popular periodicals. Dates of coverage vary with source.

Academic OneFile
Interdisciplinary resource to find articles in scholarly journals and popular periodicals. Dates of coverage vary with source.

Public Affairs Index
Public Affairs Index offers access to selected journal articles on all aspects of global contemporary public policy issues ranging from public health, the environment, housing, human and civil rights, to international conflict and natural disasters.

Social Sciences Abstracts
Find scholarly articles in various subjects including community health and medical care, economics, ethnic studies, gerontology, law and criminology, minority studies, planning and public administration, policy science and corrections, political science, psychology, public welfare, sociology, and urban studies

CQ Electronic Library - Find policy discussions in CQ Researcher (1923-). Other resources are also available including local and state statistical data and US Congressional information.

Selected Newspaper Sources

Access World News  updated daily; dates of coverage vary
Selected US and international newspapers, blogs, newswires, journals, broadcast transcripts and videos. This database includes various Ohio newspapers. Select USA-Ohio from left column under “shortcuts.”
Nexis Uni updated daily; dates of coverage vary
Provides access to selected newspapers, legal journals, and federal and state court cases.

Selected Data Resources

Data-Planet Statistical DataSets
"Assembles statistical information from government and private sources...[You may] manipulate datasets, make comparisons, chart trends over time and spatially represent data without having to use additional software programs.

Statistical Abstract of the United States (1878-1963; 2013-- annual volumes)
Search one annual file at a time. Data on social, economic, health, demographic, and foreign statistical data.

Social Explorer - Build tables or maps with demographic information about the United States from the census

State & Local Government Finances - US Census data on government revenues and expenses and also public schools.

State and U.S. Legislative and Regulatory Information

State/Local Legislative and Regulatory Information
Links to each state's websites for legislation, statutes, and regulations.

Federal Funded Programs
Provides key information federally funded programs: objectives, application information, recent budget figures, links to program web page, and often has references to the Code of Federal Regulation. USE QUOTES AROUND A PHRASE

Federal Law and Congressional Publications
Congress.gov Offers access to publications from Congress since the 1990s, the President and other government sources

GovInfo
Congressional hearings, reports, documents since the mid1990s; U.S. statutes, regulations (ALL YEARS OF Federal Register; 1996-present of Code of Federal Regulations). Enter keywords and choose document type from list.

ProQuest Congressional
(1789-present); dates vary for publications. Congressional reports and documents, bills, public laws and hearing testimony, Congressional Record, legislative histories, information on members of Congress; federal regulations. Congressional Research Service (CRS) reports

Government Sponsored Research Studies and Think Tank Studies

Public Access National Technical Reports Library Search
NTIS database is the preeminent resource for accessing information about the latest research sponsored by the United States and select foreign governments.

Congressional Research Services (CRS) Reports
At Proquest Congressional database, 1) go to advanced menu, 2) uncheck all boxes in left column, 3) check CRS Reports, 4) search with keywords (uses quotes for a phrase)

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