Animal Law Research

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What we will cover

- I. Tools for picking a paper topic
- II. Conducting a thorough literature review
- III.Note-taking tools and avoiding plagiarism

IV. Citation style

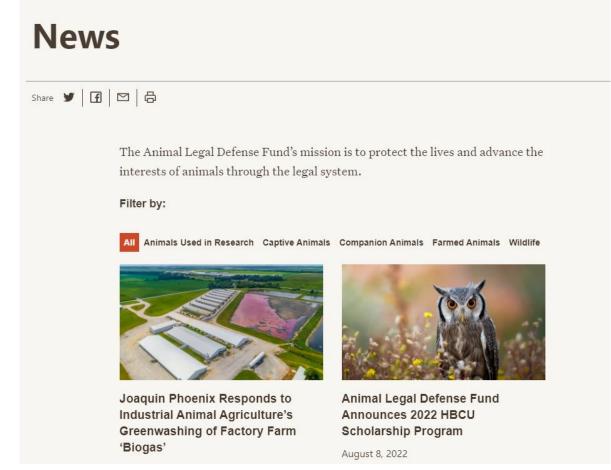
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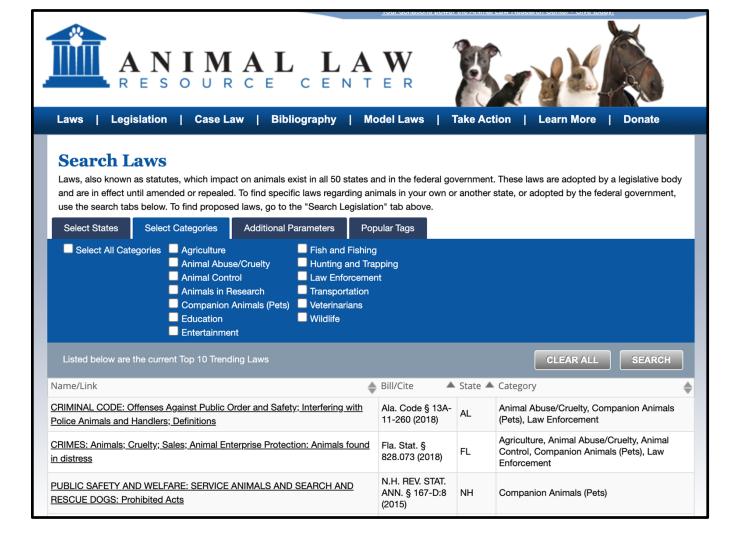
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 - Google News, LexisNexis, Factiva
- Legal blogs ("blawgs")
 - Assess your sources (consider bias and whether the blog is well-sourced, attributed to an author, and current)
- Journals and Law Reviews
 - Check to make sure your topic has not already been covered
 - Look for ideas on how to frame your topic





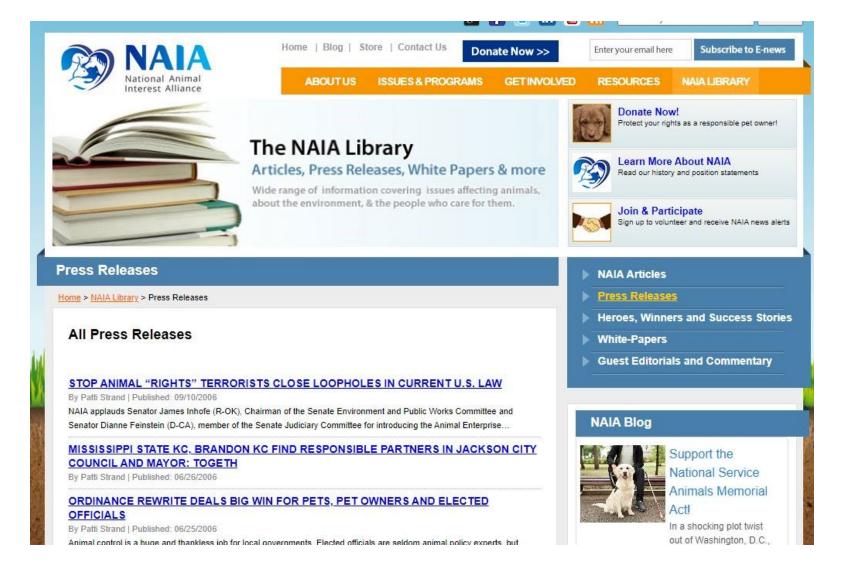


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- Research & Note Taking
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- SafeAssign
- Getting Published

