

Database Search Strategy Worksheet

N450 Cultural Assignment

<http://www.alverno.edu/media/alvernocollege/library/pdfs/N450worksheet.pdf>

Use this chart to identify some useful search terms:

Key Concepts	Synonyms, abbreviations or alternate ways of phrasing
1. Culture:	
2. Family relationships	Parent Child Relations, Family Relations, Family Attitudes, Parenting, Family, Interpersonal Relations, Family Conflict, Professional Family Relations, Marriage
3. Health and illness beliefs & practices	Sick Role, Illness Behavior, Health Behavior, Attitude to Health, Health Beliefs, Primary Prevention, Traditional Medicine, Complementary Therapies
4. Religious/spiritual beliefs & practices	Religion, Spirituality, Religious Beliefs, Spiritual Therapies, Religion and Medicine, Secularism, Faith, Hopefulness, Mindfulness, Prayer, Coping
5. Death and dying beliefs & practices	Attitude to Death, Bereavement, Terminal Care, Palliative Care, Terminally Ill, Decision Making and Death, Right to Die, Grief, Death Attitudes, Hospice Care, Burial Practices, Suicide
6. Other concepts:	

Search Statement: Use the terms from the chart to structure a search statement. Be sure to use the appropriate “Boolean” connector (**AND, OR, NOT**) and consider using subject headings to improve your results.

Search: List the databases or websites that you plan to search. Be sure to visit the Alverno Library’s website, <http://www.alverno.edu/library/>, to access our databases and recommended websites.
