

## Types of available materials at the Criss Library:

- Videos
- Reference materials
- Books/Dissertations
- Magazines
- Electronic resources
- Indexes and Abstracts
- WWW sites

- You will also want to consult two additional Aviation handouts to help with your research:
  - **SELECTED INFORMATION SOURCES FOR AVIATION** will give you information on directories, handbooks, catalogs, dictionaries, guides, encyclopedias, statistical sources, and other reference books and publications.
  - **SELECTED AVIATION AND TRANSPORTATION PERIODICALS** contains aviation-related magazines, journals, newspapers, and newsletters.

- Remember that information regarding aviation topics may appear in sources not necessarily aviation oriented. So you will want to be on the lookout when browsing through non-aviation resources.

## → VIDEOS

Are located in the northeast section of the second floor. Use the Library Catalog to find the kind of video you are looking for. You will want to use a **subject or advanced keyword search**, then limit your search by location (**Media Coll.**). The library has videos ranging from black aviators in the early part of the 20th century to King aviation videos.

## → ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

**IMPORTANT!!!** Remember that when you search for a specific topic, try using **different word combinations**. It often makes a difference in what you find. Often using the word “and” between two words, such as “women and pilots”, may increase the number of entries that are found in an index.

- **LIBRARY CATALOG** (On-line Public Access Catalog) <http://catalog.lib.unomaha.edu/>

Search the Library Catalog to find books and other materials (video/audio/government documents) in the Criss library and to identify the titles of periodicals to which UNO Library subscribes. You can search for information on aviation topics by searching subjects such as AERONAUTICS or by keywords such as AVIATION. You would also use the catalog or Locate Journals after searching an index to see if UNO carries a particular publication. If they do not, you can order the article or book through Interlibrary Loan or you can check other local libraries to see if they have what you need. You can get into the catalog in the Library, from computer user rooms on-campus and from off-campus as well. Ask a reference librarian for more information on connecting to the Library Catalog.

## → Electronic Indexes

Go to the Library's Web page at <http://library.unomaha.edu> The main page will lead you to indexes and other sources of information about your topic. The **Find Articles in Databases** section allows you to access many of the indexes from on campus or off-campus. Also check out the **Research Wizard** (under Research Tools) for guidance in researching specific subjects.

### → ABI/Inform

This source indexes over 1800 periodicals (magazines and journals) about business. **ABI/Inform** can be used to identify articles about aviation management and the aerospace industry, including companies such as airlines and aircraft manufacturers. Many of the articles in ABI are available full text.

### → Academic Search Premier (EBSCO)

This source indexes over 4,000 magazines and journals in the areas of social science, science, humanities and general interest with many titles having the full text of their articles included. This index has some company information and general information about aviation.

### → Business Search Premier (EBSCO)

This database indexes magazines and journals in business and related topics. It includes local and regional business publications and trade and industry publications as well as general business magazines and scholarly business journals. It can be used to identify articles about aviation management and the aerospace industry, including companies such as airlines and aircraft manufacturers. This includes the full text of articles for many of the publications.

### → Congressional Universe

Indexes congressional publications; includes legislative history of bills, hearings, committee reports, etc.

### → ERIC (Education Resources Information Center) (Cambridge)

This computer database corresponds to two printed indexes titled RIE (*Resources in Education*) and CIJE (*Current Index to Journals in Education*). ERIC can be used to identify articles and reports on topics in education, **including aerospace and aviation.**

### → GPO (Government Printing Office) (FirstSearch)

GPO corresponds to the print *Monthly Catalog of the U.S. Government Printing Office*. It includes all government documents published through GPO, including those from the Federal Aviation Administration and its parent organization, the U.S. Department of Transportation.

### → LEXIS-NEXIS Academic

LEXIS provides access to news, business, legal and medical information. Most of this information is available in a full-text format, often within twenty-four hours of publication.

Examples include the full text of national and regional newspapers, company news, and transcripts of radio and tv news broadcasts.

→ **NASA Astrophysics Data System Abstracts Service**

Topics indexed include astronomy, astrophysics, space instrumentation, physics, geophysics, and engineering. In addition to journals, this covers colloquia & symposia proceedings, internal NASA reports, and dissertations from 1975 to the present.

→ **NASA Center for Aerospace Information Technical Report Server**

This NASA resource covers aerospace, aeronautics and related fields. It includes Scientific and Technical Aerospace Reports (STAR), journal articles and conference proceedings (Open Literature file series) and citations from the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (NACA) collections. NASA papers date from 1962 to the present; NACA from 1915 to 1960.

→ **PAIS INTERNATIONAL** (Cambridge)

**PAIS International** indexes social science journals, book chapters and government documents with an emphasis on contemporary social, economic and political issues and the making and evaluating of public policy.

→ **PsycINFO** (Psychology literature) (EBSCO)

Provides indexing and abstracts for over one million articles in 1,400 journals from over 50 countries. This database, provided by the American Psychological Association, also includes abstracts for dissertations, books and book chapters ranging in date from 1887 to the present.

→ **Safety Science and Risk Abstracts** (Cambridge)

This covers topics such as risk, safety, accidents, human factors, etc.

→ **Sociological Abstracts** (Cambridge)

This resource indexes journals in sociology and related disciplines and can be used to identify articles concerning **aviation and sociology**.

→ **TRIS**

The TRIS Database contains over half a million records of references to books, technical reports, conference proceedings, journal articles and on-going research in the field of transportation.

→ **PRINT AVIATION INDEX**

**Aviation Tradescan**                      Ref TL501 .A94

This index goes back to 1985 and will allow you to research topics such as "Fixed Based Operator". Under this heading you will find citations for articles for that year, divided by month. You can then scan the articles listed and see if any of them fit your research needs. This is a good source of information. Other topics include "aviation medicine", "general aviation", "airlines", and many other topics.

## → WEB ADDRESS

→ To access the Aviation Institute home page on the World Wide Web, the address is <http://ai.unomaha.edu/> There you will find information regarding many aspects of aviation and a great amount of information about the Institute and what is going on during the semester. Check it out!