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Books, Journal Articles, and Research Guides

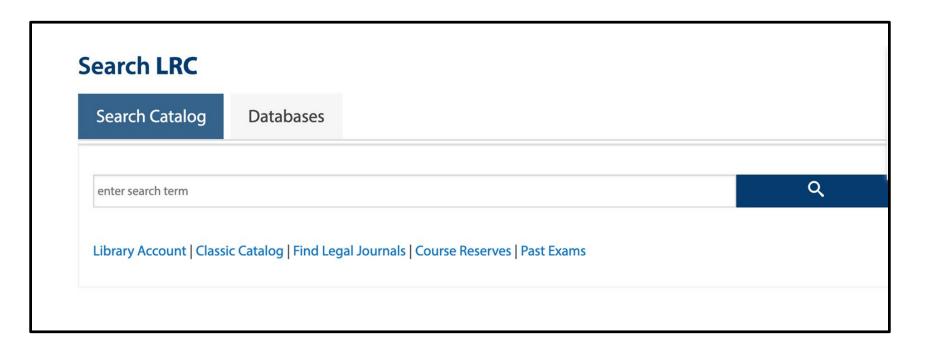


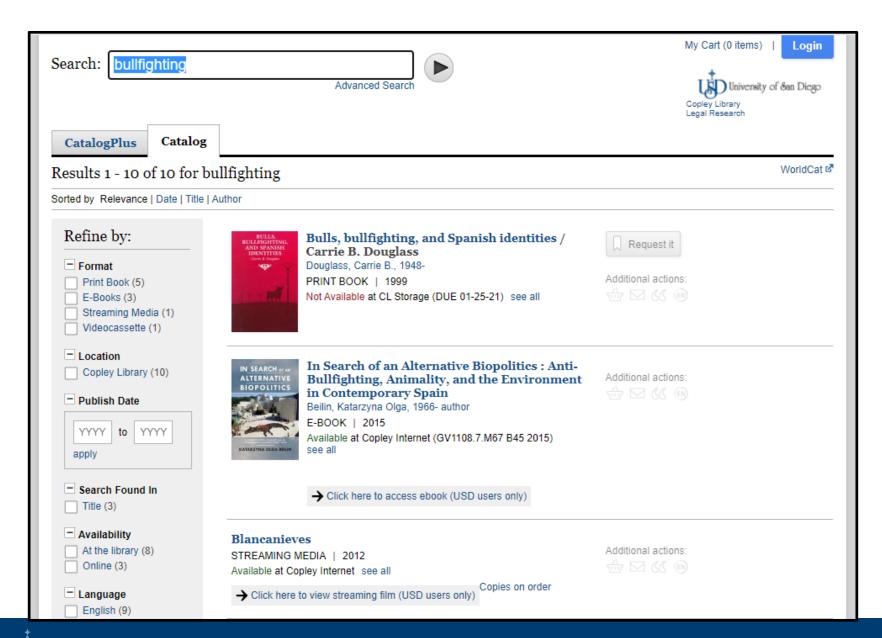
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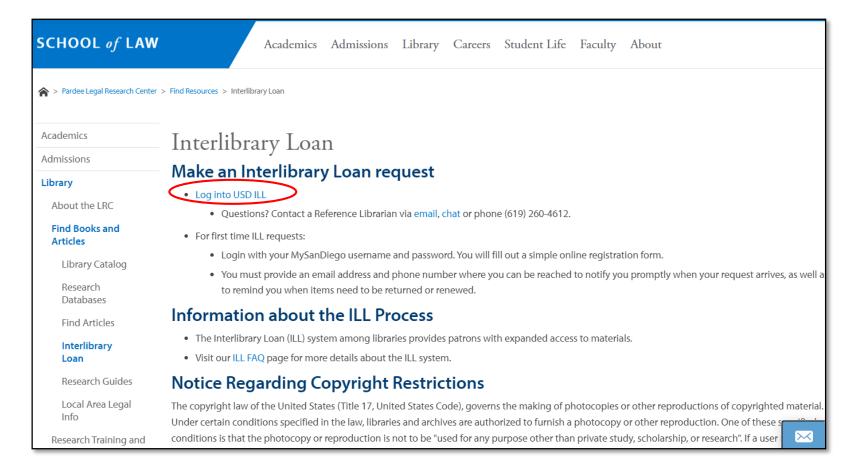
