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1. On internet at http://firstsearch.oclc.org or on Library page on SaintsNet
2. Enter Authorization & Password if using internet. No Authorization or Password needed if entering through SaintsNet.
3. Contact Library staff at ext 44566 to get Authorization & Password, if needed.
4. Click on LIST ALL (under "Databases") to see list of all available databases.
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Huge database containing about 280 million records of books, periodicals, audiovisuals, sound recordings, etc., in over 470 different languages. Also lists libraries owning these items. Before 1000 B.C. – present.

ARTICLEFIRST (some full-text articles)
Over 27 million article references in science, medicine, social sciences, etc. 1990 - present.

CLASE AND PERIODICA (some full-text articles)
Index of Latin American journals in the sciences and humanities. Over 600,000 references from 1975 - present.

EBOOKS (OCLC Electronic Books) (full-text if owned by SJH Library)
Check “Items in my library” box to access full-text electronic books available if owned by SJH Library.

ELECTRONIC COLLECTIONS ONLINE (ECO) (full-text if owned by SJH Library)
Over 4.2 million full-text articles from 5400 journals in a wide variety of subject areas. Full-text available only if SJH Library subscribes to journal. 1995 – present.

ERIC (many full-text documents and articles)
Over 1.3 million references to literature re education and teaching. Includes articles, reports, theses, conference papers, etc. 1966 - present.

GPO MONTHLY CATALOG
500,000 cites to US Gov publications-- including Congressional reports, debates & hearings, etc. 1976 – present.

ILLINOIS CATALOG
Millions of records of books, videos, and journal titles owned by libraries throughout Illinois. Indicates which libraries own items and whether items are available or checked out.

MEDLINE (many with abstracts)
More than 20 million references to articles from the worldwide medical literature. 1950 - present.

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Over 23 million records of digital resources, including books, articles, audio files, images, movies, theses, etc.

PAPERSFIRST
Index of over 6.5 million papers presented worldwide at conferences, meetings, symposia, etc. 1993 – present.

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References to conference proceedings, etc. (See PapersFirst for individual conference papers.) 1993 - present.

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