

Instructional Videos at Ohlone College

FAQ

Q. What is the Ohlone College Instructional Video Collection?

A. The Ohlone College Library instructional video collection consists of over 2,100 videocassettes and DVDs on a broad range of subjects. Intended for classroom use, the videos' subject matter supports the curriculum, and the collection includes both educational and feature films. Most of the collection is stored at the circulation desk in the Fremont library; some titles are held in the Newark Center LRC.

Q. Is there a catalog of available videos?

A. The instructional video collection is cataloged in HANS, the library's online catalog. For every video in the collection, HANS has at least the title, the running time, the date, the call number, and a series title, if there is one. Records with full Library of Congress (LC) cataloging contain much more detailed information, including subject headings. Full LC catalog records provide a rich wealth of information about each title, extensive cast and crew credits, running times, production information, and more. Since the records are subject- and keyword-searchable, all these types of information may be access points for finding material.

Detailed video record in HANS:

The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the HANS Holdings Information page for 'The Civil War [videorecording (DVD)]'. The page includes fields for Title, Publisher, Description, Format, Subjects, Notes, Performance Notes, Summary, and Other Author(s). Red arrows point from text boxes to specific parts of the record: 'Running time.' points to the '5 videodiscs (700 min.)' in the Description; 'Subject headings.' points to the list of subject terms; 'Performers, Notes, Content summaries...' points to the 'Performance Notes' and 'Summary' fields.

The Civil War [videorecording (DVD)] /

Title: The Civil War American Documentaries, Inc., Florentine Films and Time-Life Video presents a film by Ken Burns ; producers, Ken Burns, Ric Burns ; writers, Ken Burns, Ric Burns, Geoffrey C. Ward ; director, Ken Burns.

Publisher: Burbank, CA : PBS Home Video : Distributed by Paramount Home Entertainment, [2004], c1990.

Description: Full screen version.
5 videodiscs (700 min.) : sd., col. with b&w sequences ; 4 3/4 in.

Format: Visual Material

Subjects: [Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865.](#)
[Military art and science--History.](#)
[Bull Run, 1st Battle of, Va., 1861.](#)
[Video recordings for the deaf and hard of hearing.](#)
[United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.](#)
[Confederate States of America--History, Military.](#)
Instructional videos (DVD).

Notes: DVD, 5.1 surround sound, digitally remastered.
Closed-captioned.

Performance Notes: Narrator: David McCullough ; voices: Hoyt Axton, Colleen Dewhurst, Laurence Fishburne, Morgan Freeman, Jeremy Irons, Derek Jacobi, Jason Robards, Sam Waterston.

Summary: An epic documentary bringing life to America's most destructive - and defining - conflict. Here is the saga of celebrated generals and the ordinary soldiers. A heroic and transcendent president and a country that had to divide itself in two in order to become one again.

Other Author(s): [Burns, Ken, 1953-](#)
[Burns, Ric.](#)
[Dewhurst, Colleen.](#)
[Fishburne, Larry.](#)

