

Find Information on

Environmental Project @ your library

Step 1: Background Information

You may need to look up background information or definitions of terms to help you understand your topic better. For other background sources, search the [Library catalogue](#).

Online Reference

[Environmental contaminants encyclopedia](#)

<http://www.nature.nps.gov/hazardssafety/toxic/index.cfm>

Free online access from the US National Park Service.

[ToxFags](#)

<http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaq.html>

Online information about frequently asked questions related to contaminants at Hazardous Waste Sites from the US Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

The Canadian Encyclopedia *Historica*: available @ UG Library electronic reference.

The Habitable Planet: A Systems Approach to Environmental Science

<http://www.learner.org/channel/courses/envsci/index.html>

"The Habitable Planet" website, which was designed by Annenberg Media for teachers and adult learners who wish to learn more about current events in environmental science. The content on the site is divided into thirteen areas, which include oceans, water resources, energy challenges, and agriculture. Within each section, visitors can make their way through separate sections within the online textbook, and also view content that includes interactive labs, graphics, video clips, and specialized glossaries. Returning to the site's homepage, visitors will also note that they can view the content by type, which makes it a bit easier if they are looking for a specific video clip or visual feature. [The Scout Report 2008].

[Wikipedia](#)

www.wikipedia.org

Use the readings at the end of each article in this online encyclopedia to find good sources and expert opinions on your topic. These articles can be edited by the public and change frequently in some areas.

[Google Scholar](#)

<http://scholar.google.ca/>

Search with Google for only academic and scholarly articles reviewed by researchers in the field of study related to each topic.

Articles

Use a database to find scientific and scholarly articles on your topic starting with these at the UG library:

[Agricola](#)

[Biological sciences](#)

[Web of Science](#)

[Environmental Sciences and Pollution Management](#)

[Geography](#)

[Environmental Issues and Policy Index](#)

Current events

Yahoo News

CBC.ca

Canadian Newsstand – search UG library through PRIMO

Step 2: DVD's and Videos

An inconvenient truth : videorecording (Guelph) : [QC981.8.G56 I53](#)

Baked Alaska : videorecording (Guelph) : [QC984.A4 B35](#)

Crapshoot: the gamble with our wastes videorecording (Guelph) : [RA567 C73](#)

Global warming: the signs and the science videorecording (Guelph) : [QC981.8.G56 G563](#)

Global warming: drought and desertification videorecording (Guelph) : [GB611 G56](#)

Hot air: the Kyoto accord and the environment videorecording(Guelph) : [TD885.5.G73 H67](#)

Ontario's environmental bill of rights videorecording (Guelph) : [CA2ON EV 94O52](#)

Step 3: Magazines

Alternatives This magazine from the University of Guelph is a good source for Canadian and international current issues in environment issues and concerns.

E- the environmental magazine

Biocycle

Step 4: Legal Information, Laws and Regulations

[Drinking Water Systems Regulation - Ontario](#)

[Clean Water Act - Ontario](#)

[Canada's Clean Air Act](#)

[Environmental Acts and Regulations](#)

[Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency](#) : regulations and laws

[Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers](#) : press releases

Environment Canada: publications for Canadians on the environment

Step 5: Searching the Internet

The term "public websites" refers to sites that can be freely reached through a search engine. The links above this section lead you to "invisible web sites" that the library pays for, such as journal databases. Typically, if your professor tells you not to use web sites on an assignment, they are referring to public web sites.

When searching, remember to try alternate words for your topic. Learn more online - **Keyword Searching** video: <http://www.lib.uoguelph.ca/help/research/tutorials/#step3>

[Canada's aquatic environments](#)

an interactive educational website to promote awareness of Canada's aquatic resources - University of Guelph

[Environmental Performance Measurement Project](#)

A joint production of the Yale Center for Environmental Law and Policy and the Center for International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN) at Columbia University.

[Millennium Ecosystem Assessment](#)

[Scholarly societies project - University of Waterloo](#)

[Environment of the Great Lakes region](#)

[Greenpeace International](#) : current issues in conservation & protection

[Ontario Farm Animal Council](#)

<http://www.ofac.org/>