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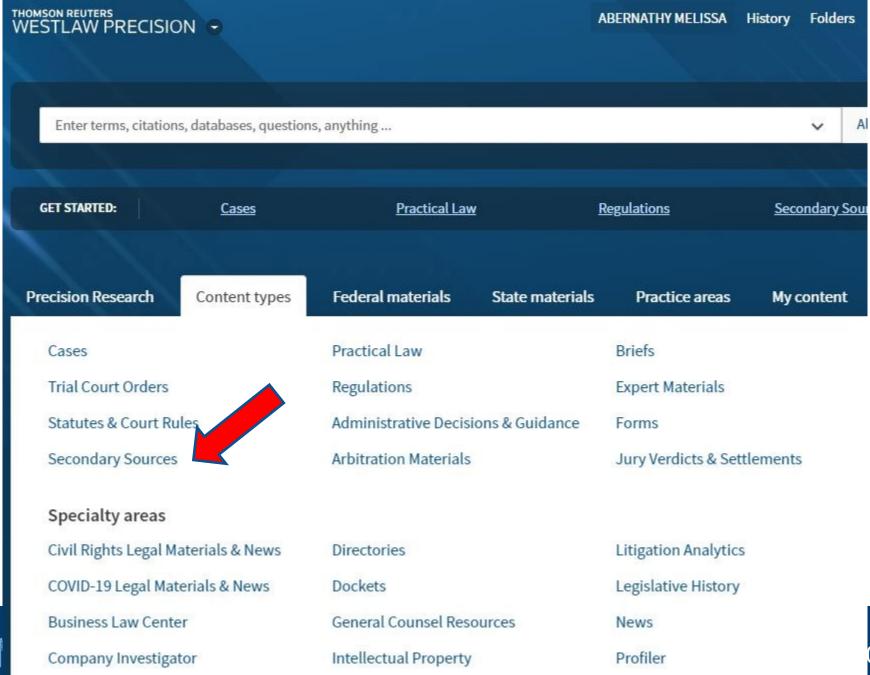
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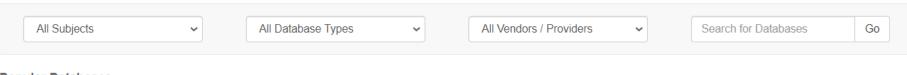
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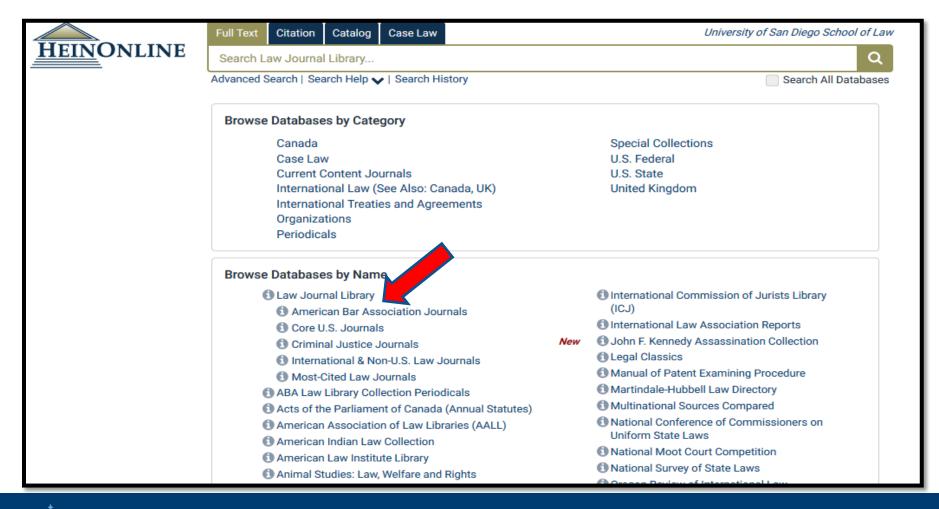
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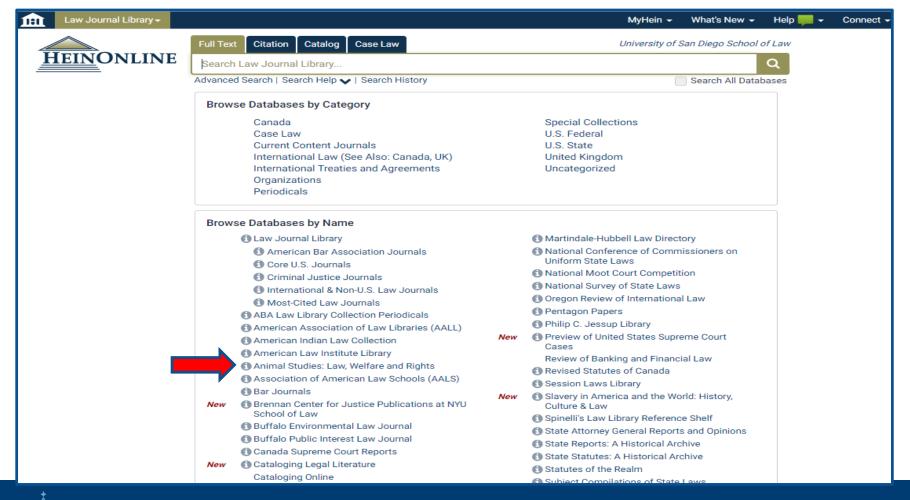