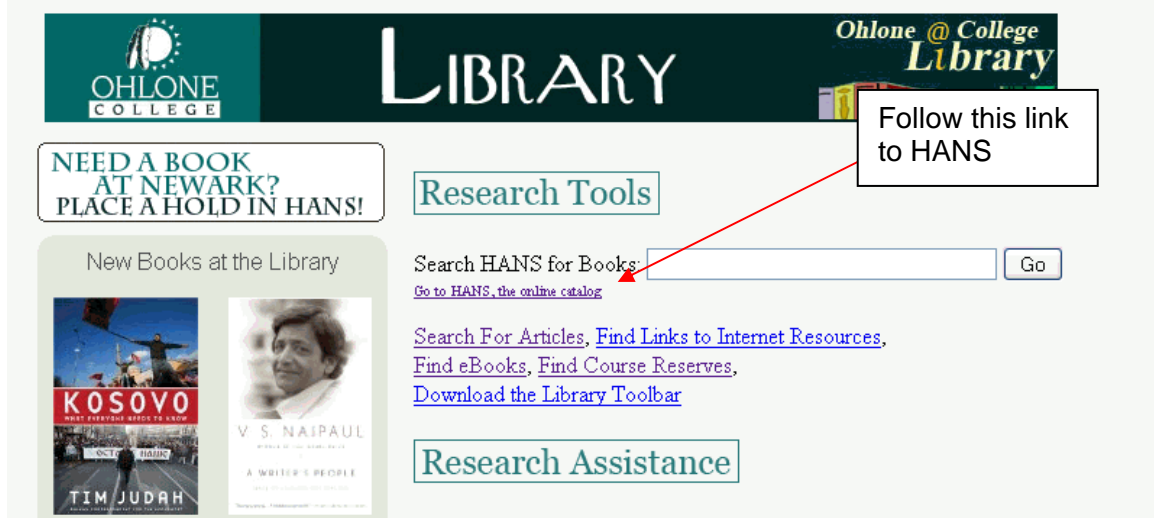
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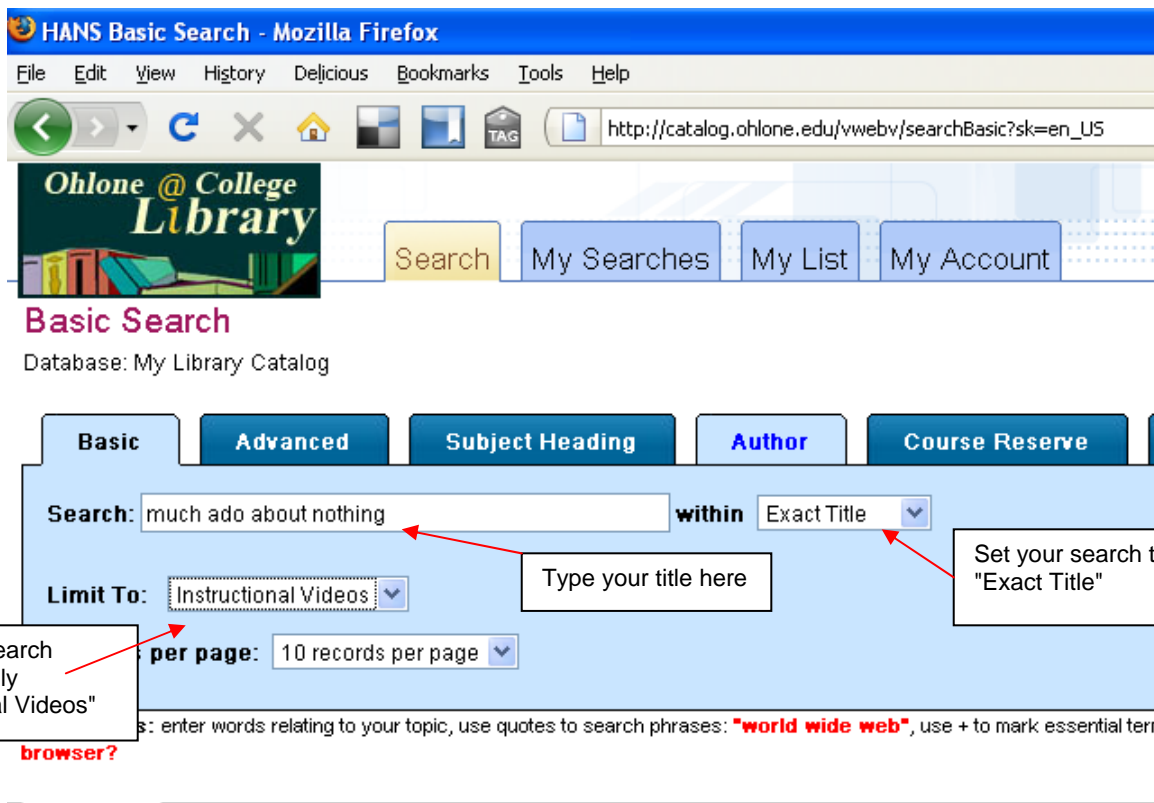
Performers, Notes, Content summaries...

