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## **Essential Databases**

*Soc Index with Full Text*. Provides full text journal articles many in pdf format from core sociology journals and related disciplines such as social work and criminology.

*Sociological Abstracts.* You will find abstracts of journal articles, book chapters, conference papers and dissertations in sociology and related social and behavioral sciences. Use the **Get Text** feature to find electronic copies of articles or check the SJSU Library Catalog for print subscriptions.

*JSTOR.* A full text database which includes 128 journals in the field of Sociology. It does not include the 5 most recent years of these journals.

*Sage Journals Online*. Provides the full text of articles from 78 sociology journals and 27 journals in criminology. This database provides full text of many of the articles located in the *Sociological Abstracts* database.

## Other useful databases

Academic Search Premier. Provides subject indexing and full text access to periodicals in many academic disciplines.

*Criminal Justice Abstracts.* You will find abstracts of journal articles in the areas of criminology, corrections and policing.

*Social Sciences Full Text*. Indexes journal articles in a broad array of social science disciplines and provides *some* full text of articles.

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Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center

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