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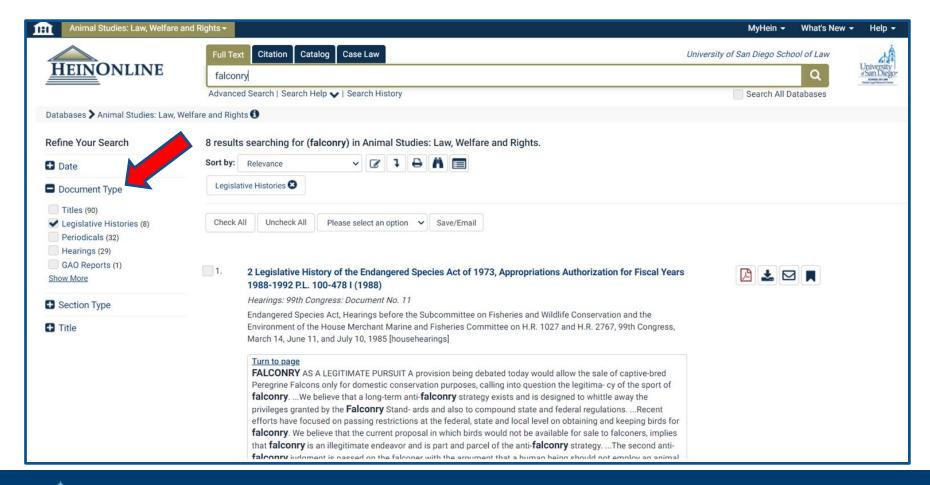
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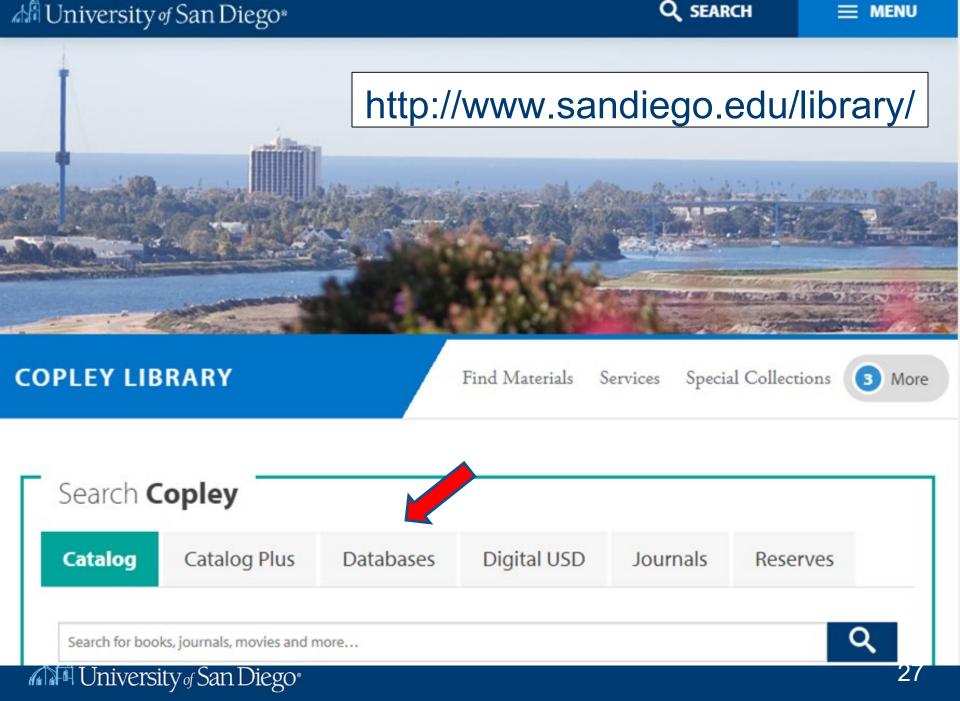
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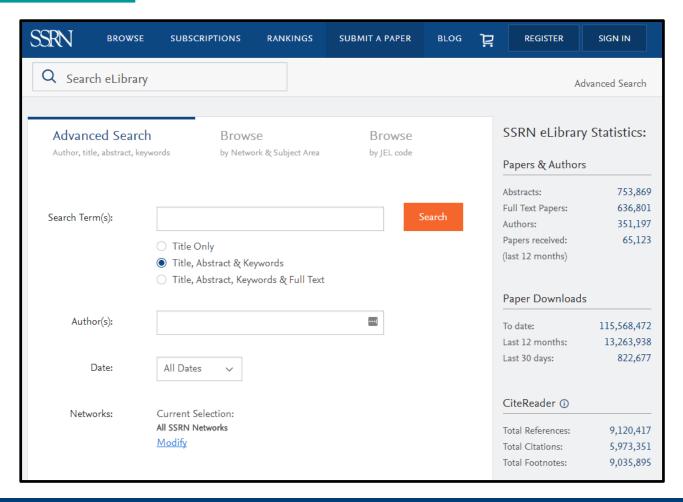