Q. How do I know if the library has a particular video title?

A. The best way to find out is to do a search by title on HANS, the Ohlone College Library catalog. You can access the catalog by going to the library's home page (<http://www.ohlone.edu/org/library/>) and then clicking on the link to HANS.



Once in HANS, you can search for a specific video by Exact Title.



Q. How do I know what videos the library has on a particular subject?

A. You can search HANS by Subject Heading or by Keyword.

To Search HANS By Subject Heading:

Every video in the collection has the subject heading "Instructional Videos" assigned to it; videos with full LC cataloging will also have topical headings. To search by Library of Congress Subject Heading, use the Advanced Search tab to combine any topical LC heading with "Instructional Videos" as a second subject.

The screenshot shows the 'HANS Advanced Search' page in a Mozilla Firefox browser. The search results are for 'indians of north america' and 'instructional videos'. Callouts provide the following instructions:

- 'Start by clicking on the Advanced Search tab' (points to the 'Advanced' tab).
- 'Use "as a phrase" if you are using an exact LC Heading.' (points to the 'as a phrase' dropdown).
- 'Type any LC Subject heading' (points to the search input field).
- 'This should be AND' (points to the 'AND' dropdown between search terms).
- 'Set to "Subject"' (points to the 'within Subject' dropdown).
- 'Instructional Videos is your 2nd subject heading' (points to the second search term).

To Search HANS By Keyword:

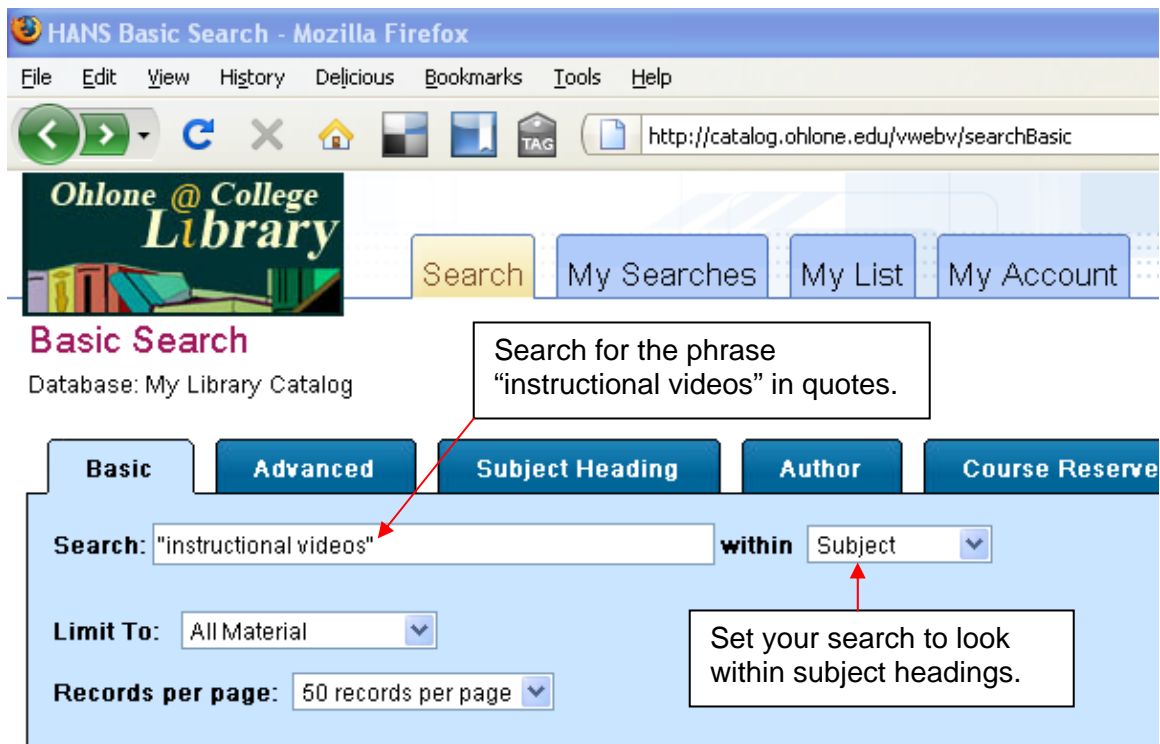
Instead of a subject heading search, you can also search by keyword, using the "Limit to:" feature to retrieve only Instructional Videos:

