LRC Research Training

Corrections & Sentencing
Fall 2023

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What we will cover

• Specialized resources for researching sentencing and related topics
• Locating materials (print and electronic, law and non-law)
• Note-taking tools and citation managers
Selected Materials on Sentencing
Guides & Treatises

Federal

• United States Sentencing Commission: Federal Sentencing Guidelines Manual (HeinOnline)
• Federal Sentencing Law and Practice (Westlaw)
• Law of Sentencing (Westlaw)

• California

• Rutter Group: California Three Strikes Sentencing (Westlaw)
• Rutter Group: Sentencing California Crimes (Westlaw)
• California Criminal Sentencing Enhancements (CEB)
• Felony Sentencing Handbook (CEB)
Websites: General

- United States Sentencing Commission; includes subpages for sentencing data and research reports
- Cato Institute: Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement
- The Sentencing Project
- Sentencing Law & Policy blog
Websites: Data & Statistics

• U.S. Department of Justice: Bureau of Justice Statistics
• University at Albany: Sourcebook of Criminal Justice Statistics
• National Archive of Criminal Justice Data
• National Center for State Courts: Court Statistics Project
• National Criminal Justice Reference Service
Locating Materials: Books
USD Library Catalog (LRC and Copley)

**USD’s online catalog** find items located in both the LRC and in the Copley Library collections.

- Remember that the catalog can be used to find not just materials in our print collection, but it also provides direct access to materials in our subscription databases, and it also links to websites!

- You can search **USD’s online catalog** from LRC’s homepage
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Other Libraries:
- [San Diego Circuit](#)

The law and policy of sentencing and corrections in a nutshell / by Lynn S. Branham
(distinguished visiting scholar, Saint Louis University School of Law)
Branham, Lynn S., 1955- author
PRINT BOOK | [2017]
Available at LRC Reference Reserve Materials (KF9728 .B73 2017)
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E-BOOK | 2017
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The Oxford handbook of sentencing and corrections / edited by Joan Petersilia, Kevin R. Reitz
PRINT BOOK | 2015
Available at CL Camino Lower Level (HV8708 .O94 2015)
[see all]

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San Diego Circuit

• USD is a member of a library consortium, the San Diego Circuit.

• Borrow materials from SDSU, UCSD, Cal State San Marcos, & the San Diego County & City Libraries.

• Greatly increases the universe of materials that are accessible to you!

• Delivered to LRC in 24–48 hrs.—pickup at Circulation desk

• **Access:** You can link to the Circuit catalog through the USD catalog (click on the hyperlinked Circuit logo) or go to: [http://circuit.sdsu.edu](http://circuit.sdsu.edu)
Interlibrary Loan (ILL)

• If you can’t find an item at USD or through the Circuit, we may be able to get it through interlibrary-loaned from another library.

• Check WorldCat and make a request on the LRC’s website or come ask a reference librarian.

• Delivered to LRC anywhere from 3 days to 3 weeks—make your request early!
Locating Materials: Scholarly Articles
Law Articles

• Lexis
• Westlaw
• HeinOnline
• Google Scholar
  o Make sure Google Scholar is connected to USD when searching off campus; ask a reference librarian for details.

• Unpublished or forthcoming
  o SSRN
  o Bepress
Articles from Other Disciplines

Major interdisciplinary databases to consider:

• Google Scholar
• Academic Search Premier
• JSTOR
• Sage Premier Journals
• Web of Science
Copley Library Databases

Find the best library databases for your research.

225 Databases found

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This database provides access to art and architectural history scholarship by making newly-released and born-digital publications as well as key backlist and out-of-print titles on a wide variety of subjects more broadly available and more widely discoverable through deep tagging on images and text, a robust image search that directs users toward relevant publications, and an interactive online reader tailored for highly illustrated works. The platform also permits professors to create course packs for students. The collection includes content from other university and museum publishers (Yale University Press, Art Institute of Chicago, The MIT Press, Harvard Art Museums, Yale University Art Gallery).

**Abstracts in Anthropology**: Abstracts in Anthropology covers a broad spectrum of significant, current anthropological topics from a vast number of periodicals. Online coverage from 2001 to present.
Note-Taking Tools & Citation Managers
Note-taking apps

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- Dropbox
- PowerNotes
- Google Drive
- Microsoft OneNote
- Box
Document AND citation management

Typical features include:

- Free or premium upgrade
- Web, client, mobile apps
- PDF storage & annotation
- Cloud & local storage
- Web content capture
- Citation style (“bibliographic utility”)

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ChatGPT is not good at research!

- Generative AI tools use large language models (LLMs) to simulate conversations.
- 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
- LRC Guide to ChatGPT & Other Generative AI Tools for USD Law Students
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Zoom appointments by request
In-person
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Fri: 9am-5pm
Sun: 12pm-4pm

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