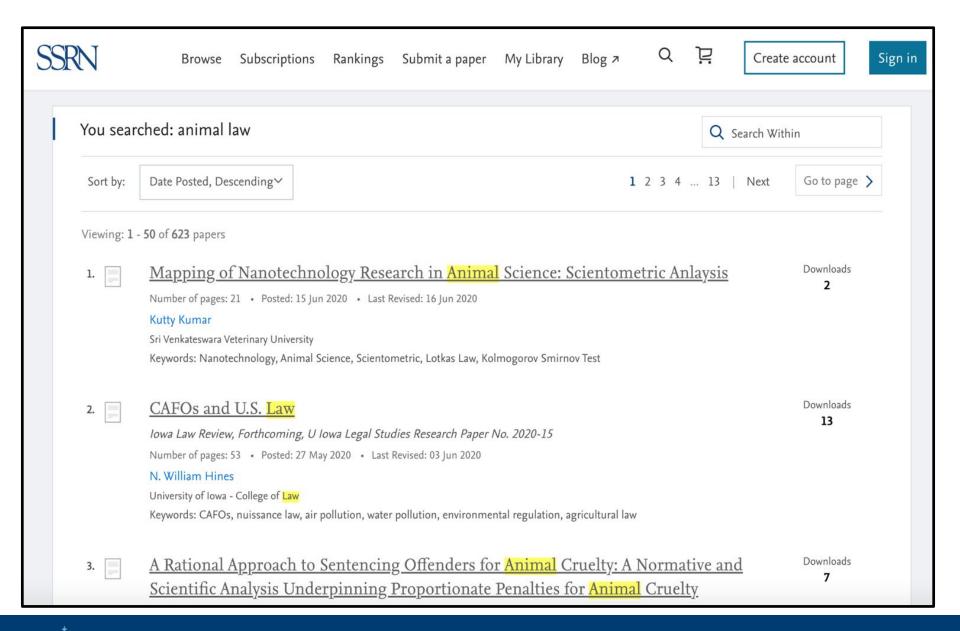
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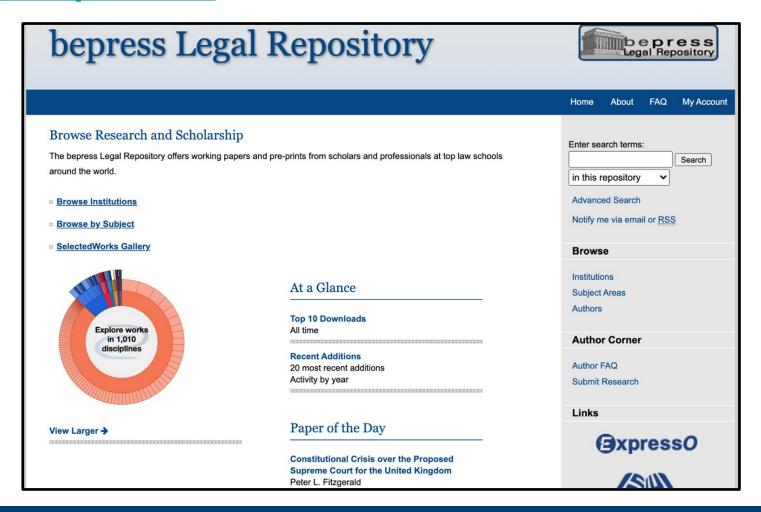