The screenshot shows the 'HANS Basic Search' page in a Mozilla Firefox browser. The search results are for 'advertising'. Callouts provide the following instructions:

- 'Type any keywords here' (points to the search input field).
- 'Limit to only see videos in your results' (points to the 'Limit To: Instructional Videos' dropdown).

Q. Is there a way I can pull up a complete listing of video titles from the catalog?

A. Yes, like this:



Q. How do I check out a video for use in my class?

A. Videos may be checked out at the library circulation desk. You may also reserve a video in advance by calling the circulation desk at x6160 or stopping by the desk to fill out the booking form. Because we allow advance booking, even if HANS indicates that a video is on the shelf, it may be reserved for someone else for the time you need it. Always call the circulation desk or come by the library to confirm availability for your class. Students cannot check out instructional videos, though they may view them in the Library. If you are going to send a student to pick up a video for you, please give the student a signed note, and call the library first to let us know.

Q. Are the videos captioned for the deaf or hard of hearing?

A. Many of them are, and we are working towards having the entire collection compliant with state law. As of 2001, we only purchase videos that are closed captioned. **Two places in the online catalog record will tell you if a video is captioned:**

Tsunami [videorecording (DVD)] : the wave that shook the world /

Title: Tsunami the wave that shook the world / a Pioneer Productions film for NOVAVWGBH and Channel 4 ; written and produced by Martin Williams ; directed by Lara Acaster and Alex Williams.

Publisher: [Boston, Mass.] : WGBH, 2005.

Description: 1 videodisc (ca. 60 min.) : sd., col. ; 4 3/4 in.

Format: Visual Material

Subjects: [Indian Ocean Tsunami, 2004.](#)
[Tsunamis--Indian Ocean.](#)
[Tsunamis--Southeast Asia.](#)
[Tsunamis--South Asia.](#)
[Video recordings for the deaf and hard of hearing.](#)
 Instructional videos (DVD).

Notes: DVD.
 Closed-captioned.

This item

[Record View](#)
[- Detailed \(MARC\)](#)

Actions

[- Make a Request](#)
 (e.g. Place a Hold)
[- Print](#)
[- Export](#)
[- E-mail](#)
[- Add to My List](#)

Captioned videos have this subject heading, and this language note.

Q. How can I tell if the video recording is in DVD or VHS format?

A. Both videocassettes (VHS) and DVDs are labeled as "visual material" and "video recordings," so it can be confusing to tell from the catalog whether a video is VHS or DVD. Since you will need to make arrangements for the appropriate type of playback equipment, it's important to check carefully to verify which format is available.

DVD records look like this:

Hamlet [videorecording (DVD)] /

Title: Hamlet by William Shakespeare ; directed by Kevin Kline and Kirk Browning.

Publisher: Chatsworth, CA : Image Entertainment ; [New York] : Broadway Theatre Arch 2001.

Description: 1 videodisc (173 min.) : sd., col. ; 4 3/4 in.

Format: Visual Material

Subjects: [Shakespeare, William, 1564-1616--Film and video adaptations.](#)
[Television plays.](#)
 Instructional videos (DVD).

Notes: DVD.

Performance Notes: Kevin Kline, Dana Ivey, and Diane Venora.

Other Author(s): [Shakespeare, William, 1564-1616.](#)

Look for "DVD" next to the title, In the Instructional video subject heading, And in a format note,

Q. Why don't you have any up-to-date videos on the subject I teach?

A. The development of the instructional video collection is driven almost entirely by faculty suggestions. If there is a video you need for your class, you usually need only to ask. Contact KG Greenstein at (510) 979-7580, or kgreenstein@ohlone.edu.