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- LLMs are trained on the internet but are not a search engine by themselves.
- LLMs predict what each word of a response should be based on training.
 - Hallucinations
 - Training limited in time
 - Inherent bias from training sources

III. Note-taking Tools & Avoiding Plagiarism

Why good note-taking is important

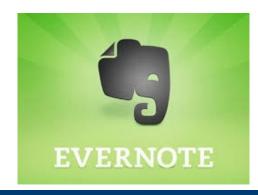
- Bolster your argument
- Avoid inadvertent plagiarism
- Save yourself time and trouble when creating citations



Begin with proper note-taking

- The first step in avoiding plagiarism and giving proper documentation is to cultivate good note-taking habits.
- There's no one right way to do it. Pick a method that works for you and be consistent.
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"America today has veered too far in the direction of formal testing without adequate consideration of the costs and limitations of an exclusive emphasis on that approach."

HOWARD GARDNER, MULTIPLE INTELLIGENCES: THE THEORY IN PRACTICE 179 (1993).

Paraphrase Version 1:

America has now gone too far toward formal testing, without realizing the costs and limitations of exclusively emphasizing that approach.1

¹Howard Gardner, Multiple Intelligences: The Theory IN Practice 179 (1993).

Better Paraphrasing

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"America today has veered too far in the direction of formal testing without adequate consideration of the costs and limitations of an exclusive emphasis on that approach."

HOWARD GARDNER, MULTIPLE INTELLIGENCES: THE THEORY IN PRACTICE 179 (1993). Paraphrase Version 1: In the United States, the education system places too much emphasis on formal testing, overlooking the limitations and expenses imposed when that assessment strategy is employed exclusively.¹

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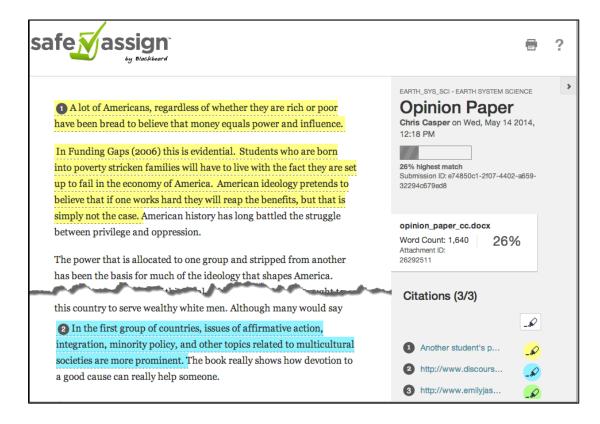
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 Linda Grant De Pauw, Women In Combat: The Revolutionary War Experience, 7 ARMED FORCES & Soc'Y 209 (1981).

Nonconsecutively paginated journal:

• Jeffrey Goldberg, *The Case For More Guns (And More Gun Control)*, ATLANTIC MONTHLY, Dec. 2012, at 68.

Newspapers

Print:

• Elisabeth Bumiller & Thom Shanker, Equality at the Front Line: Pentagon is Set to Lift Ban on Women in Combat Roles, N.Y. TIMES, Jan. 24, 2013, at A1.

Electronic:

• Elisabeth Bumiller & Thom Shanker, *Pentagon is Set to Lift Combat Ban for Women*, N.Y. TIMES (Jan. 23, 2013), http://www.nytimes.com/2013/01/24/us/pentagon-says-it-is-lifting-ban-on-women-in-combat.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0.

Books

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• CARRIE B. DOUGLASS, BULLS, BULLFIGHTING, AND SPANISH IDENTITIES 137 (1999).

Work in Collection:

 Paul Waldau, Second Wave Animal Law and the Arrival of Animal Studies, in Animal Law and Welfare: International Perspectives 11, 15-20 (Deborah Cao & Steven White, eds., 2016).

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